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Date: Monday, October 14, 2024 10:17 GMT+01:00

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Hi

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I suspect he has already written to Rushmoor, Surrey CC and Hampshire CC. My advice would be that he writes to his local ward councillors and to the Leader of the Council to see if they are receptive to the proposal.

Thanks

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Sent: Monday, October 14, 2024 3:32:08 PM
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Thanks [REDACTED], I'll let the resident know

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Addressed To: Julia.McShane@guildford.gov.uk, [redacted]@guildford.gov.uk

Subject: Re: Principle Area Boundary Review Proposal: Reclassification of Ash [UNC]

Date: Wednesday, October 16, 2024 14:07 GMT+01:00

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Hi Julia

[redacted] and I had an email from this guy in August. I had a go at drafting a response but I can't find it now. Sorry but I don't think it was ever sent.

It is not something that has come up on doorsteps regularly during campaigning. I am not sure it is a major issue for local people.

Best wishes
[redacted]

[redacted]
Borough Councillor - Ash Ward
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Ash Parish Councillor - Ash Wharf
Phone: [redacted]

From: Julia McShane <Julia.McShane@guildford.gov.uk>
Sent: Wednesday, October 16, 2024 1:23:26 PM
To: [redacted] <[redacted]@guildford.gov.uk>; [redacted] <[redacted]@guildford.gov.uk>
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Hi both,

This is interesting. [redacted] recently made the comment that people in Ash felt more connected to Aldershot than Guildford. It's not something I am aware is strongly felt by most people in Ash and we have only recently had a ward boundary review anyway. I note that Harley Davey-Harper doesn't specify the actual percentage of the population of Ash that were asked about this issue.

Julia

From: [redacted] <[redacted]@guildford.gov.uk>
Sent: Tuesday, October 15, 2024 4:03 PM
To: [redacted] <[redacted]@guildford.gov.uk>; Julia McShane <Julia.McShane@guildford.gov.uk>
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Hi [redacted],

I totally agree.

BW
[redacted]

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Subject: RE: Request for Guildford Borough Council to consider a Principal Area Boundary Review – Ash/Aldershot

Date: Friday, September 18, 2026 11:44 GMT+01:00

Dear Mr Davey-Harper

Thank you for your email, in which you refer to “previous correspondence”, I wonder if you could forward the previous correspondence as I have no record of any such correspondence from you.

Could you also please send us the “LGBCE’s latest response” as that was not attached to your email to us?

Many thanks

**Democratic Services and Elections Manager
and Deputy Monitoring Officer**

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From: Harley Davey-Harper <harleyliam31@icloud.com>
Sent: 17 September 2026 19:38
To: Committee Services <CommitteeServices@guildford.gov.uk>; committeeservices@rushmoor.gov.uk
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Subject: FW: Request for Guildford Borough Council to consider a Principal Area Boundary Review – Ash/Aldershot
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Dear Pedro/[REDACTED]

Please see the email below (sent to both GBC and Rushmoor Borough Council) setting out a request for both councils to formally request the Local Government Boundary Commission for England (LGBCE) to conduct a Principal Area Boundary Review (PABR) to see whether any change in the boundary between Ash and Aldershot would be appropriate. The previous correspondence referred to in the email is attached.

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Regards

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Addressed To: CommitteeServices@guildford.gov.uk, Pedro.Wrobel@guildford.gov.uk, [REDACTED]@guildford.gov.uk
Subject: RE: Request for Guildford Borough Council to consider a Principal Area Boundary Review – Ash/Aldershot [UNC]
Date: Wednesday, September 23, 2026 18:13 GMT+01:00

Hi All

I don't actually know much about this area, but based on what [REDACTED] has said below I would propose a response as follows – [REDACTED] & [REDACTED] can correct any factual inaccuracies on my part:-

Dear Mr. xxx

Thank you for your request that the Council considers a principal area boundary review for Ash/Andover. You may be aware that the Surrey (Structural Changes) Order 2025 mandates that Guildford Borough Council will cease to exist on 31 March 2027. Where a district is shortly to cease to exist and be replaced by a new unitary authority, the LGBCE would normally be reluctant to undertake a standalone boundary review affecting that authority unless there was a compelling reason and sufficient time for the review to be completed and implemented before vesting day i.e. 1 April 2027.

In relation to your request, we do not consider that there is adequate time for any review to be completed and implemented before vesting day and therefore your request should be directed to West Surrey Council post 1 April.

