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From: Elections
Sent: 23 July 2019 14:57
To: [REDACTED] Elections
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places, Rosemount and Mile End Community Council.

Dear [REDACTED]

Many thanks for your submission in response to the above review.

The time for comment regarding the proposed UK parliamentary constituencies has now passed. Details on the review and the consultation periods that were held can be found here;
http://www.bcomm-scotland.independent.gov.uk/2018_westminster/index.asp

The Community Council Liaison Officer advises me that Community Council boundaries are not dependent upon the UK parliamentary constituency boundaries and that the implementation of revised parliamentary boundaries will not lead to a change or review of the Community Council boundaries. She advises that such a review only occurs where one is requested by a Community Council or if a full scale review is undertaken due to changes in communities.

Please get in touch if you need to discuss further.

Many thanks

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Elections Lead

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 21 July 2019 13:13
To: Elections <Elections@aberdeencity.gov.uk>
Cc: [REDACTED] **Subject:**
Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places, Rosemount and Mile End Community Council.

Dear Mr Bell,

I am writing this on behalf of Rosemount and Mile End Community Council. The Community Council area is comprised of the Mid Stocket and Berryden Polling Districts.

We are concerned that the proposed split of both Polling districts between the Aberdeen North and South seats will in time lead to the Community Council being broken up, as in the past Community Council boundaries have followed electoral boundaries, albeit years later.

The proposed split involves the area to the south of Westburn Road and east of Argyll Place, being split from the remainder of the Community Council area. The area to the south of Westburn Road and east of Argyll Place includes Victoria Park and Rosemount Place, the heart of the community.

We are aware that both the proposed Aberdeen North and South seats are close to the maximum number of electors allowed (78507), however is it not possible to adjust the electoral boundaries on the peripheries of the

seats, rather than split communities in the centre. The proposed Kincardine and Angus North seat to the south has only 72925 electors. Alternatively some other communities may be able to be moved without being split.

I hope you are able to address our concerns.

Yours faithfully,

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From: [REDACTED] [Elections](#)
To: Polling review
Subject: 22 July 2019 22:24:25
Date:

I would like to suggest an alternative to Braehead School in bridge of don as a polling place. I have previously suggested the 2 churches (St Columbas) and Bridge of Don community centre which are on the doorstep of the school, both of which offer space and accessibility. Also, the scout hall next to the Alex Collie centre may fit the criteria too.

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places
Date: 23 July 2019 14:23:08
Attachments: [image001.jpg](#)

Hi [REDACTED]

Thanks for forwarding this on.

From the perspective of the Returning Officer, I wouldn't consider that the proposed changes would cause any adverse issue for us given that this would mean that no part of the Aberdeenshire area would fall within the Aberdeen City area – assuming, of course, the revised boundaries come into effect.

Kind regards

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From: Elections
Sent: 25 July 2019 13:54
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places

From: Parent Council Riverbank School <pcriverbank@aberdeen.npfs.org.uk>
Sent: 25 July 2019 13:11
To: Elections <Elections@aberdeencity.gov.uk>
Subject: Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places

We refer to your published review of the polling districts and polling places and note that the polling place for Tillydrone is to remain at Riverbank School.

We write on behalf of the parents whose children attend Riverbank School to ask you to consider an alternative polling place in the area. Tillydrone has a community centre at the Diamond Bridge, St George's Church on Hayton Road and possibly the new Tillydrone Community Campus all of which are easily accessible to disabled voters and should be considered as an alternative.

Closing a school causes an unnecessary disruption in the education of the children and causes issues for working parents who either have to find childcare or have to take leave from work, potentially unpaid. Taking unpaid leave may be affordable in some areas, but in Tillydrone, where families have to use foodbanks, this could lead to further, avoidable, financial difficulties.

We do not believe that any school should be used as a polling place where there is a viable alternative in the immediate area.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Riverbank Parent Council