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# Objection 28

City of Swan

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# **2020-21 Western Australian Redistribution**

**Objection to proposed boundaries**

## Overview

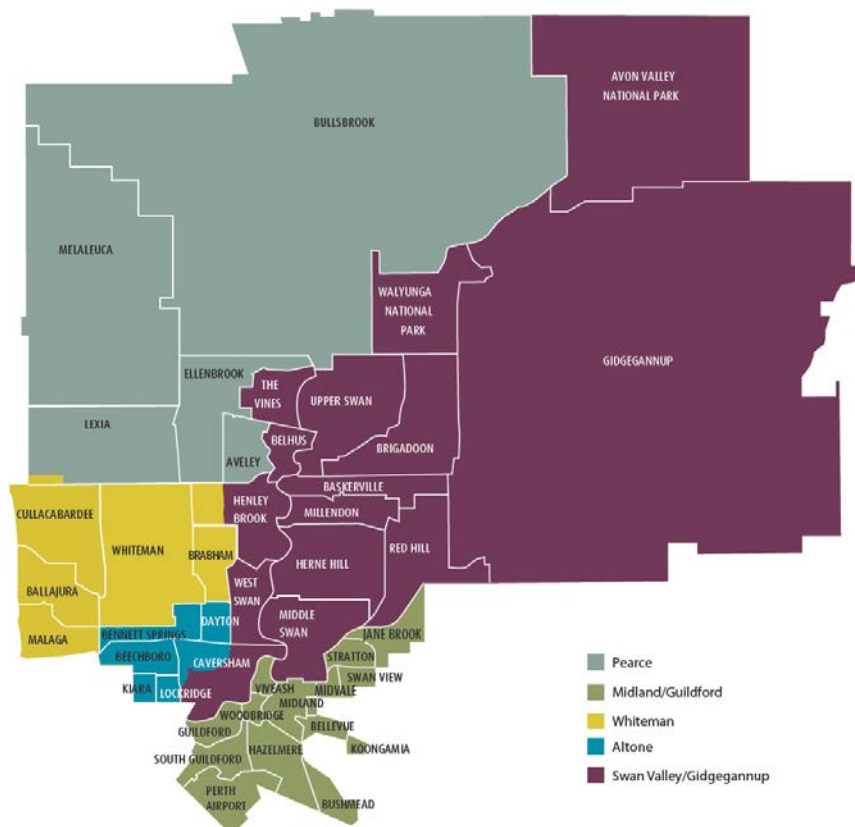
The City of Swan generally supports the proposed redistribution of Federal electoral boundaries within its region. It is important any proposed boundary attempts to maintain contiguous communities of interest and follow physical dividing infrastructure or natural features.

In preparing this response to the Australian Electoral Commission, the City staff sought input from its elected members. All contributions provided by the Council are captured in this report.

This report only considers the electorates incorporating parts of the City of Swan Local Government Area.

The boundaries considered in this report are:

