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**Related subject:** Long Ditton boundary proposal

I do not agree to the proposal to lump Long Ditton & Hinchley Wood, together and to separate the same from Thames Ditton. This seems an entirely political decision which takes no account of the views of the residents of Long Ditton. The proposed changes would separate the Long Ditton and Thames Ditton, communities which, are very closely linked and have been for hundreds of years. The Dittons (that is Long Ditton and Thames Ditton) have much in common and share and enjoy many local facilities. I live in Long Ditton, my son lives in Thames Ditton - the two areas comprise a single community, closely linked and joined at the hip by common usage and enjoyment of schools, village shops, recreational facilities. By artificially separating these communities you are separating friends and families and damaging a local ecosystem, built up over very long term. For all these reasons I oppose such a proposal and would strongly prefer for "The Dittons" to remain as a single local area. Long Ditton and Thames Ditton are not separated by any natural or man-made boundaries, the two dwellings merge seamlessly. In proposing such a split the Boundary Commission seems to have completely disregarded one of its three key objectives, namely maintaining community identity and interests.

Long Ditton and Thames Ditton are uniquely joined in name and location forming two halves of The Dittons. I therefore consider that Thames Ditton and Long Ditton should remain together as a single unit and that Long Ditton should not be artificially and for no good reason severed from its co-joined twin. I therefore oppose this suggested change.

## Attached Documents:

*None attached*