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Tom Rogers
Australian Electoral Commissioner

Dear Tom

Re: Comment on submissions regarding the Victorian Redistribution and the inclusion of the Domain area of South Yarra within the Division of Kooyong and not Melbourne.

As a resident of the Domain area of South Yarra (an area bound by St Kilda Road, the Yarra River, the Royal Botanic Gardens, Punt Road and Toorak Road), I urge the AEC to consider the cultural, social, and demographic characteristics of my area that significantly isolate it from its current representation and to correct this as part of what is a large re-distribution. Many aspects of my area, including income, family, and other demographics, are significantly like Toorak and Armadale and very different from Fitzroy and other suburbs that my community competes with for the share of voice in Canberra.

I would suggest that Domain region of South Yarra has long been under-represented, and the AEC has a significant opportunity to correct this should the boundaries of Kooyong under the draft redistribution be re-drawn to follow the Yarra River to the Royal Botanic Gardens, running along St Kilda Road to Toorak Road, along Toorak Road to Williams Road, and then as suggested, moving the proposed boundary of Chisholm further into Malvern to adjust for the constituents gained in including my area into Kooyong.

Kind Regards