

# North Yorkshire

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## Comment text:

**Related subject:** Richmondshire

I live in the small parish of St Martin's which is part of the Hipswell Ward. I have been involved in local politics for some 35 years both county and district levels including town and parish. I have never seen a situation previously where members of the public feels so detached from those who try to represent them. The number of NYC councillors is in my view far too few to make the role both physically and administratively possible. I am very concerned that into the future the little parish that I represent is going to be subsumed into some larger beast and lose its identity completely. Ironically what is a very very small parish has in it a cinema a swimming pool a rugby club the station building some fabulous walks. it is quite amusing that most people think that all these facilities are in the town of Richmond when in fact they are not they are in the Hipswell Ward. So much for boundaries! I suspect into the future that that's small parish will become part of either Richmond or Hipswell, neither of which residents particularly identify with. I do hope that common sense prevails and a larger number of councillors are made available to the residents. Please do not move us to a wider footprint.

## Attached Documents:

*None attached*