

Cheshire East Council

Proposed Response to the Boundary Commission for England Re: Revised Proposals for the North West

Altrincham and Knutsford Constituency

Cheshire East Council regrets that the proposed Constituency is not contained wholly within its boundary. The Council is also opposed to the proposed constituency crossing a Metropolitan County boundary and the mixing of Borough (metropolitan) and a County areas within one Constituency.

The Council does however note there were pre-1974 connections between Altrincham and Knutsford when Altrincham was then part of Cheshire.

The proposed change of name of the Constituency from “Altrincham and Tatton Park” to “Altrincham and Knutsford” is welcomed.

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Congleton Constituency

Cheshire East Council is supportive of the proposal for no change to this Constituency, which maintains existing community ties.

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Crewe and Nantwich Constituency

Cheshire East Council is supportive of the revised proposal for Audlem to be included in this Constituency.

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Eddisbury Constituency

Cheshire East Council is supportive of the proposal for Bunbury and Wrenbury to be included in the Eddisbury Constituency and for Audlem to be included in the Crewe and Nantwich Constituency.

Hazel Grove and Wilmslow Constituency

Cheshire East Council welcomes the revised proposal for all of the Wilmslow wards to be re-united within one Constituency. However, the Council regrets that the proposed constituency crosses the county boundary and mixes Metropolitan (Borough) and a County areas within one Constituency.

The Council is pleased to note that the revised proposal provides for Handforth, Wilmslow and Alderley Edge to be contained within the same Constituency which will maintain community links and identities.

The Council is of the view that a more appropriate name for this Constituency would be Wilmslow and Bramhall.

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Macclesfield Constituency

Cheshire East Council welcomes the proposal for the two Poynton Wards and Disley to be included in the Macclesfield Constituency which is a great improvement on the initial proposals which provided for these wards to be included in a cross border Constituency with Greater Manchester.

Whilst the Council's preference was for Chelford to be included in the same constituency as Knutsford and its environs, the Council accepts the proposal for Chelford's inclusion in the Macclesfield Constituency, given that its geographical location is mid point between the two towns.