

Basildon Borough Council

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Dear Sir/Madam I am responding as the elected Member for Nethermayne Ward and also as the Leader of the Independent Group. I shall reply based on the proposed draft boundaries that are being submitted by Basildon Borough Council to the LGBCE. I only wish to alter the proposed boundaries between the new Nethermayne and Vange Wards boundaries. The St. Chad's polling district should be removed from Nethermayne Ward and be transferred to the new Vange Ward. By 2028, the new Vange Ward will have been down 10% on the target electors and Nethermayne Ward will be above 6%. By transferring St. Chad's back to Vange Ward will correct the 10% difference. Also, the numbers for Westley Green now stand at 736 electors and by 2024, it's on course to stand at 1,200 electors. Also, St. Chad's area of Vange is the main civic point for Vange. Remembrance Sunday Service for Vange is held here. That's why it must remain in Vange Ward. Also, by 2024, Westley Green will have a large enough population for Essex County Council to permit the new primary school to be built. The Council claims that there are only 500 electors. By 2024, it will be on course for 1,200 electors. As I write this reply, a by-election is being contested within Nethermayne Ward and 25% of the homes on Westley Green (which includes Clark Street) are not registered to vote and this is due them being built since the previous annual canvass of electors. Therefore, the Independent Group seeks to make the Vange Ward boundaries represent that community and also avoid a huge electoral imbalance. Yours faithfully Cllr. Kerry Smith C.C. Independent Member for Nethermayne Ward and the Westley Heights Division (Essex CC)

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