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Comment on Objections 22

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Mackellar Redistribution

Dear Sir, I commend the boundary commission for suggesting the inclusion of Killarney Heights into the Mackellar electorate. These areas have strong commonality of interests eg schools, sporting clubs and associations, public transport and road links.

The expansion of the Mackellar boundaries to include any of the Bradfield electorate, or vice versa, is to try and mix oil and water. The boundary areas are thick bushland, creeks and steep valleys – not areas where neighbours meet daily. There are no urban boundaries that permit residential mixing.

The areas of Bradfield and Mackellar are isolated from each other not only by geography but also by the lack of public transport across the bushland boundary. The lack of communication means that each of these areas has their own identity and cohesion. Sporting codes hardly mix in the leagues, shopping is based on different centres (Chatswood and Warringah Mall).

Thank you, Keith Platt