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Dear reviews

I have been asked to by Cllr Mason, Ward Councillor for Ruxley Ward, to forward her submission to you on her behalf.

Kind regards

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Epsom and Ewell Warding Arrangement

I am the Ward Councillor for Ruxley Ward and have been a Councillor since 4th May 1995 without a break.

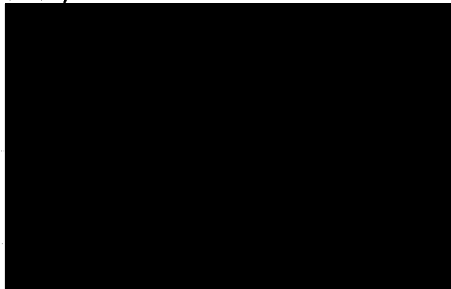
I am submitting a response in my role as Ward Councillor on behalf of my residents who have asked me to respond the Electoral Review on Warding Arrangements.

Having seen a proposal for Warding Arrangements being proposed by Epsom and Ewell Borough Council which was presented to Strategy & Resources Committee on the 12 July, I wish to object to the proposed division of part of Ruxley to West Ewell.

According to the Council's papers:

1. Currently Ruxley has 3 Ward Councillors with an elector ratio of 1:1568. With the proposed changes to Ruxley Ward, the ratio goes up to 1:1868 with 2 Members. The ratio the Council say in their paper is expected to be around 1:1854. Some of the changes to Ruxley is with properties moving to West Ewell. West Ewell is currently a 3 Member Ward with a ratio of 1:1587. With the proposed Council changes this will move to 1:1617 but will remain a 3 Member Ward.
2. I propose the area hatched on the proposed map for Ruxley (copy attached) stays in Ruxley and does not move to West Ewell. This is because for 60 years these roads have been part of the Ruxley Ward and community. They make the short walk to the shops, the Dentist, the Epsom and Ewell High School and the Doctors Surgery.
3. This part of Ruxley has no links with West Ewell which is 1 and half miles away but residents feel close to Ruxley through the use of shops Dentist, School, Doctors and the Church. We also have bi monthly meetings at the High School and it is the Polling Station for Ruxley. We also have a Youth Centre where our young people can attend and now a Skate Park and Playground at Gatley Green. This is where our many of the residents live and some work. In all that time they have received regular Resident magazines from their Councillors giving them information on what is happening in their Ward.
4. The following roads need to be retained in Ruxley Ward :
 - Nightingale Drive
 - Poplar Crescent
 - Larch Crescent
 - Hemmingsmead
 - Chessington Close
 - Poplar Farm Close
 - Oak Tree Close
 - Chessington Road from nos 398 onwards

In conclusion, delivery electoral parity across the Borough is important. However, reflecting the interests and identities of local communities is just as important. By retaining the area I have suggested, will help to retain that identity.



16th July 2021.

Ruxley

Potential Councillors: 2

Proposed Boundary No of Electors: 3736

Existing Boundary No of Electors: 4706

Proposed councillors calculated
as Proposed Electors / 1854

