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Electoral Review 2022

Response from Horsmonden Parish Council to the LGBC Initial Consultation on Warding Arrangements

Horsmonden Parish Council (HPC) have reviewed the community identities and interests which we share with our neighbouring contiguous parishes / wards. These are summarised below.

Brenchley & Matfield

Primary schools – Horsmonden residents attend Brenchley school and vice versa.

Diocese – Limited connection with Brenchley and Matfield churches.

Medical facilities – shared surgery and pharmacy.

Dentist – Brenchley Dental clinic serves residents of Horsmonden.

Speedwatch – cooperation on use of equipment.

Pubs – *Halfway House* serves residents of Brenchley and Horsmonden.

Cricket – cooperation between Horsmonden and Brenchley clubs.

Allotments – Matfield allotments are used by some Horsmonden residents.

AONB – shared landscape and identity.

Lamberhurst

Primary schools – Horsmonden residents attend Lamberhurst school and vice versa.

Diocese – future plan for formal link and combined services with Lamberhurst church.

Emergency planning – cooperation during recent flooding emergencies.

Golf – Horsmonden residents use Lamberhurst Golf Club.

Pubs – *George & Dragon* and *Gun & Spitroast* have common ownership.

Fruit farming – historic connection with fruit pressing facilities.

AONB – shared landscape and identity.

Goudhurst

Primary schools – Horsmonden residents attend Goudhurst school and vice versa.

AONB – shared landscape and identity.

Paddock Wood (East & West)

Shopping – Horsmonden residents use Paddock Wood shops.

Travel – Horsmonden residents use Paddock Wood train station. Bus connections minimal.

Employment – minimal links.

Rural vs urban identities – different landscape and identity.

Pembury

Travel – minimal links (Horsmonden residents use A21 and bypass Pembury).

Rural vs suburban identities – different landscape and identity.

Capel

No significant connection.