Member comments and submissions in response to the proposed warding arrangements

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Councillor John Payne	Prestbury	The proposed inclusion of Wheat Grove and Bushel Close is consistent with the boundary of Prestbury Parish. However, although Furrow Close is included within the new proposed ward of Prestbury on the map provided for the draft recommendations, it has been omitted from the draft recommendations document. The whole of Furrow Close should be included in Prestbury Ward.		Prestbury 4816
	Prestbury and Pittville	It is disappointing that the Commission did not resolve the situation at University of Gloucester Pittville Campus. Currently the ward boundary goes through the middle of the campus. Administratively it would be better if the whole of the campus was in Prestbury or Pittville. Therefore, I propose the whole of Pittville campus to be included in Pittville Ward. Boundary to go along the left edge of the field next to the campus, including the access from New Barn Lane and between the grass verge and pavement on New Barn Lane and Albert Road. See map – Appendix A.	Creation of parish ward (Prestbury). Will be in Tewkesbury Constituency for Parliamentary election	Pittville 4584
Councillor Suzanne Williams	Hesters Way and Springbank	I think the changes recommended to Village Road are a bit of a mess and would therefore like to suggest that Barlow Road, Village Mews, Wentworth Court and the properties between Welch Road and Dill Avenue are retained in Springbank Ward. These properties only have access on to Village Road, so for cohesion, it		Hesters Way 5138 Springbank 4844

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		would make more sense for them to all be part of the same community. See map – Appendix B.		
Councillor Julian Tooke		I don't think that the suggested changes to the boundaries make sense from a Pittville perspective.		
		The changes would make Pittville, which is already relatively too small, even smaller relatively to other wards. Pittville's has moved from having a variance of -4% to one of -7%. We should be adding areas into Pittville rather than removing them.		
		In the context of Pittville the boundary review has failed to meet its major objective (equalizing the ward size) and is making the situation worse.		
	All Saints and Pittville	I would suggest that the Commission rethinks its position on two key areas: 1) In order to reduce All Saints predicted variance of -9% to 1%, a large area south of Selkirk Street and east of Sherborne		All Saints 4507
		Street has been removed from Pittville. This is too large an area to be removed from the ward and the area could, if necessary, easily be split between All Saints and Pittville. For instance, Fairview Street could be included in All Saints and the remainder of this area could remain in Pittville. I propose Fairview Street and when reaching the top of Fairview Street from 22-31 Glenfall Street and the north		Pittville 4850 including changes above and below
		side of Glenfall Street from 21 to the east		

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		end of the street could remain in the proposed new All Saints Ward. The remainder of this area to be retained in Pittville Ward. There is a strong logic to keeping these more central areas within Pittville as other areas of Pittville already extend almost into the town centre. See map – Appendix C.		
	St.Paul's and Pittville	2) Clarence Square is one of Pittville's landmark locations and is clearly one neighbourhood. At present, 3 sides of the square are in Pittville and one side is in St Pauls (the south side coming off Clarence Road). It would be cleaner to have the whole of Clarence Road/Clarence Square within Pittville. See map – Appendix D.		St. Paul's 4768 including changes below (except the addition of area from St. Peter's set out below)
Councillor David Willingham	St. Peter's, St. Paul's and Swindon Village	1) The part of St Peter's to the north of the A4019 Tewkesbury Road seems to create an isolated community because the A4019 is a substantial segregating boundary, and I am not convinced that it makes sense to include this in St Peter's. This area should probably be part of St. Paul's or Swindon Village. Therefore, retain the current boundary line for St Peter's Ward – middle of Tewkesbury Road. Place the proposed area into St. Paul's or Swindon Village. See map – Appendix E.	Area is currently in Swindon Village Ward (Tewkesbury Constituency). The projected electorate will only apply if all new developments in Swindon Village have been completed by 2028	St. Peter's 5191 Swindon Village 5523 St. Paul's 5477 including other changes proposed
		The loss of Alstone Lane and Gloucester Road, also creates isolated communities, for example Pates Avenue. INCLUDE		

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	Lansdown and St. Peter's	B4633 Gloucester Road by following the current boundary along the Honeybourne Line until it reaches St George's Road. Therefore, disregard the proposed changes to the boundary from St. Peter's to Lansdown in the south west of St. Peter's to retain the current boundary with the exception of Malvern Road. See map – Appendix F.		Lansdown 4408 including changes below
	Pittville and St. Paul's	 Retain the current boundary for Wellesley Road to be in St. Paul's and disregard new proposed boundary to be included in Pittville Ward. See map – Appendix G. 		
Councillor Stephan Fifield	St. Peter's, St. Pauls and Swindon Village	 Boundary Change: The move of land north and south of Gardner's Lane into St Peter's Ward. Reason for Opposition This decouples Swindon Village from St Pauls. This would cause County Divisions to be recoupled and disrupt multiple well established divisions each with their own established communities. The border could very easily be redrawn to maintain the current divisions with no change in headcounts by adding the Animal Shelter and associated land back into St Pauls or in Swindon Village. The move of streets from Swindon Road southwards could still be moved into St Peter's dealing with the voter redistribution. 		

