

# Northumberland

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**Related subject:** Hepscott and Morpeth

Based on what appears to be one of the commissions key decision criteria, “making sure councillors represent about the same number of electors, and that electoral division arrangements help the council work effectively”. It is more logical that Hepscott is incorporated into Morpeth. It is not logical to incorporate Hepscott into Choppington.

Hepscott community ties to Morpeth are very real and form one of the key tenants of the Hepscott community identity, with a very large proportion of its residents having devoted many years to Morpeth/Hepscott community facilities and activities. Therefore, it is obvious to local residents of Morpeth/Hepscott, that these communities should be part of the same division.

The geographical position and well-developed transport links between Morpeth and Hepscott have been central to the local people sharing facilities, such as parks, leisure centres, schools, churches, community centres and shopping areas.

Hepscott and Morpeth residents clearly share common neighbour issues which are being dealt with as common community priorities, for example the Morpeth feeder road traffic issues, river Wansbeck flood defences and land drainage issues.

## Attached Documents:

*None attached*