YS

From: Committee Services <CommitteeServices@guildford.gov.uk>
Sent: 22 September 2026 12:12
To: Pedro Wrobel <Pedro.Wrobel@guildford.gov.uk>; [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@guildford.gov.uk>; Committee Services <CommitteeServices@guildford.gov.uk>
Cc: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@guildford.gov.uk>
Subject: RE: Request for Guildford Borough Council to consider a Principal Area Boundary Review – Ash/Aldershot [UNC]

Thanks Pedro and [REDACTED]

How will this be actually dealt with post vesting day though, as I'm sure he'll ask the question?

If we were to respond to this now as GBC, how would we deal with it in terms of governance? Mr Davey-Harper has asked if we would confirm:

1. Whether Guildford Borough Council will formally consider my request for a PABR;
2. Which councillor, committee, Executive body or officer is responsible for determining how such a request should be considered;
3. Whether the matter can be referred to the appropriate decision-making body for consideration;
4. Whether Guildford Borough Council would be willing to enter discussions with Rushmoor Borough Council regarding a potential joint request to the LGBCE; and
5. If the Council does not consider a PABR warranted, whether you could provide the specific reasons for that position and identify who has made that determination.

Would we, for example, on the strength of one representation from one resident, take a report on this to Council? Or would we ask for a steer from the Leader, local members, the parish council?

Would we ask the Leader to discuss it with their opposite numbers in Rushmoor, Hampshire, Surrey, WSSA?

It seems like potentially an awful lot of work generated by the single musings of a politics student?

Regards

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**Democratic Services and Elections Manager
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From: Pedro Wrobel <Pedro.Wrobel@guildford.gov.uk>

Sent: 21 September 2026 14:58

To: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@guildford.gov.uk>; Committee Services <CommitteeServices@guildford.gov.uk>; [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@guildford.gov.uk>

Subject: RE: Request for Guildford Borough Council to consider a Principal Area Boundary Review – Ash/Aldershot [UNC]

Thanks DD.

[REDACTED], are you ok to reply on this basis?

Thanks,

P

From: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@guildford.gov.uk>

Sent: 21 September 2026 14:20

To: Pedro Wrobel <Pedro.Wrobel@guildford.gov.uk>; Committee Services <CommitteeServices@guildford.gov.uk>; [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@guildford.gov.uk>

Subject: RE: Request for Guildford Borough Council to consider a Principal Area Boundary Review – Ash/Aldershot [UNC]

Hi Pedro

I agree with you – I think it unreasonable for GBC to address this so close to vesting day.

Regards
[REDACTED]

From: Pedro Wrobel <Pedro.Wrobel@guildford.gov.uk>

Sent: 21 September 2026 12:07

To: Committee Services <CommitteeServices@guildford.gov.uk>; [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@guildford.gov.uk>; [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@guildford.gov.uk>

Subject: RE: Request for Guildford Borough Council to consider a Principal Area Boundary Review – Ash/Aldershot [UNC]

My personal view is that this should be brought back after vesting day, and it wouldn't be reasonable to address this now, but I'm willing to be persuaded otherwise.

P

From: Committee Services <CommitteeServices@guildford.gov.uk>

Sent: 18 September 2026 16:39

To: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@guildford.gov.uk>; Pedro Wrobel <Pedro.Wrobel@guildford.gov.uk>; Committee Services <CommitteeServices@guildford.gov.uk>; [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@guildford.gov.uk>

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Yes – it also affects Hampshire County Council and SCC

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From: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@guildford.gov.uk>

Sent: 18 September 2026 15:18

To: Pedro Wrobel <Pedro.Wrobel@guildford.gov.uk>; Committee Services <CommitteeServices@guildford.gov.uk>; [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@guildford.gov.uk>

Subject: RE: Request for Guildford Borough Council to consider a Principal Area Boundary Review – Ash/Aldershot [UNC]

Hi all,

I also sympathise with the request. There is reason why full councils or relevant committees couldn't consider this and perhaps resolve to make such a request of the LGBCE, but I would have thought it would need to be 3 councils rather than two. GBC, Rushmoor and WSSA, since no PABR could be completed within 6 months, and even if it were, any resulting parliamentary/SoS Order would be binding on the successor authority.

Many thanks, [REDACTED]

From: Pedro Wrobel <Pedro.Wrobel@guildford.gov.uk>
Sent: 18 September 2026 14:32
To: Committee Services <CommitteeServices@guildford.gov.uk>; [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@guildford.gov.uk>
Cc: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@guildford.gov.uk>
Subject: RE: Request for Guildford Borough Council to consider a Principal Area Boundary Review – Ash/Aldershot

I agree with you [REDACTED].

Whilst I sympathise with the points raised, I don't think now is the right moment to address this, given the proximity of LGR.

Would welcome [REDACTED] and DD's views.

