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I am a resident and elector in the Parish of Chart Sutton and therefore in the ward of Boughton Monchelsea and Chart Sutton. I understand the reason for the reviewing the current ward boundaries as the population has grown and shifted over the last twenty years and the number of councillors is to be significantly reduced.

In essence, I believe the current ward boundaries are fit for purpose. There are natural links between the two parishes that work well and the incumbent councillor, Steve Munford , works tirelessly for his ward and communicates extremely effectively.

I would therefore argue for the status quo. However , I realise the number of electors is insufficient in the light of the reduced number of councillors. To overcome this, I suggest that an electorate of 600 on the Joy Wood development be merged in our existing ward. This has the benefits of a) achieving the desired number of electors and b) maintaining a natural affinity within the ward as Joy Wood actually falls within the parish of Boughton Monchelsea in any case.

I strongly believe that such a ward will enable the current strong local government to continue and recommend that you build it in to your overall review of Maidstone

Regards

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