



Objection 449

Yarra Valley Business

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing to formally object to the proposed 2023-2024 Victorian federal redistribution. Please consider my comments below for why we need to keep Casey's geographical boundaries as they currently stand.

As a member and now President of Yarra Valley Business, we are the peak body for local business to network and support each other in the Yarra Valley region. Our membership is based within the main regional centre of the Lilydale-Chirnside Park area, along the Maroondah Highway to the northeast, the Melba Highway to the north and the Warburton Highway to the east, ranging from small family businesses to businesses that employ hundreds of people.

The industrial Lilydale-Chirnside Park area is an important link for the Yarra Valley and the Upper Yarra as this is the area our members rely on for their service and local manufacturing needs. The predominant mix of businesses in the area are based in tourism, agribusiness, and the required services that support those industries.

I wish to congratulate the committee on your work of keeping the seat of Casey within the Lilydale-Chirnside Park area and the corridors of the Melba Highway to the north, the Maroondah Highway to the north east and the Warburton Highway to the east. By maintaining the seat around these important corridors, including by keeping the Yarra Ranges Council within the one seat, this in my view keeps communities and industries of interest together.

I also wish to congratulate the committee on the overall draft boundaries for the seat of Casey. By including the Wonga Park area and St Andrews area into the seat not only helps with ensuring the number of voters in Casey is sufficient, but also brings together similar areas in the one seat.

Thank you for your work in the Victorian redistribution process and for your consideration of my comments.

Regards,

Lisa Crunden

Lisa Crunden - President
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