## **QUAINTON PARISH COUNCIL**

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Quainton is a rural parish 6 miles north west of Aylesbury.

Given this proximity to Aylesbury we consider it important to maintain the rural outlook of any ward reorganisation and would not want to be subsumed in an urban ward.

Quainton is currently in the elongated Gt Brickhill ward at its western extremity.

We have little affinity with the bulk of the ward being more closely associated with the neighbouring parishes of Waddesdon and Grendon Underwood.

We use a number of facilities in such as the Doctors in Waddesdon and share sports facilities with Grendon with whom there is also a joint drama group and a significant educational charity.

We are the only Gt Brickhill parish to be included in the Buckinghamshire Community Board of Haddenham & Waddesdon. This was at our request.

We use or share a number of facilities or activities with Waddesdon and Grendon Underwood such as the local GP surgery, sports facilities, a drama group and an educational charity.

Until the last Local Government boundary reorganisation we were in the same ward as Waddesdon and Grendon Underwood.

We would prefer any reorganisation to reflect this reality.

The current multi member constituency has, in our opinion, not proved ideal.

Prior to the unification of Buckinghamshire, we had one county councillor and one district councillor with clear responsibilities.

Since the May 2021 election there have been three county councillors but there has been a lack of focus and some confusion in resolving issues raised by the Parish Council.

We therefore recommend that there should be single member wards.

John Knox

Chairman

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