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The Electoral Review of Cornwall
The Boundary Committee for England
Trevelyan House
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Dear Sirs

UNITARY AUTHORITY ELECTORAL REVIEW OF CORNWALL

I enclose a personal submission regarding the above review, stage 1 of which is due to end on 21 April. As one of the Borough members for Gannel, my submission refers to the polling districts within the existing ward.

Both the submissions of the One Cornwall Joint Implementation Executive and Restormel Borough Council have proposed that the existing ward, with the exception of Crantock village (polling district MN) be split into:

- Division Newquay Pentire: Polling Districts 2- SSN and 3-SSN
- Division Newquay Central: Polling District 1-SSN (formerly in Gannel) to join Polling Districts 1&3 QQN

I support these proposals but as discussed below I feel some rationalisation between polling district 1-SSN and 2-SSN is necessary.

There is a conflict between the two submissions for Crantock village (Polling District MN - approximately 670 voters). In principle they agree that this should be treated as a rural village but the One Cornwall Joint Implementation Executive have proposed that Crantock be in the same division as its geographical neighbours (Cubert, Goonhavern, Mithian and Rose) while Restormel Borough Council suggests Crantock be included in a Division with the more distant Mawgan-in-Pydar and Colan.

I strongly support the Joint Implementation Executives proposals for the geographical solution – I feel the Borough Council proposal is impractical and will not be to the benefit of the people of Crantock. While there is a complication with Crantock being associated with parishes in another parliamentary constituency, the geographically adjacent parishes share common interests and, in practice, representation by a separate MP will make little difference.

I have consulted with the Leader of Crantock Parish Council – he is adamant that the village of Crantock should remain with its geographical neighbours on the north coast (Cubert etc) and feels that they share few interests with the Mawgan-in-Pydar parish which would dominate the Division proposed by the Borough. Representation by a different MP causes him no concern whatsoever.

Returning to the rationalisation of SSN1- Newquay Town Centre and SSN2 – Tower Road (i.e. Western Newquay), separating the two polling districts will give two divisions of odd shape with areas, isolated from the rest of their Division. I would suggest the following adjustments to “square off” the Divisions:

From 1 SSN to 2 SSN	Voters*	Comments
Fore Street	95	surrounded by SSN2 streets
South Quay Hill	10	access off mid Fore Street
North Quay Hill	5	access off west end of Fore St 12 of the 17 North Quay Hill voters already in SSN2?
Total	120	
Ennors Road	82	access from St George’s Road in SSN2 – could be in SSN2 if need to balance numbers in transfer.
Total with Ennors Road	202	
From 2 SSN to 1 SSN		
Estuary View	37	All these streets are in a self contained area naturally separated by the lower Tregunnel Hill, directly to south of 1-SSN and to the east of the rest of 2-SSN
Old Barn Court	42	
Tregunnel Hill	14	
Tregunnel Park	88	7 small streets in a mobile home estate
Total	181	
Gannel Road	26	Could include in Trenance?
Galleon Court	33	So far east, might be better in Trenance
Pengannel Close	29	“ “
Total (with streets in east)	269	

* 2007 figures

I believe that these proposals make logical sense and will provide better representation for the residents in the streets concerned.

Yours faithfully

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Dear Sirs

As Borough member for the Gannel Ward in Restormel Borough Council, I attach a personal submission to be considered in the electoral review.

Regards

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