

Thurrock

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Requesting special consideration for Tilbury St Chads and Tilbury Riverside and Thurrock Park.

Attached Documents:

- lgbce---labour-tilbury-submission.pdf

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To whom it may concern,

We hope this email finds you well.

As representatives of the Labour Members serving Tilbury, we are writing to request special consideration for both Tilbury wards from the Commission. We are mindful that currently, Tilbury St Chad's is projected to experience a variance of -12%, while Tilbury Riverside is expected to have a -1% variance by 2029.

Drawing from our collective experience representing the residents of Tilbury, we have identified particular social and economic challenges unique to our constituency. Through our casework over the years, we have encountered prevalent issues of unemployment, poor mental health, and high levels of deprivation among our constituents. Notably, data from Thurrock Council indicates that Tilbury casework constitutes 29% of the total caseload across the borough.

In light of these findings, we propose relocating Thurrock Park from the Tilbury Riverside and Thurrock Park ward to Little Thurrock Rectory. Additionally, we advocate for retaining Tilbury as two 2-member wards, despite the apparent electoral inequality.

While we acknowledge potential skepticism from the LGBCE, we wish to make a special case. Given our proposal to relocate Thurrock Park to Little Thurrock Rectory, we recognize that the variances in both Tilbury wards may indicate overrepresentation. Nevertheless, we firmly believe this should be upheld to ensure tailored representation for the residents of Tilbury.

Our decision is rooted in the evident levels of deprivation observed within Tilbury in comparison to the broader Thurrock area. We are confident that this adjustment would enable a more efficient and supportive approach in addressing the diverse needs and challenges of our community.

To provide further substantiation, our council's Public Health team has compiled a useful tool with additional data, accessible via this [link](#).

We sincerely hope that the Commission will consider our proposals and support us in ensuring adequate representation for the vulnerable and most deprived residents in Thurrock.

Should you have any thoughts or questions, please feel free to contact us.

Yours faithfully,
Labour Members representing Tilbury



Councillor Steve Liddiard, Labour Member representing Tilbury St Chads

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