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Related subject: Croome and Powick Divisions

Thank you for allowing me to comment on the review.

I am pleased to see that you have now amended your figures for the divisions of Croome and Powick. Both now do not require any adjustment; as they fall within your perimeters for no change needed.

A change of areas, such as splitting east west would damage the cohesive nature of the area and ruin the synergy of belonging. It is not unusual to find people have moved from Upton to Kempsey and vice versa. There is a sense of identity and belonging, please do not shatter it.

Croome is largely a rural Division, within its area are the villages of Kempsey, Severn Stoke, Kerswell Green, Kinnersley, Earls Croome, Boughton, Ripple & Uckinghall, Ryall & Holly Green plus the small river town of Upton Upon Severn. There are also various hamlets such as Green Street, Stonehall Common, Naunton.

Traditionally people in all of Croomes communities have looked towards Upton, this is especially so from Severn Stoke and all parts southwards of Severn Stoke. Although it must be said that those who live in Ripple and Uckinghall tend to regard Tewkesbury as their local town. Kempsey looks both to Worcester and Upton. But the mindset in Kempsey is emphatically a wish not to be joined with either Worcester, or artificially coupled over the river with Powick and Callow End.

There are no historic or cultural links with Powick and villages on the other side of the River Severn.

Please feel free to contact me if you would like to arrange a tour or if you have any questions.

Thank you for your time.

Regards
Cllr Martin Allen
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Attached Documents:

None attached