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From: Scott Mckellar [REDACTED]
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To: Local Govt Boundary Comm Scot
Subject: Boundary issues Dunlop crescent, Stepps

Hi,

I am taking the time to write to you in relation to the proposed boundary change from Glasgow City Council to North Lanarkshire Council. I currently live at Dunlop Crescent and I am desperate for our boundary to be changed to North Lanarkshire Council. Being within the Glasgow City Council area is causing me and my family major issues. I currently work as a police officer within Glasgow City Centre therefore I work a hectic shift pattern. My mum is currently my main childcare help and doesn't drive. Due to this I originally put in a placing request for my little boy to attend either Stepps Primary or St Josephs Primary. At the time he was rejected for both schools which left me having to register him initially for St Benedicts in Easterhouse. Due to my shift pattern and my mum not being able to drive this was hugely unpracticable. I eventually managed to get him into St Barbaras Primary in Muirhead. I still have the issue of him being a 45 min walk to school which is too far for my mum to walk. This had resulted in me having to drop hours in my work and lose money in order to take him and collect him from school. I then managed to get him a privilege place on the school bus which was fantastic until we got to the start of this school year. I was then informed that due to us not staying in the catchment area we would have to wait until September before his place was confirmed. This has again resulted in me having to take further time of work to accommodate his schooling. Extremely frustrating when in fact his school bus is a small 9 seater bus with only 4 children on it. Driving past it and speaking with the driver each morning and afternoon is highly frustrating knowing that there are spaces on it and I am losing money etc. It is also extremely difficult trying to deal with our council tax going up an extra £30 per month from when we first moved here.

I am also extremely anxious at the thought of a road being built directly from Easterhouse into our estate. I saved so hard to move here in order to give my children a safe place to go out and play and enjoy their childhood. Building that road is going to create further crime and more traffic. I would not hesitate to look at moving if a road were to be built directly into this estate as I feel we would endure things like stolen cars etc from the Easterhouse area. I choose to move to Stepps due to it being away from any main roads etc and find it highly distressing that I have paid so much money for a house for the estate to be completely different from what I signed up to buy.

Yours Thankfully

Jennifer Mckellar

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