

Bradford

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Related subject: Bingley

I am a resident in Bingley Ward
Work

In my work capacity I am employed at a Bingley Ward Primary School. The School has developed important networks with other schools in the area where we try to collaborate and share good practice and effect successful transition from Primary to Secondary education for our pupils within and outside current Ward boundaries.

We also work closely with other agencies such as Early Help, In Communities, Social Services based in Bradford and Keighley and with our Local Councillors.

The proposed boundary change by Baildon Council will make a difficult job, even more difficult. The proposal does not seem to take into account the administrative problems caused by such boundary change in terms of who we now deal with and where they are based and how that will change in future. Having spent time establishing these networks I am concerned that we will have to spend further time, which we cannot afford in creating new partnerships and networks.

Within the changing face of education and the many and varied other challenges facing school staff , this detracts from our core purpose which is the quality provision of Education, Safeguarding and Welfare for our pupils.

Personal

On a personal level I am proud to live in Bingley. There is I know a sense of shared community pride amongst friends and neighbours who like myself value the character, identity and history of the town. I was brought up in the South of England, attended Bradford University and have lived in Bingley for 24 years. I enjoy being part of the community and wouldn't want to live anywhere else.

I feel that the Baildon proposal looks after the interests of Baildon, without considering the impact of the proposal on the other Wards involved. I am particularly concerned about the effects of the proposal on community cohesion and collaboration in Bingley which has taken years to establish and build up.

One of the reasons I moved to Bingley was the sense of history in the township which had been shaped by individuals and groups resident in Bingley over the centuries. I also feel that the outlying villages making up the current Bingley Rural have the same sense and pride about each of their communities. I note the aims of Criteria 2 in this respect and consider that the Baildon proposal ignores/disregards satisfying Criteria 2 in respect of the other Wards.

For the reasons given above I object to the Baildon proposal and would like to express my support for the previous recommended proposal.

Attached Documents:

None attached