

Community Governance Review Wiltshire Council County Hall Bythesea Road TROWBRIDGE Wilts

12/10/2015

Dear Councillor Wheeler

As the County Sports Partnership supporting the sports bodies providing activities for residents of the Trowbridge community, we would like to express our support for all of the proposals made by Trowbridge Town Council to the Community Governance Review. It is clear that Trowbridge needs one town council for all of the town and that the proposals for changes to the town boundary made by Trowbridge Town Council will achieve this.

Trowbridge Town Council has been supportive of growth in the town's population and the development of services and facilities for that growing population. As well as improvements in the town centre, the town council has continued to support the provision of sport and active leisure facilities around the town and is now looking to invest in additional facilities, but the Town council need to be able to do this for the whole town, not just parts of it.

Trowbridge Town Council is already working with partners on plans to deliver; new sports pitches and outdoor leisure facilities at Devizes Road next to the new Trowbridge Rugby Club, a secure future for Woodmarsh football ground, improved facilities in the Town Park, it is in discussion with Wiltshire Council about taking over the Stallards Recreation Ground and Seymour Recreation Ground and it is supporting the development of a new health and well-being centre including indoor leisure facilities. The neighbouring parish councils do not have the capacity and resources to deliver these changes for Trowbridge. Only a single town council can make these changes efficiently and effectively.

Trowbridge Town Council can only do these things for the whole town if the areas of new development are included in the town boundary and everyone makes a contribution to our success. Please ensure that Trowbridge continues to invest in the future of the towns sporting community by approving all of the proposals made by Trowbridge Town Council.

Yours sincerely

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