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I believe that we should remain a one Councillor Ward. If we do not: We lose direct representation. We may never have a Councillor from Woldingham elected again and therefore our interests and needs as a community may never be as well understood or served. E.g. we have more rural concerns like worries about travellers, or many and complex planning issues, especially being greenbelt and AONB; we have crime (like everywhere) but the range of crime in an urban area is different from the range of crime in our area and so we focus on different things; issues surrounding large amounts of social housing are very critical for urban centres, but not so much for Woldingham (and there is no non-greenbelt space for more). To be elected, not a single one of those three Councillors would need our votes. They would need to make the majority happy and may focus on the more populous area on which they would rely for election. They would be focussing on extremely worthy issues, but not our issues, which means we would suffer a lack of effective democratic representation. In short, remaining a discrete ward makes sense and is the most democratic outcome. And Woldingham has near perfect electoral equality as a single Councillor ward.

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