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To whom it may concern

Last month a proposal was announced to change the ward in which we live. Grangefield is to be abolished and all of the estate will be in New Town. We disagree with this proposal.

We want A single member (councillor) Grangefield Ward made up of Grange Estate and Newham Grange Estate. This has strong links like bus stops, St Paul's Church, Grays Road Institute and local shops i.e. Sainsburys and the Grangefield local shop. We would also include Bramley Green Estate, Grangefield Academy, Stockton Cricket Club and Rugby Club, Stockton town football club and 1 & 3 Bishopton Road West. This is necessary to make the right numbers. Durham Road and Primrose Hill should join the town centre ward to make up the three member ward. They share the same bus routes, Hebron Hall Church in New Town, SHOPS, facilities and the housing is continuous. Grangefield has nothing in common with the Durham Road/Primrose Hill area end of New Town. The proposal is the only workable solution and is necessary to make the numbers work.