

North East Lincolnshire

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I am the former [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Councillor from 2010-2018.

In my experience 3 member wards have a number of issues. This includes:

- 1) very large area which can make it difficult to get around.
- 2) lack of accountability to the local population due to the large area represented.
- 3) you often find that 1 or 2 of the councillors in a 3 member ward do very little and a lot is left to one Individual councillor.
- 4) as the most local form of democracy electors should have a closer relationship with councillors. This is not possible with large 3 member wards. This often leads to a suppression of the independent or personal vote and people just vote for a party. Smaller wards allow for truly local representation.

I would like to see the following changes:

- 1) ideally a much smaller one member wards to create greater accountability of the elected councillor. If you cannot do one member wards then at most two member wards.
- 2) respect the identity and boundaries of the towns of Grimsby and Cleethorpes. Do not mix the two in any wards.
- 3) Split Humberston and New Waltham into two wards and merge East Marsh and Wast Marsh.

Attached Documents:

None attached