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I am writing to support and congratulate you for your creation of a Westdene and Hove Park Ward although a better name would be Tongdean Ward as there are roads named Tongdean on both sides of Dyke Road Avenue.

I was born near the top of [REDACTED] in Westdene nearly 78 years ago when the area was known as Tongdean and my wife and I have lived for the past 34 years in [REDACTED] Brighton within the Tongdean Conservation Area which encompasses properties on both sides of Dyke Road Avenue. Prior to this we lived in [REDACTED] and before I was married I resided in [REDACTED] both roads close to Dyke Road/Avenue and in Hove Park Ward. From Valley Drive I attended Brighton, [REDACTED] now [REDACTED] in Hove Park Ward. Our two sons attended what is now called [REDACTED] in [REDACTED] just off [REDACTED] in Hove and our two daughters attended the brownies in the [REDACTED] well used by the community on both sides of Dyke Road. We live in the parish of this Church and are on the parochial church roll. The parish extends to both sides of the Dyke Road/Avenue. For shopping my wife and most of my neighbours use Waitrose or Tesco Express in Hove Park Ward.

We are fortunate to have an excellent bus service along the Dyke Road/Avenue from Westdene to the City centre and beyond and this service 27 is frequent and well used by residents of Hove Park and Westdene. We get on the bus at the Hill Brow bus stop which is on the Brighton side and return home by getting off the bus at the Tongdean Road bus stop and cross the road as so many others do to return home. I say all this to illustrate how my friends and neighbours on both sides of the Dyke Road/Avenue are one community with exactly the same interests and I am confident will be pleased to be united in the Westdene and Hove Park Ward. For example I am currently in Withdean Ward and there is no connection at all with the Surrenden and Balfour communities on the east side of London Road!

Please can you acknowledge safe receipt

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