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Speke-Garston seems to be a massive area, and cressington very small. As someone who lives near to the boundary of the two wards, I believe that it would be of greater use for the area of Garston referred to as the village, and the 'under the bridge' area was merged into cressington ward. Given that there is a massive 'no man's land' in the middle of the Speke-Garston ward, populated by retail and industrial units, there is very little link between the communities of Garston and Speke, whereas Garston and Cressington (including Grassendale) are a continuous community. The dividing line between our wards are so unknown that people are constantly addressing the wrong councillors about issues, and indeed some issues cross the boundary line. I have lived within both wards, and yet I feel I've only lived within the one community. We all consider ourselves garstonians, but whilst I now live in Speke-Garston, my parents live less than half a mile away in Cressington. I don't consider that I live in the same community as Speke, though. In fact, there is an argument to say that the two communities pride themselves on being separate. A lot of people feel that the Speke-Garston partnership from years ago forced the two communities together in the eyes of the council, but this is not a natural symbiotic relationship between the communities.

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