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Settlement Boundary

Changing a Settlement Boundary is no trivial matter. You would expect a significant paper trail. You would expect to find evidence of correspondence between the parties involved and you would expect to find 'minutes' in the record of official meetings. I suspect there is no evidence at all and FCC's response is a post-hoc excuse for a simple mistake.

During the process when the new school was being planned and built there was never any indication that it was to have a specific impact on my property. Had the removal from the Settlement Boundary or issues with trees been discussed, or been even a possibility at that time, I would have expected to be Notified about the specific consequences and given an opportunity to object. I was not. There is a clearly defined boundary that runs where the fence is at the bottom of my garden, and, there is no clearly defended boundary where it is currently shown on the LDP. I think it more appropriate to draw the line, as has been done with almost all other properties within the LDP area, to include the entire garden - where it historically has been.

Property line.

A look at the LDP shows that there are properties directly adjacent to my property that has homes on and which are included within the Settlement Boundary. Also the Settlement Boundary is also much closer to my property that it is to the house next to me.

Trees

I have attached a scaled sketch of my property that shows the location of the trees. You will note that in a direct line, across well-kept lawn, from any part of my property to the nearest 'mature tree' is some 57 meters. It would be misleading to suggest that the area only includes trees as much more is without trees. At no time has there ever been a Tree Preservation Order placed on any of the trees, and, that I have no intention of felling any of the trees.

Surely there is an obligation of FCC to accurately represent reality. Reality simply is not as the FCC say - which is perhaps would be best seen by a site visit.

I suspect on this occasion FCC have fallen below the stand that you would normally expect of them. And I ask that you restore Settlement Boundary to include all of my property.