

Kirklees

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I note that you are proposing to retain the number of councillors unchanged. If this includes the current number of councillors for each ward, then I would question the purpose of the review.

We only see our councillors at election time, if at all in our part of the ward. On this basis, I would question the point of having multiple councillors for those wards that have more than one, and would suggest that a reduction in councillors (and expenditure on their allowances) would drive efficiency savings and help alleviate the financial pressures the council faces.

I would also suggest the councillors should be more accountable to the public and should be mandated to provide regular updates of what they have done and why.

Finally, I would question whether or not a council the size of Kirklees is truly sustainable and/or good value for money.

The reason for my thoughts is that I have seen the council lurch from crisis to crisis, continue to spend money on schemes that many members of the public do not support, yet seem to be pet projects of certain councillors who refuse to listen to reason or the electorate's concerns.

Attached Documents:

None attached