

Derbyshire

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Related subject: Erewash

Currently all boundaries work very well in Erewash. It is felt they are very clear and understandably.

Ilkeston have 3 Councillor and they are divided in a sensible way which is easy for residents to understand (North, West and east)

Long Eaton have 3 Councillors with clear areas staying together. Long Eaton which is the centre of the town with clear boundaries and a community identity. Derby Road West which again has clear boundaries to the east with the Erewash and the north and west following Longmoor Lane which are also boundaries of the Long Eaton conurbation and is clearly understood. Sawley and Wilsthorpe are two distinctive communities with Sawley having a parish council. Splitting either of these to communities up would reduce community feeling and would damage clear boundaries. The two areas together are part of the greater Long Eaton conurbation so it is sensible to keep them together.

Sandiacre community view themselves separately from Long Eaton and has feeling that are closer to a large village than a town. It isn't part of Long Eaton and by joining any part with Long Eaton would be a detrimental as it would feel like the area is being absorbed and will lose its independent identity and community feeling. Sandiacre as its own parish council, like Risley and Stanton-By-Dale. Risley extends along Derby Road and share this road with Sandiacre with it being the main road though each community and is well used to bring both independent communities together that share the same services like schools, shops, doctors, dentists and bus routes together.

Breaston Division again made up of 3 villages that share a main road which runs along the same main route. These communities again share

services together and are similar.

West Hallam Devision like before is a number of villages which are similar.

Looking at the number of electors there seems to be little to no change required in Erewash. I belive the best outcome for residents and communities would be to limit changes to minor ones along boundaries of each Devision to meet number only if absolutely necessary.

There us a danger that an attempt to mix the town in with villages will be done to Jerry mander for electoral advantage but will have negative impact on communities. Will have no clear boundaries and will be difficult for residents to understand.

Attached Documents:

None attached