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Proposed Jesmond Boundary Changes

I live in Lansdowne Gardens in Jesmond Vale. My daughter (a single parent) and two grandchildren also live with me. My daughter runs a bakery cafe on Clayton Road - the western side of South Jesmond. My grandchildren attend West Jesmond Primary School and Jesmond Park Academy. I have lived in Jesmond for over 50 years and within Jesmond Vale for 20 of those years.

I would like to object to the proposed Jesmond boundary changes for reasons below:-

All easily accessible Jesmond Vale Services are in Jesmond - doctors, pharmacist, swimming pool, dentist and main shopping area. We use these daily by walking etc. Three generations of my family are with the same GP there.

Jesmond including Jesmond Vale is an integrated community with similar needs and issues, for example the recent LTN affair. The Cradlewell underpass was planned and constructed to protect that connection and those needs.

The issues and interests facing residents and businesses within Jesmond are different from those in Ouseburn, Sandyford and Shieldfield.. I had a studio and worked in Lime Street in the Ouseburn in my younger days for many years. I know the walking and access issues to the area well. It may look close virtually but the routes to the area are difficult geographically. The footpaths in particular are poorly maintained.

Jesmond including Jesmond Vale are one community needing the same councillors for that electorate. I strongly object to the boundary changes and those proposed changes could be interpreted as gerrymandering.

Attached Documents:

None attached