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Related subject: Silksworth

Farringdon and Silksworth Ward

I would suggest a minor change to the proposed ward name of Farringdon and Silksworth, simply to reverse the order as this better represents Silksworth as the larger of the two main communities.

This proposal is also supported by the council cross party working group, recognising that Silksworth, being the parish and a historical village, as well as Farringdon not existing under the old boundaries as it was subsumed within St Chad's and that this may cause great confusion to voters.

Turning to the proposed boundary of the ward, though Silksworth is the larger of the communities, this has now been split under the commission draft proposals with the Doxford Ward. Reuniting this community of Silksworth is supported by the council cross party working group – indeed it is the only boundary change that all parties are agreed upon, a rare example of co-operation and we hope that the commission can accommodate this proposal.

I would propose three options for the commission to consider as follows:

Option 1

Consider extending the boundary to take the electorate from Cambridge Road to Burdon Road, adding 1086 electors to the ward resulting in a

revised electorate of 9556 and 8% variance above the average (see streets impacted below). This decision will reunite the Silksworth community currently within the existing Silksworth ward. T05

Cambridge Rd Surry Ave Pembroke Ave Quarry St Orr Ave
Davison Ave Norman Ave Park Ave Emmerson Tr Byrne Tr West
Hill Brow Londonderry St Londonderry Rd Hill St Maria St
Robert St Lord St Aline St Quarry Rd

Option 2

In addition to above, consider including the following area Silksworth from the proposed Doxford Ward, resulting in a ward with 9724 Electors and +9.93% variance above the average (see streets impacted below). This proposal will reunite an additional part of the Silksworth Community and is supported by the cross-party working group (see the council separate submission).

Tunstall Vg Rd Fairways Cherrywood Gds Shoreswood Dr Redwood Gr

Option 3

In addition to above, for completeness and ensure a clear boundary to consider including the following streets from Ryhope Ward, resulting in a ward with 9797 electors and +10.75% variance above the average (see streets impacted below). This will allow a natural boundary between each of the other electoral wards.

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The community preference would be option 3, followed by option 2, and only if neither of these can be accommodated by the commission as viable to consider option 1. As option 3 is above the commission threshold, for the remainder of this submission our figures will relate to Option 2, as supported by the cross-party working group.

Attached Documents:

None attached