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The Parish council has put their views succinctly and I wish to endorse their views completely: The idea that Brinkburn and Hesleyhurst should be in split into different divisions resulting in Hesleyhurst being part of Rothbury in North Northumberland and Brinkburn part of Longhorsley in Castle Morpeth, increases my need to object to the proposals.

I wish to align my views with that of the parish council in all the following respects:

There are many arguments for Brinkburn being within the Rothbury Division as our natural affinity is with Coquetdale. The Boundary Commission proposal appears to be purely concerned with electoral equality across the County and takes little cognizance of our current socioeconomic situation, our strong cultural and community identity, community provision, and effective local government.

The PC believes that a move into the Longhorsley division would have a detrimental impact on our daily lives, This includes our:

- Relationship and position as an important part of Coquetdale; historically, culturally, and socially. Topographically BHP lies within the Coquet Valley.
- Health, Care & Well-being services. Our doctors and other health services are mostly situated in Rothbury.
- Schools and Education. Nursery and first-school provision for many of our families are provided in Coquetdale.
- Shopping and community provision which for many is centered around Rothbury
- Links with the National Park.

- Highways provision. The B6344 is the spine that runs the length of the Coquet Valley which is maintained by NCC Northern Highways
- For those who work locally, this is mostly within the Coquet Valley
- Local government, the County Councillor for Rothbury strongly supports the people of Coquetdale. Local Government in the Longhorsley Division has few links if any with Coquetdale. Brinkburn & Hesleyhurst Parish Council is an active member of the Coquetdale Cluster of Parishes

Attached Documents:

None attached