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Attached Documents:

- woodvale-04.doc

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Dear Sir/Madam

Further to the proposal to change my parish from Cent Hills Worcestershire, to Woodvale, Bromsgrove and Redditch. I wish to express my strong opposition to this proposal

- 1) I have lived in my house at the address above since 1992
- 2) I feel that the community that I have very strong connections with is Belbroughton and Clent. I have meals at the Vine Inn in Clent, eat curry and other Indian food at the “Five Spice restaurant” Hollies Hill Belbroughton, and my late wife is buried in the graveyard of Clent Church
- 3) Children from this area go to Hagley School once they are 11 years plus. Hagley is a good well performing school. If this change was made, then children would have to go to a Bromsgrove school, either Bromsgrove North or Bromsgrove South schools. These schools unfortunately do not perform or have as good a reputation as the Hagley School has.
- 4) The area that I live in is a rural area. Woodvale the proposed area that we are due to be moved into is a built up area of housing estates. As a rural area, it is unlikely that our rural interests would be properly, if at all represented by Bromsgrove and Redditch councillors with a predominantly urban constituency in Woodvale.
- 5) Because we live in a pleasant rural area, and children in this area have access to a good quality state school, houses in this area are sought after and command good prices, If we are moved to Woodvale parish, then inevitably our properties would be less sought after and would substantially diminish in value. That could be seen as a vindictive act by the council, against the baby boomer age group, who are the majority of people who currently own houses in this area. Now almost no-one has a good word to say about this age group, despite the fact that, most of us worked hard all our lives. I was a General Practitioner doctor working for the NHS.
- 6) The supposed consultation which is legally require and should last many weeks, *is invalid and illegally managed* in this proposed change to Woodvale. I live in one of the affected properties and yet I received no notification of this, and only found out about it by accident.
- 7) Our polling station in Belbroughton is 1 mile away with traffic lights to cross the busy A-road. The polling station in Woodvale, is two miles away and a very dangerous right turn across the A-road where the cars have just come off the the M5, J4, or a 3+ mile diversion. Surely that is not good for reducing emissions.
- 8) Our area has been part of Belbroughton for Centuries. The road called “The Gutter”, by the side of my house, is mentioned in the Domesday Book (approx date 1067-1068).

9) The community meets with its MP and has meetings in the Belbroughton Church Hall, so we feel connected to this community and have absolutely no connection at all with the Woodvale community