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Dear Sir

I am a resident of the Mowden Ward, having been here 22 years, and take a keen interest in local affairs. I understand the need for the review, but some of the draft proposals are baffling.

To include properties on both sides of Carmel Road North, rather than just the one side, makes sense. These houses, some newer, some slightly older, are similar in appearance, are nearer to the existing ward, and residents generally associate themselves with Mowden , not Pierremont, which is some way away on the main road into town.

Pierremont Crescent, Pierremont Gardens and Woodlands Terrace ae entirely different type of property, with different associated concerns. They are generally larger, Victorian builds, often converted into flats and bed-sits. Children from this area are more likely to attend Abbey or Reid Street Schools, again with no connection to Mowden.

I believe that to remove these properties, bearing the Pierremont name from Pierremont Ward would detract from the ward, cause confusion, and adversely affect the way the residents identify with the area.

The proposal indicates Carmel College as a natural boundary between Hummerknott and Mowden wards when citing the case for including Cardinal Gardens and part of Nunnery Lane.

If that is the case, then surely Broadmeadows, Whitemeadows and Clare Avenue - all to the north of the college-should also be considered as

part of Mowden Ward.

Graphically, this would provide a more clearly defined boundary

I ask the Commission to please reconsider the proposed boundaries thus:

That Pierremont Crescent, Pierremont Gardens and Woodlands Terrace remain within the Pierremont Ward

To consider the inclusion of Broadmeadows, Clare Avenue development into the new Mowden Ward

Yours Faithfully

Attached Documents:

None attached