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The Queensland Redistribution Commission (the *Commission*) commenced the redistribution of the state's electoral districts on Friday, 3 June 2016. A notice was published in the Queensland Government Gazette, advising of the need for a redistribution and naming the three commissioners:

- Hugh Botting, Chairperson, formerly a judge of the District Court of Queensland;
- Walter van der Merwe, Member, Electoral Commissioner of Queensland; and
- Liza Carroll, Member, Director-General, Department of Housing and Public Works.

Public suggestions on the redistribution were then invited for a 30 day period from Saturday, 25 June 2016. Throughout all stages of public consultation, the *Commission* has placed advertisements in more than 40 newspapers circulating around Queensland, including in the Courier Mail and Sunday Mail. Following the closure of suggestions, public comments on those suggestions were invited until Monday, 29 August 2016.

The *Commission* carefully considered current and projected enrolment data, public submissions and where practicable, community of interest concerns in formulating its Proposal for the Redistribution of the State's Electoral Districts.

Upon releasing the proposal on Friday, 24 February 2017, public objections to this document were invited for 30 days until 5pm Monday, 27 March 2017. The *Commission* received 1,546 objections during this consultation period and then invited comments on these objections. The comments received are enclosed in this document.

#### **General Observations**

The Queensland Parliament passed legislation in 2016 to add an additional four state districts to the existing 89 electorates. While numerous public contributors have expressed opposition to increasing the number of districts, the *Commission* is bound by the legislation and must redistribute the state into 93 electorates.

While formulating the proposal, it became apparent that much more would be required than minor trimming of, and adjustments to, the existing electorates. The information available to the commissioners shows a clear drift in population from the west to the coast, and more especially, to the south-east corner of the State. The predictions are that this trend will continue. The commissioners therefore concluded that the time was appropriate to adopt a robust approach to the redistribution.

As expected, there has been considerable public interest in this review. In some cases almost twice the number of respondents than during the previous redistribution in 2008. These submissions form an important part of the boundary deliberation process and the commissioners wish to sincerely thank all of those persons who have taken the time to participate and make a submission.

#### The Scheme of the Electoral Act 1992

In administering a redistribution, the *Commission* is bound by the various requirements set out in the *Electoral Act 1992* (the *Act*). The most significant of those requirements is that all electorates contain a similar number of electors.

In determining the electoral boundaries of Queensland's 93 state districts, an 'average number of enrolled electors' referred to as 'quota' is derived by dividing the total number of electors in the State by 93 (see s. 3.)

As at Monday, 29 August 2016 the total number of electors in the State was 3,084,596, and hence the quota is 33,168. The *Act* provides that the number of electors in each electoral district **must be within** 10% of the quota (s. 45) and hence each electorate must have at least 29,851 and no more than 36,485 electors.

There is one exception to the above requirement. Where an electoral district has an area greater than 100,000 km<sup>2</sup>, a special rule ("*additional large district number*") applies. That rule is that a notional number of electors is arrived at by adding a number equal to 2% of the district's area to the actual number of electors within the district. The combined total number of electors must be within 10% of the quota (s. 45.)

The requirement that the numbers of electors within each electoral district must be within a 10% tolerance is binding on the *Commission* - the commissioners have no discretion to propose a district which is not within such tolerance.

#### **Other Criteria**

Subject to overriding district enrolment requirements, the *Act* makes it clear that there are a number of criteria to be considered by the commissioners in determining a redistribution. The *Act* also stipulates that it is a matter for the *Commission* as to what, if any weight, is given to these additional criteria (see s. 46(3), (4), and (5).)

The criteria are set out in section 46 of the Act and can be summarised as follows:

- **a.** The extent to which there is a community of economic, social, regional or other interest within each proposed electoral district;
- b. The ways of communication and travel within each proposed electoral district;
- c. The physical features of each proposed electoral district;
- d. The boundaries of existing electoral districts;
- e. Demographic trends in the State, with a view to ensuring as far as practicable that, on the basis of the trends, the need for another electoral redistribution will not arise under section 39 before it does under section 38.

There is a further discretionary guideline:

**f.** The *Commission* may consider the boundaries of local government areas to the extent that it is satisfied that there is a community of economic, social, regional or other interests within each local government area.

The commissioners have in fact taken into account each of the above guidelines in respect of each proposed electoral district. In formulating its proposal the *Commission* has at times given greater or lesser weight to the various guidelines as the exigencies of each electoral district requires.

#### Objections to the Proposal for the Redistribution of the State's Electoral Districts

The *Commission* received 1,546 objections to its proposal which were published online and were bound into three volumes and made available at the *Commission's* office in Brisbane, or were made available to those who contacted the office to request personal copies.

On Friday, 7 April 2017 the *Commission* published a notice in the *Queensland Government Gazette* advising of the availability of public objections and inviting interested persons and bodies to submit comments on these objections for a period of 10 days until 5pm Tuesday, 18 April 2017. This notice was also published in *The Courier Mail, The Sunday Mail* and in various regional newspapers circulated throughout Queensland.

The *Commission* received 74 comments on the objections. This booklet contains copies of these comments, which are also available on the website, at the *Commission's* office in Brisbane, or through contacting the office to request a personal copy.

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Office:	Level 6, Forestry House, 160 Mary Street, Brisbane QLD 4000
Email:	boundaries@ecq.qld.gov.au
Phone:	1300 881 665

#### The Remainder of the State Redistribution Process

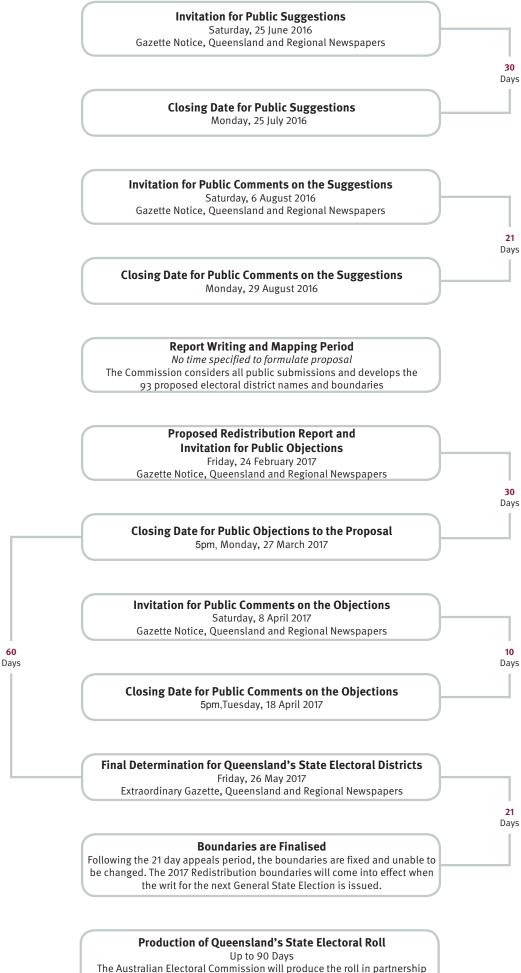
From the date of closure of public objections to the proposal, the *Commission* has 60 days to complete its determination of the State's electoral districts.

