

Solihull

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To whom it may concern.

We read with interest your recent letter on the proposed boundary changes to the Olton/Lyndon wards in the Solihull area.

To say that we are opposed to these moves would be an understatement. We lay out here the reasons for our objections:

1. There is a rich social conscience and connectivity within the Olton community that has been present for a very long time. The social cohesion that this creates cannot be underestimated and should be something to be encouraged in these times and not broken apart.
2. St. Margaret's school is an intrinsic part of our local community. Splitting its catchment area in two and creating another divide between communities is quite frankly mind-boggling.
3. We find the comments made by conservative councillors to be condescending, elitist and rude. They smack of a class divide and in short they may just have well have said that the plebs living on the other side of the canal bridge are not the sort of people that we want to associate with and, oh yes, by the way, we probably don't think they vote conservative anyway. (It all makes sense now as to why we never see a conservative councillor canvassing in the area at election time)./
4. The huge disruption and expense required to change addresses and online information to countless bodies and charities cannot be

underestimated. Add to this the fact that the catchment area has a very large elderly population who will find doing this extremely difficult and anxiety inducing.

Many local businesses will be affected by this decision and if the Tory councillors don't care about our vote, they may care about their business associates.

Yours

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Olton (Proud Olton residents for 35 years)

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Attached Documents:

None attached