

## Shropshire Council

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I am pleased to hear that the boundary commission wants to see single member electoral divisions. I live on the edge of Craven Arms and would like to see Craven Arms and surrounding area a separate division and Church Stretton and area a separate division each with one elected member. The two towns are quite different, Craven Arms has a diverse population with a significant minority ethnic population, unusual in rural Shropshire and a huge asset to the community. There is also a traveller community with their own particular needs and a section of the community suffering from high levels of deprivation, which I am familiar with as a former governor at the local school. This has been recognised in the past with the school qualifying for grants in national projects recognising the extra resources needed to meet some children's complex needs. Church Stretton is a very different community with a population which is generally more affluent with a high proportion of older people which brings its own challenges. The needs of the two towns are therefore very different and it must be very difficult for elected members to be able to support and relate to each one effectively. The answer is for them to be separated as electoral divisions so that the elected member can home in on the specific needs of each town and give effective representation.

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