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4th February 2022

Dear colleagues,

Parliamentary Boundary Review – Caerphilly constituency

As you may know, in its initial review the Parliamentary Boundary Commission has proposed that the current constituency of Caerphilly be split four ways. It is proposed that the southern part of the current Caerphilly constituency – Caerphilly town, the Aber Valley, Llanbradach, Bedwas, Trethomas & Machen, and Rudry and Waterloo and Draethen – be joined to western Newport. This new constituency would be known as 'Newport West and Caerphilly'.

I feel very strongly that this proposal, if agreed, would be a huge mistake. Very obviously Caerphilly, and the communities close to it, have very little in common with the city of Newport. If this proposal were accepted, there is no doubt in my mind that it would significantly weaken parliamentary representation.

This is my view and the view of the local Labour Party, Plaid Cymru, and the Liberal Democrats.

A counter proposal has been submitted to the Boundary Commission and this counter proposal maintains the integrity of the lower Rhymney valley and meets the criteria which are set out in the relevant legislation. I have enclosed a copy of the counter proposal which I have submitted to the Boundary Commission.

Also enclosed is a petition. I am asking that this be presented to your Council for the Council as a whole and individual Councillors to sign. In addition, I would hope that members of the public in your area would be encouraged to add their names. The petition should be returned to my office ideally by the 24th of February; if that is not possible then please send the petitions by the 20th of March. My constituency address is at the bottom of this letter.


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Finally, I would welcome your Council making its views known directly to the Parliamentary Boundary Commission. Observations on the initial submissions can be made online at <https://bcomm-wales/gov.uk> from the 17th of February.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Wayne David', written in a cursive style.

Wayne David

MP for Caerphilly