Once the commissioners have considered the public objections and comments, and made any amendments to their proposal based on these submissions, the *Commission* will gazette its final determination of the names and boundaries for Queensland's 93 state electoral districts on Friday, 26 May 2017.

Under section 54 of the Act, the final determination and associated documents will be given to The Honourable the Attorney-General and Minister for Justice and Minister for Training and Skills who must table the documents in Parliament within five sitting days of receiving them.

A notice containing details of the *Commission's* final determination will be published in the *Queensland Government Gazette*. Following 21 days from the publication of this notice (subject only to an appeal being lodged in the Court of Appeal) the boundaries and names are considered final and are not subject to further appeal. When the writ is issued for the next State General Election, the 93 new electoral districts come into effect. Queensland will then remain redistributed in these districts until the conclusion of the next state electoral redistribution in Queensland.





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#### LIST OF PUBLIC COMMENTS ON THE OBJECTIONS TO THE PROPOSED STATE ELECTORAL DISTRICTS

Comment	Name / Organisation	Address
C/1	Michael Hallam	U6/3 Moffat Street
		MOFFAT BEACH QLD 4551
C/2	Bryn Maidment	111 Henderson Road
		SHELDON QLD 4157
C/3	Lara Maidment	111 Henderson Road
		SHELDON QLD 4157
C/4	Nathan Maidment	111 Henderson Road SHELDON QLD 4157
C/5	Roberta Edes	37 Emu Street
		SHELDON QLD 4157
C/6	Narelle Sutherland	24 Lindon Street
		DUTTON PARK QLD 4102
C/7	Helen Stoodley	1-215 Shore Street West
	,	CLEVELAND QLD 4163
C/8	Margaret Anderson	17 Orange Grove Street
	<b>3 - - - - - - - - - -</b>	COOCHIEMUDLO ISLAND QLD 4184
C/9	Barbara Armitage	23 Pinelands Circuit
		REDLAND BAY QLD 4165
C/10	Penny Allman-Payne	10 Woodrow Place
		CLEVELAND QLD 4163
C/11	Elizabeth Johnston	16 Samaria Way
•		POINT LOOKOUT QLD 4183
C/12	Robert Wills	30 Samarinda Way
•/ · · =		POINT LOOKOUT QLD 4183
C/13	Erin Miller	37a Morris Circuit
0/10		THORNLANDS QLD 4164
C/14	Garry Goodey	3 Rainbow Crescent
•		DUNWICH QLD 4183
C/15	Paul Smith	129 Rainbow Crescent
0,10		DUNWICH QLD 4183
C/16	Colin Goebel	82 Mooloomba Road
		POINT LOOKOUT QLD 4183
C/17	Wayne Carne	PO BOX 203
		POINT LOOKOUT QLD 4183
C/18	Christopher Day	3 Rainbow Crescent
		DUNWICH QLD 4183
C/19	David May	16 Samaria Way
		POINT LOOKOUT QLD 4183
C/20	Barbara Hemsley	18 Kawana Street
	·····,	AMITY POINT QLD 4183
C/21	Janeen Bulsey	1 Beech Links Drive
		ASHFIELD QLD 4163
C/22	Freja Carmichael	1/204 Lower Hardgrave Road
		WEST END QLD 4101
C/23	Janice Aldenhoven	65 Tramican Street
0.20		POINT LOOKOUT QLD 4183
C/24	Jacqueline Cooper	19 Waller Court
V/27		POINT LOOKOUT QLD 4183

C/25	Kalamia Cane Growers Organisation Ltd.	140 Young Street AYR QLD 4807
C/26	Michael Costelloe	135 Bainbridge Street ORMISTON QLD 4160
C/27	Carol McGregor	PO BOX 177 ASHGROVE QLD 4060
C/28	Stephen Hilditch Heart of Pomona Committee	c/- 1 Memorial Avenue POMONA QLD 4568
C/29	Gail Bell	4 Cook Street AMITY POINT QLD 4183
C/30	Elinor Drake	25 Midjimberry Road POINT LOOKOUT QLD 4183
C/31	Maha Sinnathamby Chairman, Springfield Land Corporation Pty Ltd	PO BOX 4167 SPRINGFIELD CENTRAL QLD 4300
C/32	Graham Thurlow	14 Manly Street BIRKDALE QLD 4159
C/33	David van Gend	28 Arthur Street EAST TOOWOOMBA QLD 4350
C/34	Samantha O'Connor	42 Pleasant Drive ALBANY CREEK QLD 4035
C/35	Ngaire McLean	34/49 Dickson Way
C/36	Lee Curtis Writer, Editor, Project Manager, At A Glance	1 Samarinda Drive POINT LOOKOUT QLD 4183
C/37	Georgia Stanton	UPPER COOMERA QLD 4209
C/38	A. Neil and C. Munro	6 Burke Street TOOWOOMBA QLD 4350
C/39	Briohny Jones	68 Hargrave Street THURSDAY ISLAND QLD 4875
C/40	Rick Britton Mayor, Boulia Shire Council	Goodwood Station BOULIA QLD 4829
C/41	Andrew Cripps MP Member for Hinchinbrook	PO BOX 1515 INGHAM QLD 4850
C/42	Andrew Kamler	3/102 Chaucer Street MOOROOKA QLD 4105
C/43	Jeff Waddell	GEMBROOK VIC 3783
C/44	Barbara Perry	7 Allenby Road ALEXANDXRA HILLS QLD 4161
C/45	Christine Boric President, Tully & District Chamber of Commerce	No Address Provided
C/46	Karen O'Brien	21 Cumming Parade POINT LOOKOUT QLD 4183
C/47	Robert Anderson	1 Vantage Street TARRAGINDI QLD 4121
C/48	Carol Humphries	6 Seagull Avenue AROONA QLD 4551
C/49	Irena Morgan	3 Flinders Lane SCARBOROUGH QLD 4020

