



# Objection 329

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## Objection to Proposed Electoral Boundary Changes

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to formally object to the proposed changes to the electoral boundaries affecting our community. As a long-standing resident of this electorate, I feel compelled to express the deep sense of concern and dissatisfaction shared by many within our community regarding these changes.

Our electorate is not just a geographical area; it is a well-established community with a rich history and strong sense of identity. Over the years, we have built a cohesive and supportive environment, characterised by a shared sense of ownership and belonging. The current boundaries have facilitated this development, fostering a strong and united community spirit. The proposed boundary changes are both unnecessary and disruptive. They threaten to dismantle the social fabric that has taken years to build. Such changes can have significant adverse effects on our community, including:

1. **Loss of Community Identity:** Altering the boundaries disrupts the continuity of our community, potentially severing long-standing relationships and connections that are integral to our collective identity.
2. **Disruption of Services:** Many local services and community initiatives are tailored specifically to the current boundaries. Changing these boundaries could lead to confusion and inefficiencies, adversely affecting the delivery of essential services.
3. **Impact on Representation:** Our current electoral boundaries ensure that our unique community needs and interests are adequately represented. Redrawing these boundaries could dilute our representation, making it more difficult for our voices to be heard and our needs to be addressed.
4. **Community Engagement:** The strong sense of community engagement and participation in local governance could be weakened. People are less likely to feel connected and involved if they perceive that their community is being arbitrarily divided.

In conclusion, I urge the Australian Electoral Commission to reconsider the proposed boundary changes. Maintaining the current boundaries is crucial for preserving the integrity and cohesiveness of our community. The disruption and uncertainty caused by such changes are unjustified and detrimental to the well-being of our electorate.

Thank you for considering this objection. I trust that the AEC will recognise the importance of preserving the established boundaries that contribute to the strength and vitality of our community.

Yours sincerely,

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