

Sunderland

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RE: *Sunderland*

Plains Farm Residents Association is a group representing all of Plains Farm.

We have a constitution and we meet at locations on the estate.

We have been informed by our councillor of the proposal for St Chad's ward.

We are writing to speak against the inclusion of our estate in the St Chad's ward.

Plains Farm is not Farringdon. It is separated by North Moor Road, with a McDonalds complex and a large park between us.

Middle and East Herrington are miles away and we have nothing in common. Local children here go to school and youth clubs in Plains Farm, Humbledon and Tunstall. They go to school at Sandhill View, Thornhill or Southmoor. Maybe St Aidan's or St Anthony's.

Children from Silksworth are more likely to go to Farringdon comp as that is their catchment area.

Plains Farm belongs to the St Mary's Parish and Humbledon belongs to the St Nicholas' Parish. St Chad's is not an appropriate signifier for us.

Locally people refer to the top end and bottom end of Plains Farm. At the minute, the top end is in Barnes Ward and the bottom end is in Silksworth Ward. The people in the top end get a better service from their councillors than we get. The Silksworth councillors never come to our meetings and have no interest in the estate. We think this shows that Plains Farm is not really part of Silksworth or the areas further afield. Putting us in with areas miles away like Herrington would only make this worse.

Plains Farm is really cut off from Silksworth, Farringdon and Ryhope by Sainsbury's, the Range, the lake, the park, McDonalds and Tunstall Hills.

There is a Humbledon and Plains Farm working men's club where we have previously met and this serves all of Plains Farm and Humbledon and some come down from Tunstall - around Nursery Road etc. There are no similar locations that serve Farringdon and Herrington.

We have been shown the Tunstall and Humbledon alternative suggestion we think this is much better, but it should be called Tunstall, Plains Farm and Humbledon so we are recognised for once,

The good thing about this other Tunstall and Humbledon ward is that it recognises that Plains Farm is really the last suburb of the city centre before you start to get into the old pit villages.

All of our local services are orientated towards the city centre. Even though the Tunstall and Humbledon looks funny that is actually inclusive of all the places we would go if Sainsbury's and the Range are also added to it.

We are not convinced by what we have seen regarding St Chad's. We think this is a bad proposal and that it should be scrapped.

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