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Dear Mr Jackson,

Electoral Review of Canterbury City Council

I have been afforded sight of the submission made on behalf of the Conservative Councillor Group, Canterbury City Council in respect of the review of the Canterbury City Council's ward boundaries.


First I endorse wholeheartedly the sentiments expressed so very clearly in the Councillor's submission.

I would, however, wish to underscore particularly the concerns expressed about the proposals to split Herne and Broomfield ward in two and to split the Parish Council in two to create a new Herne Village ward and to create a new Broomfield Parish Council within a new ward of Wantsum (Hoath and Chislet).

I note that in the Parliamentary boundary proposals the suggestion that I made as an alternative to the Boundary Commission's proposals for Canterbury, North Thanet and South Thanet to split the ward of Sturry in two – a measure which would have obviated all of the infinitely more dramatic changes that have now been imposed upon us – I was told by the Boundary Commission that “we do not welcome the prospect of splitting a ward”! That appears to me to be precisely what the Local Government Boundary Commission is now proposing to do in the case of Herne and Broomfield.

I see no merit whatsoever in this proposal and would hope and expect that upon reflection the proposal will be abandoned.

With my best wishes,
Yours sincerely,


Sir Roger Gale MP
cc Cllr Rachel Carnac