



Northern Ireland
Assembly

Boundary Commission for Northern Ireland

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Dear Sir/Madame

As an MLA for the Lagan Valley Constituency, I want to convey the strong opposition communicated to me from many constituents of the Gransha ward to the Commission's proposals in relation to the relevant area. Part of Gransha ward is currently in Lagan Valley. This part of the ward has strong historical and natural community, services and societal bonds with the Dromore and Dromara area.

Many people who reside in this part of the Gransha ward use services in Dromore and Dromara; this includes health and educational services. The area has long been traditionally bonded together; the proposal would sever one part of this area into the South Down Constituency.

You will see from the significant number of petitioners that there is a very strong feeling from residents of this area that this proposal would be detrimental to the natural and society bonds of their community. They wish for you to amend your proposals to allow this part of Gransha to remain with Dromore and Dromara in the Lagan Valley Constituency.

I believe that the arguments are strong for this area to remain with their natural bond of Dromore and Dromara. This area can be retained within Lagan Valley without breaching any of the limits or parameters on electoral numbers for each constituency.

I would urge you to consider the strength of community feeling on this issue, the traditional ties and bonds of the area and to facilitate this part of Gransha ward to remain within Lagan Valley.

Kind Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Emma Little-Pengelly', written over a faint circular stamp or watermark.

Emma Little Pengelly MLA