The Chief Executive

Local Democracy and Boundary Commission for Wales   
Hastings House

Fitzalan Court

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**Review of Electoral Arrangements for the County Borough of Wrexham   
Burton & Rossett Ward**

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The proposal appears to be based purely on calculation of numbers with no consideration for   
the impact on members of the community. In times when there's an ever-increasing need for   
communities to work together this proposal would only serve to dismantle our community. For   
these reasons I strongly oppose this proposal and request reconsideration to ensure the   
community of Burton and Rossett are not fragmented.

Yours sincerely

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In the light of the above can you please answer the following:- 1, do you support the   
recommendations and 2: what action are you taking to represent the overwhelming   
opposition from the residents of both Burton and Rossett.

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