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To Whom it may concern.

Firstly I should like to point out that I was unable to effectively access the maps on your website let alone comment.

I should very much like to comment on the boundary for the Wingate Ward in County Durham.

I propose that Wingate, Station Town and Hutton Henry be considered as one electoral ward.

My reasons are as follows:

1. The communities of the three villages are considered neighbours.
2. Many families living in the three villages have done so for generations and rely on relatives resident in all three villages for child care reducing the need for state help and helping them to become more economically self sufficient.
3. Residents of all three villages rely on the facilities in Wingate for Education, Socialisation, Medical Care and Shopping.
4. Residents attend each village for Church services
ie. Wingate Church of England, Station Town Methodist Church and Hutton Henry Roman Catholic Church. The Two remaining open cemeteries accommodate all burials from the three local villages.
5. Wingate Welfare Park has facilities that are used by residents from all three villages
6. Both parish Councils work in partnership to bring services that benefit all the residents in the three villages e.g. currently jointly funding a monthly social for elderly residents who would otherwise be isolated and lonely held in Wingate Community Centre.
7. The name of the local Families Centre (Wingate and Station Town) identifies that it is for the local families and acknowledges the ties.
8. Many residents are employed locally in the three villages.
9. Station Town was established in South Wingate.
The local access road is seamless between the villages as are the local walkways and cycle routes.
10. The local residents of all three villages are supportive of each other they understand the challenges of living in an often overlooked area and would be appreciative if the established local ties could be formalised and have one local representative for the three villages

Please take my comments into consideration when deciding the new boundaries.

Thank you
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