

Danescourt and Llandaff North should stay separate according to the latest review of controversial plans to link the two communities electorally.

The original plans would mean that voters in Llandaff – which contains Danescourt - and in Llandaff North, would be part of one ward, sharing four councillors for the City and County of Cardiff between them.

The Danescourt Community Association opposes that plan, saying that there don't appear to be any community based reasons for the proposal.

The DCA points out that the two communities are effectively separated by the river Taff and, to a lesser extent, by the railway. The only road link is the river bridge.

Now the Local Government Boundary Commission for Wales, which is reviewing the electoral arrangements across Wales, has accepted these arguments and its final proposals say that the existing Llandaff and Llandaff North divisions should be kept.

This latest report will be considered by the Welsh Assembly Government and a final decision is expected after the Assembly elections in 2011.

The aim of the review is to make sure that people in all areas are fairly represented: as communities grow and change, they may need more or fewer councillors.

The DCA's counterpart, the Llandaff North Residents Association, rejects the proposed changes too, pointing out that the area it represents had greater links with Whitchurch than Llandaff.

Danescourt's Lib Dem councillors Gareth Aubrey and Kirsty Davies also oppose the plan, as

does the Cardiff West Constituency Labour Party

You can read the full report [here](#)