

# North Yorkshire

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## Comment text:

**Related subject:** Green Hammerton Parish Council

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Boundary Commission response

Green Hammerton Parish Council have reviewed the proposals for the new boundary division. We are concerned the proposal does not meet two of the three criteria:

? Ensuring that the recommendations reflect community identity.

? Providing arrangements that support effective and convenient local government.

Our community does not share the same local issues and connections with those north of Knaresborough. Our community has shared interests with those rural villages closer to York, with access to employment, services and retail in this direction. Whereas the communities close to Knaresborough will have closer connections to Harrogate/Knaresborough.

The distances between the two ends of the division is physically long, a Councillor will need to travel quite some distance and time on country roads to be available to all their constituents.

Our community has shared local issues, connections and identity with Tockwith. It would be more reflective of our community identity and provide

more effective and convenient local government if Green Hammerton and Tockwith were within the same division.

We have reviewed the proposal put forward by the North Yorkshire Green Councillors group. We agree and support their proposal to form a Hammerton & Tockwith division. Alternative proposal below:

We trust you will take our concerns into consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Martin Simpson  
Chair Green Hammerton Parish Council

## **Attached Documents:**

*None attached*