

Solihull

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Related subject: Boundary Commission Consultation - Olton Ward

RE: OBJECTION TO PROPOSED BOUNDARY CHANGES AFFECTING OLTON AND LYNDON WARDS

I am writing to formally object to the proposed boundary changes that would move my property from Olton Ward to Lyndon Ward. As a [REDACTED] professional, a member of the [REDACTED], and a recent homeowner in this area, I am deeply concerned by the rationale presented for this change, particularly the remarks made by a Conservative councillor regarding a supposed 'topographical disconnect' between these wards.

The statement that entering the affected area feels "like entering a different county, let alone a different part of Solihull" strikes me as both misguided and offensive. Such a perspective not only dismisses the reality of the strong community ties between Olton and Lyndon, but also perpetuates an outdated view that implies a form of social hierarchy between these areas. The notion that one ward could be perceived as "lesser" than another is not only condescending but also harmful to the hardworking families who live in both areas.

Having purchased my property in [REDACTED], I chose this area because of its community spirit and the potential it offers for families like mine to grow and thrive. To have these areas disrupted by a boundary change based on what appears to be a superficial and elitist viewpoint is deeply disappointing. I believe such changes would undermine the cohesion and integration that already exist within this community.

It is my firm view that the proposed boundary change is detrimental to the residents of both wards, and I urge the council to reconsider this

decision. Furthermore, I believe that public representatives should refrain from making divisive and dismissive comments that create unnecessary social division, especially in a context that affects community wellbeing and identity.

I would like to be kept informed of any further developments and consultations regarding this matter. Should this proposal proceed, I will be highly disappointed in the council's decision to impose these changes on residents like myself, who value the sense of belonging in our current wards.

Yours sincerely,

Affected Resident

Attached Documents:

None attached