

# Surrey

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## Comment text:

**Related subject:** Long Ditton

I oppose the suggested boundary change.

There does not need to be any need for a change, as the following areas are working well, and a boundary change seems costly for no apparent improvement.

Stokes Field Nature Reserve in Long Ditton is used by many in Thames Ditton

- Royal Mail identifies many addresses within Long Ditton as 'Thames Ditton' postal areas (e.g., Sugden Road)
- We share a Scout Group – The Dittons
- 'The Dittons Fair' takes place on Giggs Hill Green, in Thames Ditton
- Many Long Ditton residents visit Thames Ditton shops and the Farmers Market
- Both communities use the pubs in each other's locale (e.g., The Angel, The Limping Fox, The City Arms, The Ferry, The George & Dragon)

- The TDWGRA made a significant financial donation supporting the Village Green campaign in Stokes Field and One Tree Hill, Long Ditton
- Many Thames Ditton residents use the Long Ditton Green Belt land recreationally (as demonstrated via the Village Green survey)
- LDRA & TDWGRA officers often collaborate on various issues and are fully united against this proposed change
- Currently, one Surrey County Councillor serves The Dittons community as a whole
- Long Ditton and Thames Ditton are not separated by any natural or man-made boundaries, the residential dwellings merge seamlessly

We understand that The Boundary Commission's role is to consider three main criteria:

- Electoral equality
- Community identity and interests
- Effective and convenient local government

## **Attached Documents:**

*None attached*