

# Surrey

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**Related subject:** Hinchley Wood, Long Ditton and Thames Ditton

The proposed break-up of the Dittons division and transfer of Long Ditton to a new division with Hinchley Wood does not respect historic community identities and interests, would not promote more effective and convenient local government and would not even out disparities in the number of electors in the various divisions.

I understand that these proposals were put forward by one political party with no evidence provided by way of justification. One suspects that they were put forward to serve that party's interests by improving their chances of gaining seats in future elections. This attempt at gerrymandering is of course a wholly improper, and I cannot understand why the Commission seems to have gone along with it.

As far as the residents of the affected divisions are concerned, the current divisions work satisfactorily, and should be retained with only minor modifications as in the Commission's initial consultation, which was endorsed by Surrey County Council.

## Attached Documents:

*None attached*