

# Evidence submitted by members of the public to Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee concerning the Local Government Boundary Commission's draft recommendations for Sheffield City Council

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Evidence will be provided to the Commission in person by:

- Mr Jack Carrington
- Chris Morgan, Chair of Bradway Action Group
- Mr Alan Kewley (resident of Bradway)
- Mr Jonathan Harston
- The Reverend Julian Sullivan, St Mary's Church, Bramall Lane

Evidence provided in writing is detailed below.

## **Mr Jonathan Harston**

### **Walkley/Broomhill:**

At Sydney/Roebuck triangle, consider either:

- running boundary consistently so both sides of Roebuck Road are in Walkley or
- running boundary consistently along centre of road from Roebuck Road via Sydney Road to Commonsides

### **Crookes/Fulwood:**

At Carsick Hill top:

- As per my first submission, tweak the boundary between Snaithing Lane and Pitchford Lane so that the properties on Sandygate Road are in Crookes ward.

### **Fulwood/Ecclesall:**

At High Storrs the boundary can be a lot tidier, Highcliffe Road bridge to Bents Green: either:

- run boundary along Porter Brook and then stream running through Bluebell Wood to junction of Common Lane and Cottage Lane or
- run boundary along Porter Brook to Ivy Cottage Lane bridge, then via Ivy Cottage Lane to join proposed boundary along stream through Whiteley Wood.

### **Fulwood/Dore & Totley:**

Should Whirlow Hall Farm be in Dore & Totley along with the rest of Whirlow?

### **Dore & Totley/Ecclesall:**

Ecclesall Woods boundary is unnecessarily weird. It should run along Abbey Lane between Whirlow and Abbeydale

**Ecclesall/Sharrow & Nether Edge:**

Boundary along Brincliffe Edge should run along northern boundary wall of allotments/boundary wall of Brincliffe Edge Road as this is a much harder boundary (steep cliff) than the back of the houses on Bannerdale Road (pierced by many footpaths to allotments)

**Park & Arbourthorne/Gleadless Valley:**

Derby Street: boundary should continue along footpath between Litchford Road and Heeley Green, putting all of Derby Street properties in Gleadless Valley

Should examine putting Olive Grove in Park & Arbourthorne, though the addition of the student flats at Boston Street probably now makes this numerically impossible.

**Richmond/Woodhouse**

Between Handsworth Road and A57: follow rear of properties on Richworth Road to subway under A57 to make a neater shape.

**Foxhill & Chaucer/Burngreave:**

Between Herries Road and railway, run boundary along rear of properties on Penrith Road to footpath opposite Teynham Road south-west to railway line, to make a neater shape

**Names:**

- Sharrow & Nether Edge - should be Nether Edge & Sharrow
- Park & Arbourthorne - should be Arbourthorne & Park or Arbourthorne & Highfield
- Foxhill & Chaucer - should be Southey & Foxhill or Southey & Chaucer.

This preserves the ward name sorting order, preserves statistical continuity, and avoids problems that occurred in 2004 when some electors were sent incorrect polling cards for the ward that used to have their new ward's prefix code. (As I remember it, electors in ward T (Shiregreen) were sent polling cards for the old ward T (Sharrow).)

## Mr Anthony Smith

My name is Anthony V. Smith, and I am a resident of Bradway, Sheffield.

My comments are in regard to Bradway. Bradway is an ancient community, first mentioned in 1200. It is a linear community along an ancient highway and consists mainly of Upper Bradway and Lower Bradway. I attach an extract from the 1898 Ordnance Survey showing Bradway at that time. This illustrates how Bradway was one community, the nearest settlement was Greenhill, separated by nearly a mile of green fields. In the 1930s there was ribbon housing development along Hemper Lane which disguised the division between the two communities. It is understandable today that anyone without historical knowledge of the area will not appreciate that Bradway and Greenhill are still two separate areas, and Lower Bradway is still very much part of the rest of Bradway. The whole of Bradway was in the same Dore Ward until about 10 years ago. When without any effective public consultation we found that Bradway had been split apart, with the smaller section, Lower Bradway, being put into Beauchief. Two or three of us found out at the last minute and wrote objecting, I received a reply that it was too late to comment.

Recently I and a few other people wrote to the Council, urging that Bradway be united once again into the same Ward. I was grateful to the Council for understanding the request and recommending that Bradway should again be united.

It is with dismay therefore I find that the Boundary Commission states that there should be no change. It states that our links in Lower Bradway are to the east, that is Greenhill. This is utter rubbish, our links are with the rest of Bradway, I live in Lower Bradway. My children went to Bradway School. My wife is on the Committee of Bradway Community Hall. All our shopping is in the Bradway Shops only a short distance away. We are naturally members of BAG, (Bradway Action Group, which represents the people of Bradway). I have lived in Lower Bradway for 50 years, I know many people here and almost without exception they think that our connections are to the west, the rest of Bradway.

You will probably think that I am a fairly lone voice in writing about our Bradway, I don't think I am, it is because I ask other people in Lower Bradway if they have heard about these present boundary matters, no-one has heard anything about the review.

I do make a plea to the members of the Boundary Commission to think again and reunite all of ancient Bradway and have regard to our historical boundaries and not just look at these divisions as lines on a map. And to accept the recommendations the Council made with local knowledge.'

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