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C/50	Jason Jones	Lot 1 Ivy Road CALLIOPE QLD 4680
C/51	Carin Timo	
C/51	Cann Timo	135-11 West Dianne Street LAWNTON QLD 4501
C/52	Deep McCower	
0/52	Ross McGowan	175 Pioneer Road SHELDON QLD 4157
C/53	Maree Ziirsen	67 Tramican Street
C/55		POINT LOOKOUT QLD 4183
C/54	Shirley Wright	73 Nanando Drive
0/34	Shiney Wright	CALLIOPE QLD 4680
C/55	Paul Blackman	636 Parker Road
0/00		OCEANSIDE CA 92058 USA
C/56	Palua	46 Muirhead Street
0/00		CALLIOPE QLD 4680
C/57	Robert Jones	47 Capricornia Road
0/01		CALLIOPE QLD 4680
C/58	Scott Morrison	46 Muirhead Street
0,00		CALLIOPE QLD 4680
C/59	Mark Mulcair	9 Grover Street
		PASCOE VALE VIC 3044
C/60	Brian Feddersen	UPPER COOMERA QLD 4209
C/61	Keith Stebbins	74 Victoria Parade East
		COOCHIEMUDLO ISLAND QLD 4184
C/62	Liberal National Party	PO Box 940
		SPRING HILL QLD 4004
C/63	Wendy Adams	231 Mill Street
		REDLAND BAY QLD 4165
C/64	Bob Richardson	45 Riverstone Road
		GORDONVALE QLD 4865
C/65	Ken and Jocelyn Smith	47 Barker Street
C/66		CHINCHILLA QLD 4413
C/00	Cr Cherie Dalley	PO BOX 3226 LOGAN CITY DC QLD 4114
	Member for Division 8, Deputy	LOGAN CITT DC QLD 4114
C/67	Mayor, Logan City Council Cameron Costello	100 East Coast Road
Cior	CEO, Quandamooka	DUNWICH QLD 4183
	Yoolooburrabee Aboriginal	Doliviion QED 4103
	Corporation	
C/68	Neil Coupland	55 Gippsland Circuit
	President, Greater Springfield	FOREST LAKE QLD 4078
	Chamber of Commerce	
C/69	Peter Pedersen	PO BOX 235
		NERANG QLD 4211
C/70	Linus Power MP	1-3 Helen Street
	Member for Logan	HILLCREST QLD 4118
C/71	Chris Walker	12 Benjamin Court
		CLEVELAND QLD 4163
C/72	Mark Yore	698 Underwood Road
		ROCHEDALE QLD 4123
C/73	Jarrod Bleijie MP	PO BOX 1200
	Member for Kawana	BUDDINA QLD 4575
C/74	Gillian Bright	36 Horseshoe Bend
		BUDERIM QLD 4556

From:BoundariesTo:grcsubmissionsSubject:Submission ID: 67681Date:Saturday, 8 April 2017 3:04:24 PMAttachments:Kawana response hallam.doc

#### Online submission for Kawana

Name: michael hallam Address: Unit 6, 3 Moffat Street Moffat Beach Q 4551

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**Text:** See attached word file.

Submission ID: 67681

Time of Submission: 08 Apr 2017 3:04pm

#### Kawana

My submission is in response to the over 500 submissions received in response to the proposed boundary changes to the Sunshine Coast electorate of Kawana. This represents approximately 1/3 of all submissions made and could be seen as a response to a significant problem. I beg to differ and suggest that many of the submissions are the result of an orchestrated political campaign mounted by the current Member for Kawana Jarrod Bleijie MP. With over 5,000 followers on his facebook page it has been an easy task for Mr Bleijie to mount a political campaign in the name of keeping Kawana together.

Mr Bleijie has repeated posted the following on his facebook page:

HELP KEEP MINYAMA, BUDDINA & PARREARRA IN KAWANA! Did you know the QLD Redistribution Commission has determined that the suburbs of Minyama, Buddina & Parrearra (Kawana Island) will be transferred to the Buderim electorate? Local residents and community groups will all be affected.

I would encourage you to fight to retain our local identity by clicking on the link below and filling in a submission OBJECTING to the proposed transfer of Minyama, Buddina and Parrearra to Buderim.

Please SHARE to spread the word - let's keep Kawana in Kawana! We only have until 27 March 2017 to object.

These posts were accompanied by several media interviews and press statements that have been used by Mr Bleijie to push for "his Kawana" to be maintained as is. (see media conference 6 March on View News facebook page.) Before looking to the political reasons why he has run such an orchestrated campaign let's look at some of the arguments raised by Mr Bleijie.

Mr Bleijie's Issues	Response
The heart of Kawana has been "ripped out" out of the	There is no heart of Kawana. Kawana is a district covering the area from Wurtulla in the South to Buddina in the north. The original area was developed as Kawana Waters.
Electorate.	However the Kawana Electorate also has large parts of Greater Caloundra in it eg Currimundi, Aroona, Currimundi West, Meridan Plains and parts of Little Mountain.
Community Spirit is in Kawana not Buderim	The suggestion that community spirit will be lost is rubbish. Look at the areas like Little Mountain that are in Kawana electorate but are much closer to Caloundra. Community spirit does not come from politicians or electorate boundaries.
Residents are encouraged to lodge submissions – see Facebook page, media statements.	Once again Mr Bleijie has assertively encouraged residents to oppose the changeswithout any thought to the residents in southern parts of the Kawana electorate.
How can you have Kawana without the Kawana shopping Centre or Library	This is not relevant. The Beerwah library is in the Caloundra electorate; Libraries don't normally have names based on the Electorate rather the community they serve.
Distance from electorate office goes from 5 mins to 20 mins	If you live in the southern parts of Kawana is it 30 mins.up Nicklin Way to the current electorate office? Don't these residents matter? In any case most constituents use email to contact their local members.
Haven't considered community of interest	Once again I would suggest that the southern parts of the Kawana electorate have no community of interest with the Kawana area, more so Caloundra; but no mention of their needs?

#### Now let's look at the political results arising from the proposed changes.

Loss of Buddina, Kawana Island and Minyama and addition of Currimundi from Caloundra

2015 Two Party Preferred Booth Results

Booth	LNP	Labor	Change
Minyama	684	238	446
Buddina	1198	814	384
Currimundi	926	1131	205
Total change			1035

#### Political Outcome if proposed changes are implemented

The above two Party preferred results do not provide the full story as the do not include Prepoll results which are not available at the booth level, suffice to say that the that change in primary votes for the LNP in Kawana brought on by the proposed boundary changes are likely to be in the vicinity of 5%.

#### Conclusion

The proposed change to the Kawana boundaries is likely to reduce the current margin by between 4% and 5% and I would assert that this is the primary motivation for such an orchestrated campaign run by the current Member for Kawana.

Michael Hallam Michael.hallam@hotmail.com Online submission for Redlands, Springwood

Name: Bryn Maidment Address: 111 Henderson Rd Sheldon

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#### Text:

I live in Sheldon and feel moving to be part of Springwood would be a bad idea and make us a forgotten area. We have little geographical or community connection to Springwood compared to the multiple connections to Redlands. Secondly we would be a local council under Redlands but a state seat under Springwood . There are quite a few reasons why this is an illogical choice and an ill-thought proposal. Please leave Sheldon under Redlands.

Submission ID: 67682

Time of Submission: 09 Apr 2017 2:04pm

Online submission for All Districts, Redlands, Springwood

Name: Lara Maidment Address: 111 Henderson Rd Sheldon

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#### Text:

No, no, no! I definitely disagree with the rezoning of Sheldon into the Springwood electorate. These areas are completely different to each other. Mt Cotton and Sheldon are known for the bushland, wildlife and acreages. Springwood area a largely commercial / industrial area with a rather large motorway through it. Sheldon and Springwood share only one small road connection. It is obvious what the state will find more important for funding! Our voice will be lost and the issues we find important and have fought so long for will be drowned out by the more populated areas in Logan. Not a good or smart move for Sheldonites and Redlanders. No, no, no!