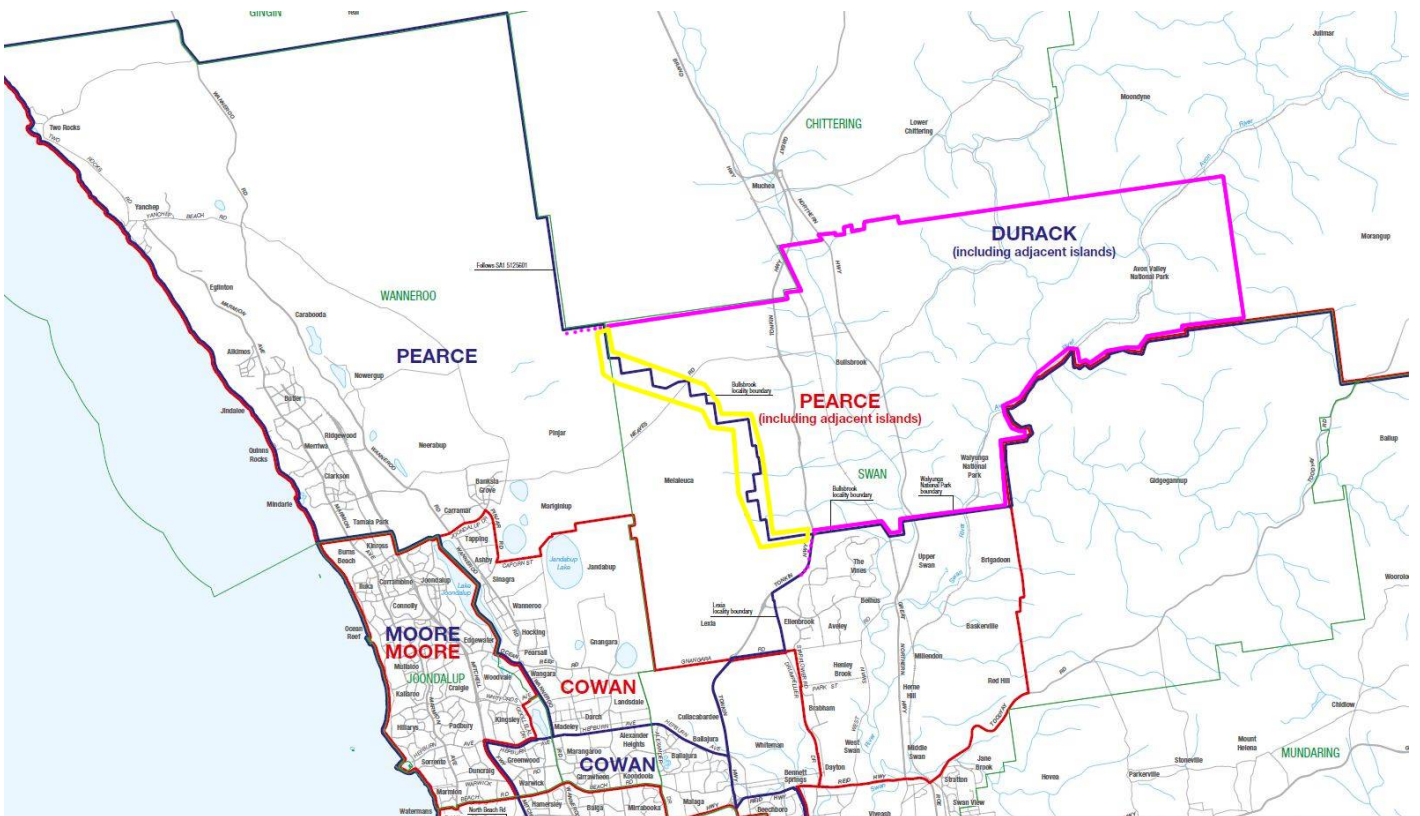
- Pearce
- Cowan
- Hasluck
- Durack
- Swan



