

County Durham

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Comment text:

Hi

Further to call this afternoon and issues uploading comments online please find these below to be included

My family and I have been residents of Burnhope and Lanchester for 16 years. We now live in the Maiden View estate which is part of the Greencroft Parish and also contains Willowburn Hospice.

We fundamentally disagree with the proposed boundaries for Lanchester. Our lives are centred around Lanchester. This is where our child goes to school, where our church is, where we shop, where our doctor is and where we chose to purchase a house. When we consider how local and national political decisions are taken we are reviewing how they affect Lanchester. Our house is within a few minutes walk to the centre of Lanchester - closer than others which are being considered as within the Lanchester boundary. I understand that boundary lines must be drawn somewhere but it would be a very hard press to find anyone in the locality who would believe that our interests would be best represented by a councillor representing Consett centre and wider Consett area who have different focus and requirements to ourselves. It is a completely different community. If needed the number of representatives for Lanchester should be considered rather than moving Greencroft to Consett. I noted a comment re Burnhope also not being part of the Lanchester area - there are very strong links between the two areas in terms of business, doctors, churches and this should also be considered. The council are claiming here to be doing what is best for representation. If this is the case please then do this - ensure boundaries represent the areas in which people actually live and are part of the community of. Do not redraw arbitrary boundaries and create areas where there will then be unrepresented populations. I would be happy to be involved in any further discussion on

these points

Best Regards

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Attached Documents:

None attached