

## Derby City Council

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## Boundary Commission



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I would like to thank the Boundary Commission on behalf of the Labour Group for the work that has been put into the process so far. The Labour Group and I support many of the proposals, in fact it is very much on the edges that we would like to see change. Apart from Heatherton Village, which I will touch on later. Please accept these comments as a formal submission from the Labour Group.

## Sinfin

If I can, I would like to start in the area I represent Sinfin. The Labour Group and my fellow ward councillors support the two-member ward of Sinfin and also Osmaston becoming part of the new Crewton, Wilmorton and Osmaston Ward. What we strongly feel is that Osmaston should not be split. The area of Osmaston is an historic area of Derby mentioned in the Domesday Book. Historically it is the home of Rolls Royce and should not be split. It goes without saying that Osmaston Park also being outside of the ward that carries its name is not ideal.

I also understand that this is not the intention of the Boundary Commission, like you, we have poured over the numbers to try and get them to fit into the parameters of 10%. The Labour Group, local councillors and residents agree that if there is an occasion when you can step out of the 10% parameter this is one.

If an area was needed to compensate then the area in Blagreaves over Goodsmoor Road could be used, a triangle of Stenson Road, Goodsmoor Road and the railway line which includes West Croft Ave, East Croft Ave, Southcroft and Nicola Gardens could be used.

## Heatherton Village

In the same way as Osmaston is an historic part of Derby, so is Littleover Village. Again, named in the Domesday Book it is a vibrant part of the city. Heatherton, close to where I also live, is not an historic part of Derby. It is very much a new estate, mainly built in the 1990s. It has many new residents from outside of Derby who work at the major manufacturing sites in and around Derby, plus second and third generations of families who moved to the inner city of Derby from the 1950s onwards.

It has a distinct feel and with the introduction of single member wards, such as Alvaston Village, it very much a different area to the rest of the historic Littleover village. Local residents support it and we would like the Boundary Commission to consider it, I have attached a couple of working examples that have been done by the city council.

## **Blagreaves**

The Labour Group supports the reuniting of Sunnyhill in the Blagreaves Ward as do many local residents.

## **Arboretum and Normanton**

Mainly the Labour Group supports the proposals, the local Cllrs have submitted changes that we as a Labour Group support in the boundary between Arboretum and Normanton. Arboretum School should remain in the Arboretum Ward. The areas they both cover justifies three-member wards.

## **Abbey**

Again, the Labour Group support the proposal to reunite much of the AB5 polling district into the Normanton Ward. Anyone who walks these streets cannot fail to note that no boundary exists between this part of Abbey and Normanton.

In the same way we support the old Kingsway Hospital coming into the new Abbey Ward. This area is new build and just like Heatherton Village has no links to the historical Littleover Village.

## **Breadsall Hilltop, Oakwood Chaddesden East and West**

Whilst the Labour Group thought that the North East part of Derby should lose a Cllr we are happy to accept the changes with several two-member wards. We would like to see a minor change that brings in the actual place of Breadsall Hill into the ward named Breadsall Hilltop.

The main road, A608, is officially called Hilltop. As it stands this is included in Oakwood ward. So, the actual Breadsall Hilltop is not currently proposed to be in Breadsall Hilltop ward. The Labour Group supports the proposal submitted by Councillor Martin Rawson.

For the rest of the wards the Labour Group and I support the Boundary Commission draft proposals.

Finally, once again, I would like to thank the Boundary Commission for the work they have done and if any clarification is needed, please do not hesitate to get in contact.

Yours sincerely



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## Heatherton Options

