

Solihull

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Comment text:

I would like to oppose the proposition for the new ward boundaries.

Having lived in Meriden for 20 years, I understand the close and important links our village has to both Balsall Common and Berkswell. Both our children attended Heart of England school and were involved in activities based in both Meriden and Balsall Common.

Our main doctors surgery is based on Balsall and the services it provides are not available at Meriden surgery eg, physiotherapy service.

Balsall Common is our closest largest village with many more services and facilities and a community which is closely linked to Meriden.

To be placed into a ward that includes Bickenhill, Birmingham airport and Marston Green is not in anyway appropriate. We do not have any links to these parishes whatsoever.

The infrastructure and service offering for our village should and still needs to be linked with Balsall Common and Berkswell.

If you were to actually deliver a survey to all Meriden residents I am certain you would get an OVERWHELMING opposition and majority of residents would want the link with Balsall to be retained.

I am unsure how these proposals have possibly come about and cannot see what or how local residents have been consulted.

Asking residents to give their opinion will not give you much feedback BECAUSE the majority of residents do not even realise this change is being proposed. You therefore will not get much feedback - this is why I suggest you should have put a questionnaire through every residents letterbox. Then I am sure you would have had a much greater response - if you really wanted to consider how residents felt about this?

This decision could have a massive impact on our village and the future services we have access to and also infrastructure. Especially with the proposals for the future housing estate near the airport. And also with the proposed link to areas north of Meriden that have differing needs and differing communities.

I feel strongly that our village should retain our close links with Balsall Common and Berkswell and these must be retained within our ward.

Attached Documents:

None attached