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Related subject: The two proposed Cirencester seats.

I support the proposed boundaries but recommend renaming the two Cirencester Divisions to -

Cirencester Park Division to West Cirencester Division:

Reason: To alleviate confusion caused by the current name, which stems from the now-abolished Cirencester Park Ward on Cotswold District Council.

The current and proposed division contain the communities of Chesterton, the town centre and Watermoor. There isn't one clear community in the division.

The proposed name aligns with the geographic location of the division and minimizes confusion for the electorate.

Cirencester Beeches Division to North East Cirencester & Ermin:

Reason: The existing name has caused confusion due to its association with a relatively small part of Cirencester.

In parts of Cirencester there is confusion as to why the division is named after a different part of the town. In villages such as Birdlip, Cowley, Elkstone, Brimsfield and Winstone which look to Gloucester and Cheltenham rather than Cirencester the current name of the division is even more confusing as there is no recognition of what 'Cirencester Beeches' is.

The proposed name, "East Cirencester & Ermin," accurately reflects the geographic scope of the division, reducing confusion among voters. 'Ermin' is a recognised 'brand' as the Roman road Ermin Way runs through these villages and the district council ward is named 'Ermin Ward'.

Attached Documents:

None attached