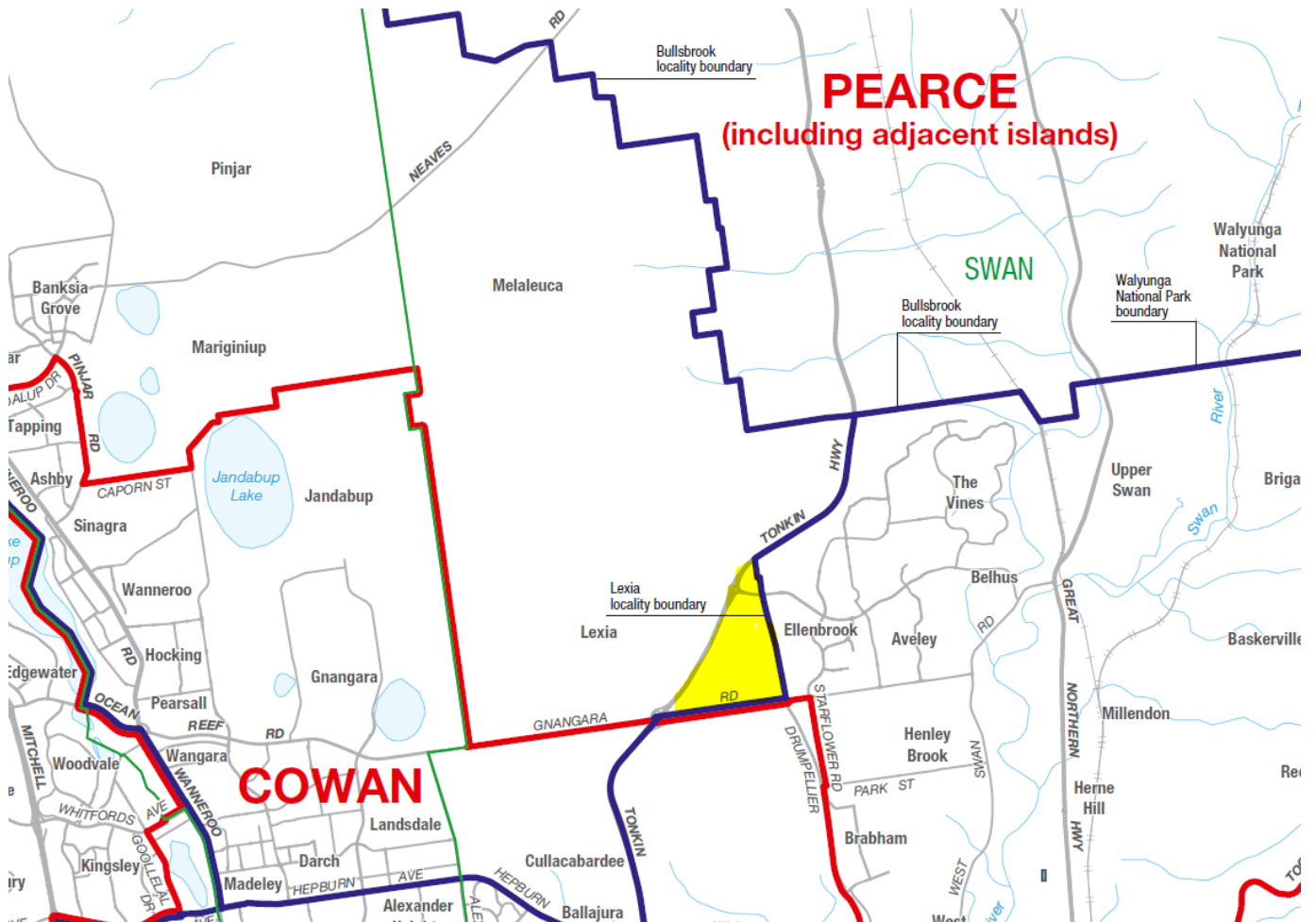
Suburbs within the City of Swan by Ward area

# Response

1. The City supports the proposal because the majority of boundary changes maintain contiguous communities of interest in the regions of Ellenbrook, Caversham and Guildford/South Guildford.
2. The City supports the proposal because the majority of boundaries are generally drawn along physical dividing infrastructure such as rivers, roads and highways.
3. The City supports the proposal because the diverse range of divisions provides the City with additional capacity to leverage politicians/parties for funding and/or to advocate change.
4. The City proposes the Durack/Pearce boundary (circled in Yellow, below) be augmented to exclude the electorate of Durack from the City of Swan locality (as shown in Fuchsia).
  - a. We propose the boundary of Pearce should extend across the northern portion of the City of Swan incorporating communities of Bullsbrook and its estimated 3,623 residents.
  - b. The reason for this proposal is to minimise the number of Local Government Areas enveloped by the proposed seat of Durack, and recognise the existing relationship between communities in Bullsbrook and Neerabup connected by Neaves Road.



5. The City proposes the boundary between Pearce and Hasluck in the suburb of Lexia follow the Tonkin Highway because it is a pre-existing infrastructure boundary. The area highlighted in yellow on the map below shall become part of the electorate of Hasluck.



**End of submission**