Submission ID: 67683

Time of Submission: 09 Apr 2017 2:13pm

From:	Boundaries
To:	<u>qrcsubmissions</u>
Subject:	Submission ID: 67684
Date:	Sunday, 9 April 2017 2:22:19 PM

Online submission for Redlands, Springwood

Name: Nathan Maidment Address: 111 Henderson Rd Sheldon

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#### Text:

No! If electorate numbers weren't tinkered with in the first place there would be no need to even consider moving Sheldon into an electorate that it shares nothing with apart from one back road. Stop messing with things and leave alone. This is illogical and makes me think that QRC have no conceptual grasp of how different these areas actually are. Voters in Sheldon have fought long and hard to improve facilities and are making some progress. This progress is jeopardised by this poor proposal and it is clear that Springwood MPs of whatever political persuasion will have little interest in the little plot over the hill. Our current MP has no interest so don't make it doubly hard on us. Leave Sheldon in Redlands. N0!

Submission ID: 67684

Time of Submission: 09 Apr 2017 2:22pm

Online submission for Mansfield, Springwood

Name: Roberta Edes Address: 37 Emu Street Sheldon 4157

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#### Text:

To Whom It May Concern, I understand that Sheldon and Mt Cotton are to be included in the Electorate of Springwood. We have no real community connection to Springwood. Presently, a pocket of Sheldon residents are enrolled in the electorate of Mansfield including ourselves, whilst others are included in the Redlands electorate. It is important for Sheldon to be included into an electorate that is most appropriate to service our community. We have been on the outskirts for far too long. This is an ecologically sensitive district that clearly does not have good representation from government, otherwise needs of the region would have been explored. The Springwood seat is predominantly high density residential and light industry by and large – I have seen no proposal which indicates how these areas are to be effectively co-managed without negatively impacting Mount Cotton and Sheldon. As a resident I am entirely against this re-allocation. Roberta Edes

Submission ID: 67685

Time of Submission: 09 Apr 2017 7:17pm

From:	Boundaries
To:	<u>qrcsubmissions</u>
Subject:	Submission ID: 67687
Date:	Monday, 10 April 2017 11:58:32 AM

Name: Narelle Sutherland Address: 24 Lindon Street Dutton Park

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#### Text:

I am very disappointed to learn that the LNP has lodged an objection to the renaming of Cleveland to Oodgeroo. I grew up in electorate and was very fortunate to meet Ooodgeroo Noonnuccal who was a friend of my grandmothers. Oodgeroo Noonuccal (Kath Walker) was a great Quandamooka Elder and great Australian. Oodgeroo was not just a great poet, educator and leading light of Australian and Indigenous literature and education, she was also a great activist for Aboriginal rights, including voting rights. Her story provides an enduring reminder to all Australians as to why we are privileged to be able to vote. Despite being under the Aboriginals Protection and Restriction of the Sale of Opium Act and not being an Australian Citizen, Oodgeroo joined the Australian Women's Army Service in 1941 and became corporal. She played a key role to reform the Australian constitution to allow Aboriginal people full citizenship, lobbying both Prime Ministers Menzies in 1965, and Holt in 1966. When citizenship occurred Oodgeroo stood as the Australian Labor Party candidate in Greenslopes in the 1969 Queensland State election and as the Australian Democrat candidate for Redlands in the 1983 Queensland election. Oodgeroo was subsequently awarded honorary doctorates from Macquarie University (1988), Griffith University (1989), Monash University (1991), and Queensland University of Technology (1992). She taught and inspired both Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people across the nation over many decades. Due to her achievements, the very name "Oodgeroo" is a representation of why Indigenous Australian's engage in the political process and is an inspiration for us all to vote. If ever there was a compelling and relevant reason to rename an electorate, Oodgeroo Noonuccal is it. I commend the Queensland Redistribution Commission for proposing this electorate name and urge the commission to ignore the LNP's objection to the proposal, and any other objection also, and proceed with the new name of Oodgeroo. Thank you for taking the time to consider my views.

Submission ID: 67687

Time of Submission: 10 Apr 2017 11:58am

Online submission for Redlands

Name: Helen Stoodley Address: 1-215 Shore St West, Cleveland 4163

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#### Text:

I am writing to object to the re-allocation of Mount Cotton and Sheldon from the Redlands district into the State seat of Springwood. There has been no meaningful community consultation or development plan. This is an ecologically sensitive district that clearly does not have good representation from government, otherwise needs of the region would have been explored. The Springwood seat is predominantly high density residential and light industry by and large – I have seen no proposal which indicates how these areas are to be effectively co-managed without negatively impacting Mount Cotton and Sheldon. What a complete failure of governance. As a third generation resident of Redland City I am entirely against this re-allocation.

Submission ID: 67688

Time of Submission: 10 Apr 2017 12:27pm

From:	Boundaries
To:	<u>qrcsubmissions</u>
Subject:	Submission ID: 67689
Date:	Monday, 10 April 2017 12:52:35 PM

Online submission for All Districts

#### Name: margaret anderson

Address: 17 Orange Grove Street Coochiemudlo Island Qld 4184 Text:

I would like to comment on Objection 1491, provided by the Liberal National Party, in particular the following section on the renaming of the current electorate of Cleveland as Oodgeroo: I. Proposed Oodgeroo There are only limited proposals made in respect of the existing district of Cleveland. As a consequence, it remains based on bayside residential suburbs as it has since its creation in 1992 from the then district of Redlands. However, the Commission has taken the opportunity to change the name to Oodgeroo. It is somewhat difficult to comprehend why, when very limited boundary changes are recommended, that the name of the district should be altered. Cleveland is a well established district name with the suburb of Cleveland being the retail and administrative centre of both the district and the City of Redlands. There is a strong sense of community identity which revolves around Cleveland itself and the broader Redlands community. While Oodgeroo Noonuccal is widely recognised as a poet and activist, there do not seem to be compelling reasons to remove the name Cleveland. The fact that the changes proposed by the Commission are extremely limited lessens any valid reasons to change the name of the district at this time. The Liberal National Party recommends the retention of the name Cleveland. I am very disappointed that the LNP has taken this approach, as it is only fitting that at least one electorate in Quandamooka Country have a name that has some connection to the Quandamooka People, who, after all, have been associated with the area for around 20,000 years. In terms of the area's identity Ouandamooka names are actually much more representative of its history and cultural heritage than names such as Cleveland and Redlands. Oodgeroo Noonuccal (Kath Walker) was a great Quandamooka Elder and great Australian. Oodgeroo was not just a great poet, educator and leading light of Australian and Indigenous literature and education, she was also a great activist for Aboriginal rights, including voting rights. Her story provides an enduring reminder to all Australians as to why we are privileged to be able to vote. Despite being under the Aboriginals Protection and Restriction of the Sale of Opium Act and not being an Australian Citizen, Oodgeroo joined the Australian Women's Army Service in 1941 and became corporal. She played a key role to reform the Australian constitution to allow Aboriginal people full citizenship, lobbying both Prime Ministers Menzies in 1965, and Holt in 1966. When citizenship occurred Oodgeroo stood as the Australian Labor Party candidate in Greenslopes in the 1969 Queensland State election and as the Australian Democrat candidate for Redlands in the 1983 Queensland election. Oodgeroo was subsequently awarded honorary doctorates from Macquarie University (1988), Griffith University (1989), Monash University (1991), and Queensland University of Technology (1992). She taught and inspired both Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people across the nation over many decades. Due to her achievements, the very name "Oodgeroo" is a representation of why Indigenous Australian's engage in the political process and is an inspiration for us all to vote. If ever there was a compelling and relevant reason to rename an electorate, Oodgeroo Noonuccal is it. I commend the Queensland Redistribution Commission for proposing this electorate name and urge the commission to ignore the LNP's objection to the proposal, and any other objection also, and proceed with the new name of Oodgeroo. Thank you for taking the time to consider my views. Name: Margaret Anderson Address: 17 Orange Grove Street Coochiemudlo Island Qld 4184

Submission ID: 67689 Time of Submission: 10 Apr 2017 12:52pm Submission IP Address: 43.245.40.214 Online submission for All Districts, Redlands

Name: Barbara Armitage Address: 23 Pinelands Cct, Redland Bay, Qld 4165

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#### Text:

I dislike the name Oodjeroo, and do not agree with the name change.

