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Comment text:

Related subject: Bellheath / Belbroughton

I strongly disagree with the change of area. After living as part of Belbroughton for over 20 years, my son has attended the village primary school and is now at Haybridge - just as his father did before him, who has lived in Belbroughton for over 50 years. We want our grandchildren to have the same school opportunities and the catchment area would change for primary & secondary schools. People pay a premium rate to live in these school catchment areas. There is also a free school bus so more cars would be on the roads with school drop offs and pick ups. We feel a part of the Belbroughton village community - attending Church & I also help decorate with flowers for Easter, Christmas & the annual Belbroughton Scarecrow Festival. We always enter a scarecrow as being part of the community . We attend Carols on the Green every Christmas and join in for Friends for Lunch in the Church Hall / Recreation Centre. I do Pilates classes in the village and my son has been a member of the Belbroughton Tennis Club since the age of 7 attending weekly lessons. We use the only shop & post office in our area in the village so again more car journeys to shops and more traffic on the roads. We annually enter the local Horticultural Show and I'm currently on the waiting list for an allotment in Belbroughton, as a resident so that would affect me. We always vote at Belbroughton Recreation Centre. Our area has happily been a part of Belbroughton for centuries. Our History society tells us so. We are rural with knowledge of narrow county lanes, bridle paths & rights of way (which we have through our property) and that mirrors the areas in Belbroughton & Clent. Therefore we all have the similar views as our neighbours of things locally that impact us and not the same views of people living in built up areas & towns. Our family Doctors is in Belbroughton so where would we need to change to? And again further travelling & more car journeys, more traffic. We are also worried that as we pay a high price to live where we do, we would lose out as house prices will reduce if not part of the well know 'affluent' area of Belbroughton. Would that also mean all our council tax bands be looked at, reassessed and reduced pro rata? I also disgusted that I only found out about this change by chance and felt it would have been more appropriate to contact each home owner beforehand in writing.

Attached Documents:

None attached