

Wakefield

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Comment text:

Related subject: moving of boundary for Glasshoughton and Castleford Central

You note in your comments that the Healdfield Road area has footpaths from their area to Ferry Fryston and Airedale and therefore have access. I kindly ask you to come along and walk this footpath, it is an unmade grass track which is not easy to walk on.

I Disagree with your proposal to move Healdfield Road and associated roads from current electoral area

1. Where would people now go to vote? There will be increased traffic / congestion for people to have to travel to vote
2. The Healdfield area has a "natural" barrier between this area and that of Ferry Fryston / Airedale by this area you describe as having footpaths, There is no association whatsoever with Airedale / Ferry Fryston, this area of Healdfield road is close to the Town Centre of Castleford not that of Airedale, it is over 2 miles to travel to the centre of Airedale, and only just over half of one mile to that of Castleford.
3. The area of Healdfield Road and associated roads off same, the councillors who currently represent this area know the area and the area has similar issues to the remaining areas in Glasshoughton and Castleford Central, the councillors within Airedale have no known association with Healdfield road and due to the natural barrier between Airedale and Healdfield Road area this will I am sure remain the same.
4. Have you sent out letters / other information to the residents of Healdfield Road and associated areas to inform them of this proposal? It is only by chance that an email has come through work that I have spotted this otherwise this would have been buried and the Healdfield Road would have been hoodwinked....

Currently there is nothing to agree with on the proposal.

Attached Documents:

None attached

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I notice that the boundary for the Castleford Central and Glasshoughton ward is to be altered or recommended for change.

I have the following items which I feel are not correct and therefore would object to the proposed alteration.

1. You say in the draft that the Healdfield area east of the cemetery will move to Airedale and Ferry Fryston. Why? This area is currently linked by road and footpath into Castleford town centre, there is one road in and one road out, think of it as a very big cul de sac.
2. You say there are footpaths from Healdfield area into Airedale and Ferry Fryston. I ask you to do a physical visit to this area and examine these "paths" you mention, Currently the area is open land made up of rough grass, brambles and old workings from buildings that had once stood on this land many years ago. It is not a safe route and only suitable to walk on when dry or if wearing suitable walking foot wear.
3. Currently for elections the polling station is within half a mile, easily walkable and accessible to all. Where will the "new polling station" be located? The residents I assume will have to travel by car or taxi (see above the rough ground) to travel into Airedale which the centre is approximately 2.4 miles (using the centre of Healdfield road to the centre of Airedale. How is this local and how can this be good for the environment?
4. Currently from Healdfield road using the above central position it is an approximate 10 to 15 minutes' walk into the town centre of Castleford, the residents of which I am one, associate being in Castleford and not in Airedale.
5. There is a natural barrier between Healdfield Road and Airedale. The two areas have differing issues and problems, the councillors for Airedale and Ferry Fryston will have to travel through Castleford Central and Glasshoughton ward to visit the residents and understand our problems, how can you ensure that they the councillors will give us the service that we as residents and have not elected these people that they give us the time to investigate issues as and when they arise.

6. When will the proposed housing development east of Healdfield Road take place? The footpath development has been talked about for several years and is still no further forward. In view of the current economic climate will these developments actually take place?
7. What do you mean by “given the need to secure good electoral equality”, there appears to be no equality for me as a resident of this area, I will be put into a ward and address that I do not feel is right and just, you are proposing that my polling station will alter and that there are adequate footpaths to Airedale and Ferry Fryston. I cannot accept that these are right and proper, no resident has been spoken too
8. Will the local councillors come and let the residents know of these changes, or are they and yourselves hoping that no-one reads the information and that you put the changes in on the quiet...
9. I OBJECT to the proposals I cannot see anything which is of benefit to myself in this draft.

Attached Documents:

None attached