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It is confusing that the number of DC councillors has allegedly been "decided" (38), yet the recommendations are inconsistent with that decision (proposing 39). Was the task not to conduct a review with the aim of hitting the prescribed target (in line with preferred principles)? Yet the report gives no detail substance about how that fundamental difference of expectation will be managed to resolution. (Hopefully not more review commanded, and delay before implementation.)

Sadly this exercise feels to me to be akin to 'rearranging the deck chairs on the Titanic'. Overall I perceive insufficient difference proposed to the framework to make me expect any real difference in action. IMHO, this is one piece of a bigger puzzle that all really needs simplifying more radically if it is to truly benefit the electorate through effective action and decision-making to address the issues actually and potentially affecting the area.

On a detail point based on my experience of residing nearby, I agree with the conclusion that Bishop Hall Road new estate aligns better with Ashby town than Blackfordby/Moira/Norris Hill villages. It is good that there is recognition of the importance of retaining the spirit of community origins and history in representative arrangements.

Attached Documents:

None attached