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Dear Sir/Madam

Bingley is in the above constituency and is where I live. I heard about some of the detailed work that went into drawing up the first proposals to make the different wards more equitable in numbers. These were largely accepted by the different parts of the constituency when announced. Then to hear there were new very different proposals on the table, impacting most of the communities involved, was a shock. I would like to put forward a few reasons why I'm against them, and particularly the proposal re Bingley town.
* Bingley is a proud town with a long history. It was in the Domesday Book of 1086 as 'Bingheleia'. It became a market town with the grant of a Market Charter in 1212 by King John.
*How can it be appropriate to divide the town and its community down the middle, on either side of the railway line?
* For the administration of the town and surrounding area, how confusing with half the town in 'Bingley Town' and half in 'Bingley Rural'. Or Bingley West/East, as has been suggested. And how would these new designated areas be governed locally, as Bingley Town, as is now, would be split into 2 different wards?
* I appreciate the task of the Boundary Commission is not an easy one, but the division of Bingley Town into two separate wards seems arbitrary to say the least, and with no proper rationale or justification, except as an alternative way of dividing us up to make the wards more equitable, but what damage will it do to the town of Bingley, this old historic town?
* These recent proposals seem to fly in the face of trying to cause as little upheaval as possible in our constituency. For Bingley and surrounding areas these recent proposals would mean a huge upheaval.
* I would urge the LGBCE to reconsider these recent proposals and adopt the previous proposals as amended in the letter accompanying the

petition.

Yours truly

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Attached Documents:

None attached