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Comment text:

I write in response to the public consultation on proposed boundary changes for local council representation concerning the Heslington and Fulford area of the city of York Council.

Electoral equality is not just a matter of numbers, but also of the mix in that electorate. The overwhelming number of student electors (largely transitory) compared with the Heslington village and rural hinterland electors (largely long term residents) will lead to a perception of disenfranchisement with the village electors. This clearly relates to the criterion of community identity.

The imbalance within the electorate and the differing priorities and interests of the main identifiable groups will lead to a further imbalance in the time and effort the councillors can devote to the issues raised by the groups. This relates to the criterion for effective local government.

I fully support the proposal by the Heslington Village Trust and Parish Council concerning boundary changes which address the equality criterion, along with the issues I have raised above.

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Heslington resident

Attached Documents:

None attached