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Related subject: Bingley

I wish to object to the new draft proposal to split Bingley town into two, and also to split Cottingley. It does not make sense to me to move most of Bingley town centre, including the entirety of the high street, away from the majority of the residents of Bingley and into a ward for the villages of Harden, Wilsden and Cullingworth. Most of the issues which affect the town centre will be handled by councillors who are not the elected representatives of the majority of the local residents. In addition, Bingley town centre is likely to take up most of the attention of the councillors elected by the village residents.

I accept that it is inevitable that one community needs to be split to meet the ward size targets, but the new proposal splits two (Bingley and Cottingley) whereas the original draft proposal splits only one (Eldwick). As a resident of Bingley who often drives to Baildon, I do not accept that the road is often closed - is there any data on this as I can't remember the last time I was unable to use it.

I would like to support the original draft proposal as the new one is much worse.

Attached Documents:

None attached