Submission ID: 67692

Time of Submission: 10 Apr 2017 4:19pm

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Name: Penny Allman-Payne Address: 10 Woodrow Place, Cleveland, QLD, 4163

Name: Elizabeth Johnston Address: 16 Samaria Way Point Lookout 4183

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#### Text:

Oodgeroo was a wonderful poet and artist and a great warrior on behalf of her people and the island she called home, Minjerribah. I fully and enthusiastically support naming the electorate in her honour.

Submission ID: 67693

Time of Submission: 10 Apr 2017 10:39pm

Name: Robert Wills Address: 30 Samarinda Way Point Lookout QLD 4183

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#### Text:

I support the name change of my electorate from Cleveland to Oodgeroo. Oodgeroo was and is - intimately associated with this part of the world and we should recognise this formally in the name of the electorate.

Submission ID: 67694

Time of Submission: 11 Apr 2017 3:42pm

Name: Erin Miller Address: 37a Morris Cct Thornlands Qld 4164

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#### Text:

A brief submission to state my support for the change of name to Oodgeroo. This area has a rich, celebrated and continuous connection with its indigenous peoples and it should be both recognised and supported. It is a fitting tribute to the amazing Kath Walker and stands to encourage pride in our shared histories. Kath Walker straddled cultures and shone in both; aspiration building for young indigenous peoples and equally so for those of European descent who are still learning to recognise our past. As stated, I submit that the newly adopted name of Oodgeroo should remain in replacement for the previous name of Cleveland which represents just one suburb within electoral boundary and ignores the inclusion of the bay islands.

Submission ID: 67695

Time of Submission: 11 Apr 2017 3:51pm

Name: Garry Goodey Address: 3 Rainbow Crescent, Dunwich, Q4183

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**Text:** I would like it known that this electorate should be renamed Oodgeroo.

Submission ID: 67696

Time of Submission: 11 Apr 2017 3:57pm

Name: Paul Smith Address: 129 Rainbow crescent, Dunwich 4183

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#### Text:

I feel that the name of the electorate of Cleveland should either remain the same, or be named Quandamooka in recognition of the 2011 native title claim over most of the electorate. If a name change is necessary, it could be called Quandamooka. To name it Oodgeroo only recognises one individual of one family group of 12 families that make up the three tribes of Quandamooka people.

Submission ID: 67697

Time of Submission: 11 Apr 2017 3:57pm

#### Name: COLIN JONATHAN GOEBEL Address: 82 MOOLOOMBA RD PT LOOKOUT STRADBROKE ISLAND Q4183

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Text:

I strongly support the name OODGEROO for my electorate. OODGEROO WAS A PROUD AND ACCOMPLISHED QUANDAMOOKA WOMAN WHOSE FAMILY HAS LIVED IN THIS AREA FOR THOUSANDS OF YEARS BEFORE IT WAS NAMED CLEVELAND --POSSIBLY AFTER A PLACE IN ENGLAND.--OODGEROO means paperbark, a tree that is prolific here. First Nations language names are very appropriate for modern names of places.

Submission ID: 67698

Time of Submission: 11 Apr 2017 4:34pm

Name: wayne carne Address: po box 203 pt lookout 4183

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**Text:** i am happy for the name to change

Submission ID: 67699

Time of Submission: 11 Apr 2017 4:59pm

From:	Boundaries
To:	<u>qrcsubmissions</u>
Subject:	Submission ID: 67700
Date:	Tuesday, 11 April 2017 5:34:49 PM

Name: Christopher Day Address: 3 Rainbow Crescent Dunwich Q4183

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#### Text:

No better fitting name than Oodgeroo to honour the legacy by one of the electorates most prominent First Nation peoples. Aunty Kath - proud activist, poet, educator, author and custodian of these lands and waters - deserves the electorate to be renamed in her honour. In 2017/2018 it is about time the electorate represented true origins - not those of invaders. A true "Legacy" for the upcoming commonwealth games too. "To our children's children, a glad tomorrow" - Kath Oodgeroo Walker.

Submission ID: 67700

Time of Submission: 11 Apr 2017 5:34pm

Name: David May Address: 16 Samarinda Way Point Lookout 4183

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#### Text:

I strongly support renaming the Cleveland electorate Oodgeroo to honour one of the district's most respected late elders.

Submission ID: 67701

Time of Submission: 11 Apr 2017 5:45pm

From:BoundariesTo:grcsubmissionsSubject:Submission ID: 67702Date:Tuesday, 11 April 2017 9:30:37 PM

Online submission for Oodgeroo

Name: Barbara Hemsley Address: 18 Kawana Street Amity Point Qld 4183

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#### Text:

I support the change of name from Cleveland to Oodgeroo, in recognition of this amazing indigenous woman from North Stradbroke Island, and her substantial contributions to Australian culture, society and Aboriginal rights.

Submission ID: 67702

Time of Submission: 11 Apr 2017 9:30pm

Name: Janeen Bulsey Address: 1 Beech Links Drive Ashfield Qld 4163

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#### Text:

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Submission ID: 69232

Time of Submission: 12 Apr 2017 12:56pm

Online submission for All Districts

Name: Freja Carmichael Address: 1/204 Lower Hardgrave Road West End Q 4101

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Submission ID: 69233

Time of Submission: 12 Apr 2017 12:57pm

Online submission for Oodgeroo

Name: Janice Aldenhoven Address: 65 Tramican Street Point Lookout, QLD, 4183

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#### Text:

I lodge my very strong support for the renaming of the Cleveland Electorate Oodgeroo. Given the electorate is Quandamooka Country and native title was recognised in 2011, this is a wonderful opportunity to further acknowledge the 20,000 year human history and name the electoral after a significant Quandamooka person. Oodgeroo Noonuccal was a strong campaigner for Aboriginal rights. She was also a writer, activist, educator and advocate for the environment of her island home. Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission.

Submission ID: 69234

Time of Submission: 12 Apr 2017 1:42pm

Online submission for Oodgeroo

Name: Jacqueline Cooper Address: 19 Waller Court, Point Lookout 4183

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#### Text:

I support the renaming of the electorate to Oodgeroo. This is recognition of a significant local poet, writer, educator and environmentalist. It also recognises the ancient ownership of Moreton Bay/Quandamooka. These connections have a major bearing on the authentic name the electorate should rightfully be given.

