

From: Claife PC Clerk [<mailto:clerk@claifeparishcouncil.org.uk>]
Sent: 08 November 2018 19:05
To: Elections
Subject: re: Information on Community Governance Review

Dear Tom,

Please find below Claife Parish Council's response to the CGR.

Q1) Does this Council consider that Claife Parish Council requires two separate wards, or can it function as a single Parish Council without wards

It would prefer to continue with 2 wards as currently, because the current system functions well, each ward has some distinctly different issues, and we don't feel there is a strong need to change it. Despite the difference in electorate numbers it was felt that it is also the Parish Council's responsibility to look after the land and parish interests, and these are broadly equal.

Q2) Does this Council wish to consider grouping with a neighbouring Parish Council

No, we would prefer to remain independent because we believe Claife has unique and distinct issues that require dedicated focus.

Q3) Does this Council wish to reduce councillor numbers to 5 in order to increase the likelihood of election

No, sometimes councillors are away and keeping our numbers to 6 means we increase the certainty of having a quorum for decisions.

I hope this is sufficient, but please feel free to contact me if you need further information.

Kind regards,

Joanne Heather
Clerk to Claife Parish Council.