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I strongly object to the Penn Ward boundary changes.

Penn Ward Boundaries should be maintained as they currently are.

Penn ward has similarities with Merry Hill, Tettenhall Regis and Tettenhall Wightwick and these three wards are already recommended by LGBCE and local council to remain as they are.

The test around clear boundaries is definitely compromised as relinquishing both sides of Coalway Road to Graiseley, and taking both sides of Goldthorn Hill and Coton Road to Blakenhall leaves Penn Ward no strong, clearly identifiable boundaries.

The other test around 'reflecting community identity' has been ignored. Penn Ward will lose the only Catholic Church, St Michael's, in our community.

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.

Penn Ward, Coalway Road, has its own community shops used by local people. Graiseley already has its own community shopping areas.

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