

# Tandridge

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## Comment text:

To whom it is applicable

I am emailing to object to the proposed changes of ward boundaries within Tandridge DC.

I am a resident of Harestone Ward for nearly 30 years. It has a distinct character compared to the rest of Caterham and its wooded and semi rural environment is the key attraction for its residents.

This is in contrast to the neighbouring wards and merging Harestone Ward with its neighbours will dilute and be detrimental to the character of this much loved locality.

The proposals will also remove several wards in Caterham and Whyteleafe which will reduce the number of councillors representing this area and less than the south of the district.

This will impact the representation of Caterham to its detriment. This is an important factor as many of the Godstone and Oxted wards are represented by independents who reflect nimbby policies and so direct development to the more populated areas that are already overstretched.

This is not democratic and gives more weight and representation to such groups and areas.

Please reconsider the new boundaries and wards and divide the councillors more fairly between heads of population/voters, having due regard to the character of the wards that they are currently representing.

With kind regards

[REDACTED]

Caterham Harestone resident

## **Attached Documents:**

*None attached*