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-		See map – Appendix H.		
Councillor Graham Beale This feedback has been agreed by multiple Councillors representing: Up Hatherley, Warden Hill, Benhall & The Reddings and Park and Councillor Tim Harman for proposal No. 1	Warden Hill and Park	We refer to our earlier submission in the consultation stage, where we note some of our feedback has been incorporated, and others have not, resulting in substantial changes to the proposed boundaries of Warden Hill and Park wards. We are generally content with the Commission's latest draft as regards Up Hatherley and Benhall & the Reddings, but we have some concerns on the new proposals with regards to Warden Hill's 'sense of community'. However, we do understand the issues of numerical size of wards which have no doubt driven the content of the draft by the commission. We therefore propose some minor changes: 1) Move 2 houses 58 & 67 Merestones Drive from Warden Hill to Park ward for consistency with surrounding homes – and access to the polling station. This anomaly has not been picked up in the boundary adjustments proposed in the latest draft. See map – Appendix I.	These two properties are within Leckhampton with Warden Hill Parish. The residents were consulted when the Council carried out a CGR in 2017, and opted to remain in the Parish. Could consider suggesting that these two properties along with Highwood Avenue, Kenelm Drive and 78 to 106 Shurdington Road from Leckhampton Ward be	Leckhampton 4831 including changes set out below Park 4719 Warden Hill 4848

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		2) Change the name of 'Warden Hill' ward to 'Warden Hill & Bournside' ward. Given the proposed boundary for Warden Hill is elongated and now stretches across the communities of Warden Hill, Bournside and Lansdown. We are sure that residents in the north of the Ward will not feel part of Warden Hill. Therefore, we suggest a name change to better reflect the communities included within the proposed boundary. 3) Move the 'thin strip of land' on the Railway from Warden Hill to Up Hatherley Ward. This change would have no impact on residents but would significantly reduce confusion when it comes to case work - especially the tiny patch of Hatherley Road which could be viewed as a 'Warden Hill island' within Up Hatherley. See map – Appendix J. 4) The new boundary between Benhall & the	moved into Park Ward. Area needs to have 100 electors then a parish ward can be created (Leckhampton with Warden Hill). This would move 112 electors from Leckhampton Ward and with the 6 electors from the houses in Warden Hill Ward will add 118 into Park Ward	
		Reddings and Springbank is far too far north in		

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		terms of community, If we ever had to represent it from Benhall & the Reddings. If that boundary were to go due west from the northern end of Telstar way to the borough boundary, this would not move any electors from one ward to another, but doing so becomes important for the future, should more houses be built. See map Appendix K.		
Councillor Richard Pineger	St. Mark's	1. Adding the north side of Edinburgh Place is a good idea because it joins up Coates House with Elgar House. These two blocks of 20 flats each currently share a garden with a diagonal ward boundary through the middle of it. This never made sense. Also, given that the centre of the community around Edinburgh Place is the shopping arcade, Edinburgh Place road does not form a community boundary, and it makes more sense for both sides of Edinburgh Place to be in the same ward. This would allow the St Mark's ward councillor to more effectively manage the area including the litter, ASB and traffic problems. At the moment, the two sides of the road suffer from a markedly different approach as you will see if you visit. Accept the boundary change.		
		2. It would make no population difference to move the east side of Cheltenham Spa Station into St Mark's. This would mean that the whole station was within one county division, if, as expected, divisional boundaries continue to follow ward boundaries. Regardless, it would also keep both halves of the station together in		

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		one ward for more effective interactions with GWR and other partners. See map – Appendix L.		
Councillor Suzanne Williams	St. Mark's and Hesters Way	The proposals opposite Edinburgh Place are messy, and would suggest that if the numbers work, Laxton Road & Dowty Road remain in Hesters Way, but the relatively new build section (formerly Sochi Court), go into St Marks. Either that or leave them all in Hesters Way.	Access to Sochi Mews is from Laxton Road Refer to comments from Councillor Pineger	
Councillor David Willingham	St. Mark's and Hesters Way	The boundary of St Mark's with Hester's Way should be left as-is, or with the only minor tweak being to move Coates House from Hester's Way into St Mark's. I believe that this tweak should be <i>de minimis</i> in terms of its effect on the number of electors	Refer to comments from Councillor Pineger	
Councillor Tim Harman	College and Lansdown	Our main concern here is that the splitting Imperial Square, Montpellier Gardens seems to break up a community. This would isolate the community Montpelliier. See map – Appendix M.		College 4191 including below
Councillor Emma Nelson	Leckhampton and College	Move from Leckhampton Ward to College Ward area comprising Naunton Lane up to Churchill Road (including Badminton Close) so effectively taking the funny shaped part out of Leckhampton. This will increase the electorate in College Ward. See map – Appendix N.	This will move over 100 electors from Leckhampton to College A parish ward (Leckhampton with Warden Hill) will need to be created	