

Chesterfield Borough Council

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Name: [REDACTED]: Chesterfield I have lived in the centre of Chesterfield for nearly 28 years. My husband and I came here originally for work reasons, but chose to live within walking distance of the town centre as we wanted to be able to access the local amenities on foot and feel part of the town community. We feel a strong link to Chesterfield town centre as over the time we have lived here we have regularly walked into town for shopping, leisure and cultural experiences which we have accessed as our four children were growing up. We object to your latest proposals for the changes to the Ward boundaries in the centre of Chesterfield for the following reasons: • The current proposal splits the Town Centre in two. We prefer the proposal made by Chesterfield Labour Group and Chesterfield's MP to create a central Ward for Chesterfield Borough Council. This would be the first time in more than a generation that everyone who lived in or close to Chesterfield Town Centre are brought together in one Ward. • This is important because we, like all the other people who would live in this new central Ward, have strong links to Chesterfield Town Centre. We all live a comfortable walking distance or on a direct bus route of less than 10 minutes journey time from the centre. • Consequently, we access essential services such as GP practices in the Town Centre and shop there, as well as sharing similar concerns around parking and transport that will be different to the priorities of more suburban areas such as Brockwell. • Another reason why we chose to live in/close to the town centre is that we could easily access the cultural, leisure and entertainment that is provided there. We tend to use the town centre library, cafes and bars, as well as Queens' park, that we can access on foot, as opposed to more out of town facilities. Those of us with small children will have very different experiences to people who live within easy walking access of Holmebrook Valley park, for example. • The housing we live in is similar: i.e. primarily Victorian / Edwardian villas with some small pockets of more modern in fill. This is a very different type of housing to the late twentieth century housing to the West of the proposed new Brockwell Ward which makes our lived experience quite different to people in Brockwell and Loundsley Green. We are very much an urban rather than a suburban area. • We feel there is a strong sense of community among those people who identify with the town centre as we have described above and therefore we should come together in one Ward.

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