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Related subject: Whitehaven & Workington parliamentary constituency

We represent hundreds of members who are residents across the towns of Whitehaven, Workington, Cleator Moor, Egremont and surrounding villages.

Our colleagues in Workington have submitted some specific proposals regarding the proposed boundaries in the town.

We support some of the proposals but believe our own suggested boundaries in the town of Whitehaven make much more sense than what has been proposed, which seems to have been lifted wholesale from a Conservative Party submission and makes no sense in terms of maintaining coherent communities. We'd like the commission to look again at its plans for Whitehaven.

If the ward you're currently proposing to name 'Gosforth' remains in the same configuration in your updated proposals then it should be named Ennerdale & Wasdale after the two valleys which dominate it. Gosforth is a very small village in the ward which in the new configuration it makes no sense to form the basis of the name of the ward.

If the ward you're proposing to name Bransty & Lowca still includes Parton in your updated proposals then Parton should be in the ward name. It is the oldest of the three communities, is very established with a very strong identity and it isn't right that its name is not included.

If the ward you're proposing to name St. Bees & Sandwith remains in its current configuration in your updated proposals it should be renamed.

Sandwith is a very small village which it is odd to name in the ward while not naming much larger settlements with strong identities like Moor Row and Thornhill. St. Bees & Coastal or St. Bees, Moor Row & Thornhill would be better names.

Attached Documents:

None attached