

Wirral

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Given the number of councillors is to remain at 66, I would like to see more democratic accountability and I believe this would be achieved by having 66 smaller wards. Looking at the boundaries in the revised proposals there is very little change and that is a missed opportunity. If each councillor had a smaller geographical ward and fewer constituents they would be able to play a more active role in the local community and respond better to issues in the ward. At the moment there are a few councillors who bear the brunt of activity in the ward they represent. While the majority of councillors appear to sidestep their responsibility. Smaller single councillor wards would give the constituents a better deal. It would also have the potential for greater diversity. You may find more local candidates prepared to serve as a councillor if the wards were smaller and less onerous. Community leaders may well step forward rather than just political parties with candidates from outside the ward. This may well result in a council that is more reflective of the people in Wirral and potentially open up a wider skills base for the overall management of the council.

Attached Documents:

None attached