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Dear Sir/Madam,

As a proud Wulfrunian [REDACTED], I feel I have a good knowledge of Wolverhampton, its people and its proud history.

With advances in technology and suchlike, I think councillors' time and workload should be far easier than it would have been when the wards and number of councillors was originally drawn up.

Whilst we have some very hard working and committed councillors, there are also a few who are surplus to requirements and they contribute little to the city.

I believe 20 wards is too many for a city of this size and would recommend reducing this by half.

Furthermore, I don't see why we need three councillors for each ward and think two good councillors would cope with the workload, even if the area they are responsible for is doubled.

There are some clear and obvious 'coupling' of wards, such as Wednesfield North and Wednesfield South, so many of my new proposed boundaries would be a natural fit.

My recommended new areas are as follows;

Wednesfield North with Wednesfield South
Bilston North with Bilston East
Ettingshall with Springvale
East Park with Heath Town
Bushbury North with Fallings Park
Bushbury South & Low Hill with Oxley.
Tettenhall Regis with Tettenhall Wightwick
St Peters with Park
Penn with Merry Hill
Graiseley with Blakenhall

All of these are currently adjoining and would sit well with the residents, I believe.

The difficulty in transitioning these, whilst at the same time reducing the number of councillors could be done by firstly, electing one councillor from each Ward, then by merging the two wards, thereby saving the problem of parochial voting.

I should finish by saying that I favour no political party and am completely separate from the council, although I have dealings with councillors and officers on a regular basis.

I do think any changes or reviews should be conducted by someone with complete impartiality and not employed by the city council.

Regards

