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I had already given my views prior to the initial consultation but was disappointed to discover that the first draft seems to totally disregard those views. For clarity, I will repeat them again here but I suspect it will be all to no avail. Having worked for Darlington Borough Council for over 35 years (now retired), I realise that a review is necessary in order to reduce costs and equalise the ratio of residents to councillors. However, I believe that a natural geographical extension of Mowden Ward should include the impending development of Baydale Garden Village on Staindrop Road, which borders the existing Mowden Estate and follows the line of the Baydale Beck which runs through the ward. The developers of Baydale Garden Village have been working closely with Mowden residents and recently pupils from Mowden Junior School have been helping the developers in naming the streets/roads on the new development. I can see no mention of this development in the first review draft but I strongly believe that this should be included in Mowden Ward boundaries. Also, it would seem that properties in areas such as Craigmillar Park (currently within the natural scope of Mowden Estate) have been excluded in favour of Pierremont Crescent (currently in College Ward) which is some distance from Mowden and this does not seem to make any sense at all.

Attached Documents:

None attached