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Related subject: Sherborne Rural/Yetminster

Longburton's sense of community is firmly aligned with Sherborne Rural, not Yetminster as has been suggested.

As a resident of Longburton, I strongly oppose any proposal to place us anywhere other than Sherborne Rural. In practical, everyday terms, Sherborne is the centre of our area. I travel there daily, whereas a return trip to Yetminster takes almost an hour and there is no reason for me to go there. Yetminster has no shops or amenities that serve our village.

Our community's links, services and day-to-day life are centred on Sherborne, not Yetminster. I am concerned that if Longburton were grouped with Yetminster, our needs and priorities would be overlooked. The people of Yetminster will naturally focus on Yetminster's own interests, and it is not a place with which we feel any real connection. It is a close-knit community, but not one of which Longburton feels part. Indeed, I am not sure many residents of Yetminster could locate Longburton on a map.

For these reasons, I strongly believe Longburton should remain within Sherborne Rural. Any other arrangement risks our village being forgotten.

Attached Documents:

None attached