

North Tyneside Borough Council

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Although I no longer live in North Tyneside, I had until recently been a resident of Forest Hall, in the west of the borough, for seventeen years. At present, Forest Hall is divided between the Benton, Killingworth, Camperdown and Longbenton wards. This means that different areas of the town have different representatives on the council, but all of those representatives have a main geographic focus elsewhere, on the areas for which those wards are named. Forest Hall is a town which, despite its respectable size, clear boundaries and full-fledged commercial centre, has struggled to find itself on the map, figuratively or literally. It scarcely appears on road signage, and despite its status as the birthplace of the railways and location on the East Coast Mainline, it has not had any rail links for over half a century. Forest Hall is a town whose history and identity has been allowed to slip away, and has as a result been passed over and neglected for investment - in my opinion, an important part of restoring the status of the town is to grant it its own set of local representatives who can bring a new focus on Forest Hall to North Tyneside Council. To that end, I would support the establishment of a new Forest Hall Ward including the main body of the town as well as the Palmersville and Westmoor areas and the newly built White House Farm estate. I have included a map to provide a rough illustration of this. It is my hope that the LGBCE will take the chance to make the first step towards the restoration of Forest Hall's local identity. Thank you.

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