

South Tyneside

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The West Park Ward has a few significant and locally well known boundaries that would likely cause confusion, or upset residents if they were altered.

The first being the northern boundary as it abuts with Simonside & Rekendyke, along a metro line - at the moment a consultation is about to get started that will consider closing the bridge along West Park Road to vehicles, further separating the wards.

The second being the eastern boundary of King George Road, a wide avenue with a grassy tree line strip running through the middle. Normally ward boundaries along roads cause confusion to both residents, and sometimes, canvassers! But this one make complete sense due to the distinctive change of housing stock, and expansive space between both sides of the road.

The unusual boundaries that cause much confusion with residents, is the snaking between streets between Dean Road and King George Road. I would say Sunderland Road up to the and before Westoe Rugby Club would make better sense.

Another area of confusion is the western boundary, and as councillor I get a lot of casework from unsuspecting Stanhope Road residents in the Biddick & All Saints ward, and even some as far as Boldon Lane.

For me, and most residents, West Park is not associated with the area around the Park, but just what people have come to know as the Ward.

Most likely down to our 'West Park News' literature that is regularly delivered across the ward.

Attached Documents:

None attached