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Dear LGBCE, I disagree with the proposal to make Coalway Road part of the Graiseley. This is for several reasons. Firstly, Penn Ward has similarities with Merry Hill, Tettenhall Regis and Tettenhall Wightwick, these three already being recommended by the LGBCE and local council to remain as they are. For this reason, Penn Ward boundaries should be maintained. Secondly the test around clear boundaries is definitely compromised as relinquishing both sides of the Coalway Road to Graiseley, and taking both sides of Goldthorn Hill and Coton Road to Blakenhall leave Penn Ward with no strong, clearly-identifiable boundaries. Thirdly, 'reflecting community identity' has been ignored. Penn Ward will lose its well-loved and only Catholic Church in our community. St. Michael's Church at the moment comes under Penn Ward and a lot of Penn residents are proud of this local community church. It will also mean the Penn Dental Surgery on 57 Coalway Road, first established in the 1940/50s, where many Penn residents over generations have gone for their dental needs, will no longer be part of the Penn Ward. The average number of electors in a Ward per Councillor is 3,175. The proposal to maintain Penn Ward as it is, will still leave Councillors with electors within the range of 10% of the average of electors over the forecast period of 2026. Finally, Penn Ward has some lovely shops like Tantastic and all the other shops around it on the corner of Coalway Road. These shops are well used by local people and these nice unique shops are part of the 'Character of Penn Ward'. This community shopping area fits in well with Penn Ward. Graiseley already having its own community shopping areas. Thank you for taking your time to read our concerns. Yours Sincerely, [REDACTED]

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