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I have no problems with the boundaries as such, except for the Alvaston Village ward which seems exceptionally small and with no forecast of growth. What I have an issue with is the number of councillors per ward. At present there are 17 wards, each with 3 councillors, 51 in total. This proposal has 19 wards, still with a total of 51 councillors. However what is the point of having 51 councillors when the city operates a Cabinet system which makes the majority of decisions, The current cabinet is 8 councillors who represent just 4 wards, that means that 13 wards are dis-enfranchised. It's unlikely that this will change dramatically with the new wards, whichever is the largest part will form the cabinet and will be from no more that 8 wards, so at minimum 8 wards will be dis-enfranchised. There should be 1 councillor per ward, and ALL of them should be involved in making decisions. Reducing the total number of councillors would also reduce the cost to the council taxpayer by thousands if not millions.

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No point in boundary changes when Derby City Council is run by a Cabinet of 8/9 Councillors, who probably only represent 3 wards. The other Councillors get very little say in decision making. Might as well make it 1 Counillor per ward, at least the 8/9 Wards would have some say in in the decision making.

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