

County Durham

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Organisation Name: Witton Park Methodist Church (Member of the public)

Comment text:

Dear Boundary Commission,
Regarding the proposal to change the ward into a three-seat ward.

We feel that this area would be too large .

We are happy to support the two -seat West Auckland Ward, and so remain as we are. Considering that the area the two councillors serve, is already expanding due to the current housing developments in our area, we feel that this move that you propose would be very detrimental to the electorate.

The councillors elected know the communities they serve extremely well and enlarging this area would lessen their ability and knowledge of the local population and their needs.

Please accept this letter in support of remaining a two-seat West Auckland Ward

Yours sincerely

Mr. John and Mrs. Evelyn Swinbank

Attached Documents:

- Letter to Durham County Council_0.docx

Witton Park Methodist Chapel



09.07.2023

Dear Boundary Commission,

RE: West Auckland Electoral Division -Durham County Council

I am writing on behalf of Witton Park Methodist Church with concerns over the proposal of changing our area into a three seated larger, much larger, ward.

We feel that this is too large an area for effective council representation.

We have been well served and encouraged by the two local councillors that are currently in place.

By making it a much larger area would lessen the knowledge of the local communities.

The church has always been supported by councillors, in numerous ways, to encourage the community to participate in local events that we have held.

The need is great in this particular ward and community and to enlarge the ward would mean that the local people's needs will not be recognised and met.

Please reconsider the proposal of expanding the ward as we are better served by our two local councillors who know and understand the needs of the existing communities.

Please accept this letter in support of keeping the two seat West Auckland Ward

Yours sincerely

Evelyn Swinbank (Sec.)