Submission ID: 69235

Time of Submission: 12 Apr 2017 2:05pm

From:	Boundaries
To:	<u>qrcsubmissions</u>
Subject:	Submission ID: 69236
Date:	Wednesday, 12 April 2017 2:21:49 PM

Online submission for Mcmaster

Name: Kalamia Cane Growers Organisation Ltd. Address: 140 Young Street Ayr Qld 4807

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#### Text:

Kalamia Cane Growers Organisation Ltd (KCGOL) is a not for profit, member focused service association. KCGOL is an independent grower's organisation which represents approximately 150 sugar cane growers in the Burdekin region. At present, these growers supply approximately 1.6 million tonnes of cane annually to Wilmar's four sugar mills. The principal objective of KCGOL is to improve and sustain the profitability and viability of its sugar cane growing members, the sugar cane industry and the Burdekin region. KCGOL would like to take this opportunity to support objections raised by Burdekin Shire Council (objection no. 1297) in relation to renaming current electorate of "Burdekin" to "Mcmaster", a name that few people in the current electorate have heard of or whom bears any real significance to the Burdekin Region. Burdekin is widely known and is reflective of majority of the populated area throughout the proposed new electorate with substantial economic ties to the Burdekin River Catchment area. Accordingly KCGOL is strongly opposed to renaming electorate to "Mcmaster" and requests that the name of "Burdekin" be retained. Would also like to take this opportunity to voice our objection to the boundary realignment to a north/south direction extending electorate area creating a challenge for elected member to effectively service his/her constituents simply due to size and distance. KCGOL would as an alternative would prefer for electorate to be expanded in a westerly direction taking into account the district of Charters Towers whom the Burdekin has stronger economic and social ties with. Thank you for the opportunity.

Submission ID: 69236

Time of Submission: 12 Apr 2017 2:21pm

Online submission for All Districts, Oodgeroo

Name: Michael Costelloe Address: 135 Bainbridge Street Ormiston Qld 4160

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#### Text:

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Submission ID: 69237

Time of Submission: 12 Apr 2017 2:35pm

From:	Carol
To:	Boundaries
Subject:	Objection 1491 - Oodgeroo electorate
Date:	Wednesday, 12 April 2017 2:40:51 PM

Queensland electoral redistribution 2017 - Oodgeroo electorate

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Thank you for taking the time to consider my views. Name: Carol McGregor

Address: PO Box 177 Ashgrove QLD 4060 Phone: N/A

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10 April 2017

The Secretary Queensland Redistribution Commission GPO Box 1393 Brisbane QLD 4001

#### Re: Electorate boundary changes - Gympie, Noosa and Nicklin electorates

Dear Sir/Madam

The Heart of Pomona Committee (HOP) met last week to consider the proposed changes to electoral boundaries in Queensland that would see the town of Pomona, in the Noosa Hinterland, taken from the Gympie electorate, where it is now, and placed in the Nicklin electorate, based on Nambour.

HOP formed in 2014 and is concerned with the economic and social advancement of the people of Pomona and the surrounding district. There is a strong inter-dependence among the communities of Pomona, Federal, Cooran, Kin Kin and Boreen Point that requires all these towns and villages to be moved collectively to the one single electorate and not split up, as proposed.

HOP notes the submission to the Queensland Redistribution Commission by Mr Brian O'Connor, a local resident, which spells out the argument for Pomona to be included in the Noosa electorate, together with its satellite communities, and not grouped with Cooroy in the Nicklin electorate. While there are connections between Cooroy and Pomona, they are not as significant as Pomona's economic and social ties with the other communities of the northern Noosa Hinterland. Until the 1980s, Pomona was the original headquarters town of Noosa Shire. Its Police District and Courthouse administration area includes the towns mentioned above. Historic social connections exist among the towns, while Pomona acts as a service centre for about 8000 people, excluding Cooroy.

The parameters in which the Commission must work, having regard to population numbers within various electorates, would seem to allow for the approximately 3000 people living in and around Pomona to be included in the Noosa electorate without adversely affecting the distribution formulae. Please reconsider your decision to include Pomona in the Nicklin electorate. Our preference is to be included in the Noosa electorate.

Yours sincerely

STEPHEN HILDITCH

Co-facilitator - Heart of Pomona Committee

Online submission for All Districts, Oodgeroo

Name: Gail Bell Address: 4 Cook Street Amity Point. 4183

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#### Text:

I had the good fortune of working beside Kath Walker in the anti-bridge to North Stradbroke Island fight and with a number of environmental campaigns. I also witnessed her enormous contribution to the education of young people, the advancement of her people and the custodianship of her cultural heritage. Later, as Oodgeroo Noonuccal, she carried on the good fight for her people and her beloved island and was one of the leading advocates for the subsequently successful Native Title determination of Quandamooka country. It is, therefore, most fitting that the State electorate encompassing her homeland be named Oodgeroo in honour of her multiple achievements.

Submission ID: 69239

Time of Submission: 12 Apr 2017 3:04pm

Online submission for Oodgeroo

Name: Elinor Drake Address: 25 midjimberry road Point lookout Qld 4183

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#### Text:

Oodgeroo Noonuckle was an indigenous leader, poet, artist, and conservationist. She was a highly respected member of this community, and the kind of person anyone would admire and applaud as a role model citizen in a democratic society.

Submission ID: 69240

Time of Submission: 12 Apr 2017 3:41pm

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11 April 2017

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Mr Walter Van de Merwe Commissioner **Electoral Commission of Queensland GPO Box 1393** Brisbane QLD 4001 ecq@ecq.qld.gov.au

**Dear Commissioner** 

#### Comments invited on submissions with regard to the proposed state seat of Jordan

I write to provide comment with respect to the many submissions received by the Commisioner relating to the propsoed seat of Jordan, which I note is based on the geographical area of Springfield and its surrounds.

Broadly, I strongly support the thrust of the majority of submissions, which call for the seat to be called *Springfield* in order to better refect not just its locality but context as a principal place of regional activity.

Submission #230 by Mr Shayne Nuemann MP, the federal Labor member for Blair, supports the new seat to be called Springfield. Mr Nuemann firstly cites the lack of direct historic association that the name Jordan has with the area given that its namesake was a former local councillor in an electorate some distance away. Secondly, he notes the expanding nature and growth of the region which is specifically centered on Springfield. Submission #1527 by Mr Mark Yore picks-up on the lack of affinity of some new names in the state redistribution as a point of general concern. I support the assertion that the name Jordan does not have any direct historic association and that geographical names would be better suited.

In the context of growth, I agree with Mr Nuemann as well as the following submissions which significantly point to Springfield's 'identity' or 'special identity' as a reason for having Springield as the preferred name:

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#1491 by the state Liberal National Party; #1532 by Mr John Cherry and #1303 by Mr Peter Wellington MP, Speaker of the Queensland Parliament.

