

Tandridge

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Comment text:

I would like to object to the proposed changes to boundaries of the wards within North Tandridge District Council.
I am District Councillor for the Harestone Ward, and a Caterham Valley Parish Councillor.

I understand completely the desire to change the area to have 3 seat wards and the efforts that have been made to accomplish this. Unfortunately the solution for North Tandridge has resulted in a suggestion that fails to follow the both the way that Caterham Hill and Caterham Valley are separated both geographically and in terms of the way the communities live.

Residents in Caterham Valley in the Stafford Road area particularly are at a complete loss to understand how they can be part of a Caterham Hill ward, from which they are separated by a steep Hill and rarely have much contact with.

The division has also resulted in the more populated urban area of the District being under represented by Councillors compared to the more South Urban area of the District. This is important particularly at this time when there is so much need for housing in the District, and the rural area is mostly green belt. It is likely that housing increases will be centred in the more urban North, so the under representation will inevitably become even more unfair.

Since you have not followed the 3 councillor per ward with regard to two other areas, I hope that you can consider a different solution to this area that would improve the democratic fairness and geographic reality of your proposed solution.

I know that other bodies have proposed different solutions to you, all of which are preferable to the proposal, so I ask that you consider these alternatives impartially and carefully, and adjust your proposal accordingly .

Yours sincerely

Annette Evans

Attached Documents:

None attached