

Wokingham

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Related subject: Finchampstead

Ref your paragraph 88 regarding inclusion of the whole of the Arborfield garrison development within the new Arborfield and Barkham Ward - I agree with this. This is bounded by Park Lane and Reading Road. However, I do not agree that the 'Eversley' area of Finchampstead has better road links with Arborfield and Barkham. Nine Mile Ride, especially with the new extension has far better road links with the Arborfield and Barkham ward. There is no safe walking footpath from this area to the new Bohunt school. The boundary between the Arborfield and Barkham ward and the Finchampstead ward runs through fields rather than along any roads and looks extremely arbitrary. The area to the West of Reading Road has connections with the Farley Hill area - through it being essentially farmland and the continuation of the Blackwater River. See my suggested revised boundaries attached. The number of electors in this area is small, so I doubt it would impact your electoral count much, and it would retain the rural communities in rural wards instead of them being added to an 'estate' ward.

Attached Documents:

- Boundary commission review March 2023.docx

The image shows a screenshot of a web browser displaying a map application. The browser's address bar shows the URL: `s3-eu-west-2.amazonaws.com/lgbce/Reviews/South%20East/Berkshire/Wokingham/Draft/Wokingham_D_SO.pdf`. The browser tabs include "The Telegraph - Telegraph Online", "Call of War - Game 6,862,054", "contractMapping.mxd", "Wokingham | LGBCE", and "Microsoft Word - Wokingham DF...".

The map application interface shows a map of Wokingham, Berkshire. The map is titled "contractMapping.mxd" and displays a draft map with various colored boundaries. The map includes labels for locations such as Farley Hill, Eversley, and Finchampstead. A small inset map in the top left corner shows the location of Wokingham within the county of Berkshire.

Four blue callout boxes provide specific instructions or observations:

- Keep in Arborfield and Barkham Ward**: Points to a boundary line in the northern part of the map.
- Transfer to Finchampstead South Ward**: Points to a boundary line in the central part of the map.
- Transfer to Swallowfield Ward**: Points to a boundary line in the southern part of the map.
- This boundary does not follow any natural or manmade features**: Points to a boundary line in the eastern part of the map.

The bottom of the screen shows the Windows taskbar with the search bar, taskbar icons, and system tray information including the date and time: 11:09, 23/03/2023.