Thanks,

P

From: Committee Services <CommitteeServices@guildford.gov.uk>
Sent: 18 September 2026 14:11
To: Pedro Wrobel <Pedro.Wrobel@guildford.gov.uk>; [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@guildford.gov.uk>
Cc: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@guildford.gov.uk>
Subject: FW: Request for Guildford Borough Council to consider a Principal Area Boundary Review – Ash/Aldershot

Dear Pedro/[REDACTED]

Please see the email below (sent to both GBC and Rushmoor Borough Council) setting out a request for both councils to formally request the Local Government Boundary Commission for England (LGBCE) to conduct a Principal Area Boundary Review (PABR) to see whether any change in the boundary between Ash and Aldershot would be appropriate. The previous correspondence referred to in the email is attached.

As you know, PABRs can be initiated in 3 ways: by the LGBCE, by central government, or at the request of the affected councils. Clearly, the fact that one of the councils is due to be abolished through LGR makes the situation slightly more complicated. My understanding is that where a district is shortly to cease to exist and be replaced by a new unitary authority, the LGBCE would normally be reluctant to undertake a standalone boundary review affecting that authority unless there was a compelling reason and sufficient time for the review to be completed and implemented before vesting day.

In practice, Government would often expect boundary questions to be addressed as part of the reorganisation process itself, rather than through a separate PABR. Wasn't this considered last year, when submissions were being made to the Secretary of State on the configuration of UAs. I thought the SoS had ruled out any cross-county boundary changes then?

I'll leave this to you to decide how to respond to Mr Davey-Harper.

Regards

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

**Democratic Services and Elections Manager
and Deputy Monitoring Officer**

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From: Harley Davey-Harper <harleyliam31@icloud.com>
Sent: 17 September 2026 19:38
To: Committee Services <CommitteeServices@guildford.gov.uk>; committeeservices@rushmoor.gov.uk
Subject: Request for Guildford Borough Council to consider a Principal Area Boundary Review – Ash/Aldershot

Dear Democratic Services / Relevant Officer,

I am writing further to my previous correspondence regarding the boundary between Ash and Aldershot and my ongoing request for a Principal Area Boundary Review (PABR) concerning the boundary between Guildford Borough Council and Rushmoor Borough Council.

I have now received a further written response from the Local Government Boundary Commission for England (LGBCE), which has specifically advised me to raise the matter in the first instance with Guildford Borough Council and Rushmoor Borough Council.

The Commission has confirmed that its current policy is to consider PABRs where the affected local authorities request a review. It has therefore advised that, should the councils consider that a review is warranted, they may approach the Commission with a request for a PABR.

I am therefore asking Guildford Borough Council to formally consider whether it believes that a Principal Area Boundary Review of the Ash/Aldershot boundary is warranted and, if so, whether it would be prepared to approach the LGBCE jointly with Rushmoor Borough Council.

I am not asking the Council to predetermine the outcome of any future review. Rather, I am asking the Council to consider whether the existing boundary remains appropriate in light of the present-day pattern of settlement, community identity, service relationships and the wider changes taking place in local government.

In particular, I would ask the Council to consider:

- the close physical relationship between Ash and Aldershot;
- the extent to which the communities function as part of the same continuous urban area;
- present-day patterns of movement, facilities, employment, shopping and community interaction;
- whether the existing administrative boundary remains a clear and appropriate boundary between communities;
- whether the current boundary facilitates effective and convenient local government; and
- whether there is sufficient evidence to justify the two councils jointly approaching the LGBCE for an independent assessment.

I appreciate that a PABR is a formal statutory process and that any eventual change would require consideration of evidence, consultation and the relevant legal procedures. I am not asking Guildford Borough Council to simply accept my conclusions; I am asking the Council to formally assess the case and determine whether a joint request for a review should be made.

I would therefore be grateful if you could confirm:

1. Whether Guildford Borough Council will formally consider my request for a PABR;
2. Which councillor, committee, Executive body or officer is responsible for determining how such a request should be considered;
3. Whether the matter can be referred to the appropriate decision-making body for consideration;
4. Whether Guildford Borough Council would be willing to enter discussions with Rushmoor Borough Council regarding a potential joint request to the LGBCE; and
5. If the Council does not consider a PABR warranted, whether you could provide the specific reasons for that position and identify who has made that determination.

I have attached the LGBCE's latest response for reference, together with relevant previous correspondence. I would also be happy to provide the wider evidence and material I have compiled regarding the Ash/Aldershot boundary if this would assist the Council's consideration.

I would appreciate this being treated as a formal request for the Council to consider the matter rather than simply as a general enquiry.

Thank you for your time, and I look forward to receiving the Council's response.

Yours sincerely,

Harley Davey-Harper