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Dear Sirs

PROPOSED DIVISION
OF COTTINGLEY

I am totally against the division of Cottingley and feel to divide a village into North and South parts and then send one East and one West is pretty illogical.

When I first came to live at Brookside, in 1951, Cottingley was part of the Bingley Urban District Council, remained in the Bingley Electoral District after that Council was disbanded and has a Bingley postcode - it has never been allied with Shipley.

There is no part of Cottingley village that abuts Shipley district. Cottingley New Road and Cottingley Cliffe road are very clear boundary markers. Most of the area proposed to be transferred to Shipley is in a direct line with Bingley and has roads that lead directly down to Bradford Road, on the Bingley side of Cottingley New Road. The Roundhill area, which is being included in the Bingley Rural area, is the most easterly part of the village.

Logistically, due to Bingley By-Pass terminating east of Cottingley New Road, there is always a traffic jam through the day, before the bottle neck of Saltaire, (which is between Cottingley and Shipley

Cottingley and Shipley, so Cottingley people use Bingley or Keighley as shopping areas. Geographically Cottingley is nearer Heaton (Bradford) or Wilberden and Harder, than it is Shipley.

The division would see both Community Centres, (the Town Hall and the Parade Community Centre), represented by a district which has never been allied to Cottingley, and to and from which travel is not convenient.

Dividing a cohesive and community-minded village such as Cottingley, in the manner proposed, (or in any manner), would, I feel, be very wrong.

Has anyone from Blyth visited Cottingley, or are we now becoming a country where peoples lives are determined by the stroke of a pen, by people in "far-off lands".

If the division does happen, I hope each half of Cottingley will have their own polling station - but, at a time when Councils are trying to save money, I hope economic logic will prevail, and Cottingley remains united, (as it has been for over 150 years), and still attached to Bingley.

Yours faithfully and hopefully