Use of the term 'identity' in this context must capture the growth and maturity of the Springfield community since the Springfield Rezoning Act 1997 was passed unanimously by the Queensland parliament. As a rapidly expanding development, Springfield has attracted

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Springfield Asset Holdings (Health) Pty Ltd ACN 604 065 429

more than \$13 billion dollars in both private and public investment and continues to draw national and international attention based upon its name and association with commerce and community. It is regarded as a billion dollar contributor to the Queensland economy by the state government. As a recognized place of concentrated activity, Springfield has more than a dozen schools and a university with 44.6% of the population enrolled in some form of learning. Many businesses including General Electric (GE) state headquarters have established themselves in Greater Springfield. The local Springfield chamber of commerce is the largest in the region. It's estimated that the population will rise to 140,000 by 2030.

Submission #929 by Mr Charles Estaban says that the communty would be better connected to the parliament if the name of *Springfield* was extended naturally to the floor of the house. I agree with that and #1399 Mr Mark Mulcair's view that having the new seat of Springfield would directly be associated with a region already widely known by that name and that maintaining that name would prevent "confusion."

Mr Wellington (#1303) questions the why it would not be named Springfield from a practical sense and I would agree. For the past 25 years the rise of Springfield from almost nothing to an important centre for innovation and strong investment has seen a direct association with the expansion of the area to the name. Springfield as a name and destination is now synonomous with setting strong examples in long-term masterplanning and community building, utilising economic drivers such as health, education and information technology.

In summary, the thrust of most submissions appears to articulate the strength of the name *Springfield* as the preferred name for the new seat because it better captures the exisitng long-term identity, strength and locality of the region. I concur.

Yours sincerely Springfield Lang Corporation Pty Ltd

MAHA SINNATHAMBY CHAIRMAN

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Name: Graham Thurlow Address: 14 Manly Street Birkdale 4159 Queensland Redistribution Commission

To whom it may concern,

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Only yesterday I was in the area under dispute, west of Tor St and north of Glenvale road, an area which is presently (and logically) in Toowoomba South. I was there because some colleagues and myself are planning to develop a new medical centre there to serve the western part of Toowoomba, in particular the rapidly growing Glenvale region. We are planning to build in that area because it naturally drains the south-west residential areas. This disputed area looks south-west, into Toowoomba South – certainly not north-east to Toowoomba North.

The ALP proposal is misconceived for two reasons.

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I hope this clarification of the "facts on the ground" is of help in preventing this misconceived proposal by the ALP.

Yours faithfully,

David van Gend 28 Arthur St Toowoomba 4350

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Name: Samantha O'Connor Address: 42 Pleasant Drive Albany Creek Online submission for **Oodgeroo** 

Name: Ngaire McLean Address: 34/49 DICKSON WAY

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Please keep this name change. I fully support it. Oodgeroo deserves all the recognition she can get as a unique and influential poet and activist.

Submission ID: 69241

Time of Submission: 12 Apr 2017 10:54pm

#### Hello,

I would like to express my enthusiastic support for changing the name of my electorate, <u>Cleveland, to Oodgeroo. Besides the fact that it is Q</u>uandamooka Country, and that Oodgeroo was a prominent Quandamooka person and Australian - a writer, world-renowned poet, activist, educator, who was passionate about the region's natural environment, this small gesture would contribute significantly to reconciliation efforts.

Historians remain uncertain about the origin of the name 'Cleveland' and believe that it may have been chosen my Captain Cook as a tribute to British politician, Member of Parliament (MP) 1741–1763, Secretary to the Admiralty 1751–1763, John Clevland (correct spelling) about whom next to nothing is known and what information there is, is less than awe inspiring. Besides the uncertainty and the misspelling of the electorate's original name, changing its name could not possibly cause any offence, but instead will demonstrate much deserved respect for our native people.

Lee K Curtis 1 Samarinda Drive Pt Lookout, QLD 4183

I am currently in the United States until 2 May so please correspond with me via email.

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Lee K Curtis Writer, Editor, Project Manager



Online submission for Coomera, Macalister, Theodore

Name: Georgia Stanton Address: Upper Coomera (the Theodore side)

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I am writing in respectful response to the objection made by my local member, Mark Boothman MP (#758)

(The suggestion is that the proposed 'Theodore' be named 'Albert' in memory of the Albert Shire Council)

The four most prominent institutions associated with the Albert name are surely the Albert River, the Albert Shire Council, the Albert and Logan News, and the current seat of Albert.

The Albert River touches the proposed electorates of Macalister, Coomera, Logan, and Scenic Rim. The Albert Shire Council in its latest form spread from Beenleigh (which would for several years following the Shire of Albert be considered part of the Gold Coast) down to Nerang. This roughly covers the proposed Macalister, Coomera, Theodore, Gaven, and parts of the surrounds. The Albert and Logan news delivers from Rochedale down to Ormeau (so most Logan-based seats including Macalister, and Coomera). Finally, of course, the current seat of Albert reaches from Beenleigh down to Oxenford, and is being split between the proposed electorates of Macalister, Coomera, and Theodore. In fact, I'm not sure why Theodore is considered the 'new Albert'; arguably, any of the three could be given that title.

I agree in principal with the idea of retaining the use of 'Albert' as an electorate name in memory of the Albert Shire Council; it's been interesting reading more about it, as well as Edward Granville Theodore. To my mind, however, and based on the above reasoning, the most appropriate area for the 'Albert' name would not be in place of 'Theodore' but in place of 'Macalister' or 'Coomera' (either of these could be changed to Albert without causing much grief - as I noted in my own submission, 'Coomera' is no longer an accurate descriptor for the proposed Coomera electorate, and of course the 'Macalister' name is new).

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I trust that my reasoning will be of value to your deliberations.

Yours faithfully,

A. Neil C. Munro 6 Burke Street Toowoomba 4350

From:	Boundaries
To:	<u>qrcsubmissions</u>
Subject:	Submission ID: 69243
Date:	Thursday, 13 April 2017 11:42:19 AM

#### Online submission for All Districts

Name: Briohny Jones Address: 68 Hargrave Street, Thursday Island, QLD, 4875

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### **BOULIA SHIRE COUNCIL**

Our Ref:

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2017

The Secretary Queensland Redistribution Commission GPO Box 1393 BRISBANE QLD 4001

#### QLD ELECTORAL BOUNDARY REDISTRIBUTION

Dear Sir/ Madam

Thank you for considering the submission from Boulia Shire Council regarding the review of State electorate boundaries.

I wish to comment regarding Boulia Shire which is currently in the electorate of Mount Isa. I am concerned that the commission may consider moving the southern boundary of Mount Isa northwards which will place our southern neighbours (Diamantina Shire) and our eastern neighbours (Winton Shire) in the Gregory electorate and leave Boulia Shire placed in the newly named Traeger electorate (formerly Mount Isa).

Boulia Shire Council is an integral part of the Remote Area Planning and Development Board (RAPAD) which consists of seven councils: Barcoo, Barcaldine, Blackall-Tambo, Boulia, Diamantina, Longreach and Winton. RAPAD provides the incubator to support and develop the Outback Regional Road Group, Outback Regional Water Alliance and Central West Pest Management Group. These groups are functional and have achieved outstanding savings in economies of scale projects completed across all seven shires.

A vital consideration in the sustainability of a small remote community such as Boulia is the need to address tourism as a major economic driver. Several years ago Boulia, Diamantina and Barcoo combined to create the Far West Alliance (tourism) which enables each of the councils to attend trade shows across the country providing exposure which is far greater than each of the councils could provide on their own. Again, a link forged over many years which is vitally important to the region as a whole.

Boulia Shire, Capital of the Channel Country, has strong cultural and economic links within the Gregory electorate being part of the Lake Eyre Basin sharing not only a natural geographical base but also a shared economic base.

This shared identity is reflected in the way state and federal government services are administered on the ground. For instance all distance education for this area is delivered from Longreach School of Distance Education. The state government health service is delivered via the Central West Health and Hospital Board and Boulia's federal health component is covered by the same Primary Health Network as many of the other communities within Gregory electorate.

Boulia Shire have tenable links with their southern counterparts in the Gregory electorate which have been forged over many years which are successful and focus on benefits for the entire region. This cohesive bond does not exist between Boulia and the Mount Isa electorate (Traeger), either, in the delivery of services, the economic climate nor the geographical area. It is much like mixing oil and water.

We respectfully request that our request to be aligned with the Gregory electorate with the re-aligning of boundaries due to the following commonalities:

- RAPAD a strong functioning group focussing of regional issues.
  - Outback Regional Road Group
  - Outback Water Alliance
  - Central West Regional pest Management Group
- Health service delivery Central West Health and Hospital Board.(Longreach)
- Federal Health Primary Health Network (Longreach)
- Economic and geographical similarities Desert Channels Queensland

This is the first expansion of the Queensland parliament since 1986 and will see seats increase from 89 to 93 it is for this very reason that careful consideration be given to the correct alignment of those seats to ensure the best possible representation is provided to the people.

To re-align Boulia into the Gregory electorate will have little impact on the overall numbers of voters in the electorate but if not aligned with Gregory will have significant impact on the functionality of the groups which work within the electorate.

In 2015, the election enrolment was listed as just under 3 million electors, and average of 33,496 electors per district.

The Boulia Shire electorate has a total population of 480 inclusive of men, women and children and as such will have very little impact on the balance of power between electorates.

Thank you for your consideration in this important, life changing proposal.

Should you wish to receive further clarification on any of the above issues raised please feel free to contact, Ms Lynn Moore, Chief Executive Officer, Boulia Shire Council (07 4746 3188).

Yours sincerely

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Mr Eric (Rick) Britton Mayor, Boulia Shire Council

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### ANDREW CRIPPS MP MEMBER FOR HINCHINBROOK

13 April 2017

The Secretary Queensland Redistribution Commission GPO Box 1393 BRISBANE, QLD, 4001

#### Dear Secretary,

I thank the Commission for this opportunity to comment on the objections submitted to it by the general public, in relation to the proposed boundaries for the redistribution of state electoral districts. I intend to confine my remarks to the objections that relate to the proposed redistribution of the state electoral district of Hinchinbrook.

Broadly, in relation to the Hinchinbrook electorate, the Commission's proposal would (1) move the northern boundary from the southern outskirts of Innisfail to just south of Tully, (2) include Palm Island in the Hinchinbrook electorate and (3) amend the southern boundary to include more northern suburbs of the City of Townsville.

#### NORTHERN BOUNDARY OF HINCHINBROOK

**Objection 351** (Cynthia Sabag) and **Objection 380** (Ann Brink) from local residents deal with the unusual proposal by the Commission to place Tully Heads and Hull Heads in the new seat of Hill, despite being required to travel through the proposed seat of Hinchinbrook for some distance to get to their local service centre in Tully.

I concur with these objections that Tully Heads and Hull Heads should be included in proposed Hinchinbrook. However, Tully is the local service centre for all localities in the Cassowary Coast Region within proposed Hinchinbrook. This brings us to the wider need to move the northern boundary of proposed Hinchinbrook further north.

Quite a number of objections submitted to the Commission support the northern boundary of proposed Hinchinbrook being moved further north, for a variety of reasons. These relate to arguments around connecting small communities to service centres, various measures of community of interest and basic geography.

**Objection 914** (Andrew Schebella), **Objection 1465** (Cassowary Coast Regional Council) and **Objection 1508** (Tully Canegrowers), all argue that the rural and agricultural areas of the Cassowary Coast Region should not be divided as they are, although each of them do so for different reasons and from different points of view.

Recognising the natural geographic barrier presented by Far North Queensland's coastal ranges, Mr Schebella argues Mareeba should be included in an electorate with the balance of the Tablelands, within the new electorate of Hill and that coastal communities in Hill would be better represented in a coastal seat like Hinchinbrook.

Although the objection from the Cassowary Coast Regional Council proposes to move the northern boundary of the Hinchinbrook electorate further south (the only submission to do so), it essentially raises the same concerns about communities that should otherwise be connected, being divided by state electorate boundaries.

Tully Canegrowers argues that the northern boundary of proposed Hinchinbrook should be moved further north to include all communities supplying cane to the Tully Mill (including at least El Arish and potentially Silkwood and Kurrimine Beach) and noted the differences between industry on the coast and hinterland industries.

In my view, at the very minimum, the northern boundary of proposed Hinchinbrook should be moved north to include the Tully district, Mission Beach and El Arish. Along with communities south to Cardwell, all of these share the town of Tully as their local service centre and should be included in the same state electorate.

**Objection 569** (Hinchinbrook Shire Council), **Objection 1452** (Hinchinbrook Chamber of Commerce) and **Objection 1512** (Herbert River Canegrowers), all express a preference for the northern boundary of the Hinchinbrook electorate to encompass more of the rural and agricultural areas of the Cassowary Coast Region.

These organisations from the Herbert River district have all made it clear they are concerned the Commission's draft boundaries will significantly alter the nature and character of the Hinchinbrook electorate, making it a primarily suburban seat based in Townsville and marginalising the remaining rural and agricultural interests.

The Hinchinbrook Shire Council points to the numerous statutory and non-statutory organisational links between the Herbert River district and the Cassowary Coast Region, while the Hinchinbrook Chamber of Commerce argues that the Bruce Highway is a major and critical common transport link between the same areas.

Similarly, Herbert River Canegrowers submits that the Hinchinbrook electorate would ideally contain the coastal cane growing areas in the Cassowary Coast Region and the Herbert River district, given the similarities in their agricultural production systems and the consequential communities of interest that naturally delivers.

I would note that **Objection 1487** (Townsville Enterprise) has also expressed concerns about the changing nature and character of proposed Hinchinbrook to become a primarily urban seat based on Townsville's northern suburbs. I note these concerns have been submitted among some wider regional observations.

Obviously, these movements in the northern boundary of the Hinchinbrook electorate have subsequent ramifications for other proposed electorates in the region. In this regard, there are a number of proposed approaches that the Commission may consider to address some widespread concerns about these draft boundaries.

I support the strategy outlined in **Objection 1491** (LNP), which describes subsequent and desired changes to the new seat of Hill and the proposed seat of Mulgrave, which accommodate a northerly adjustment to the northern boundary of Hinchinbrook. However, I would readily support a boundary even further north.

Another strategy that would allow the northern boundary of Hinchinbrook to be adjusted further north is outlined in **Objection 1282** (Bob Richardson), who has also identified Far North Queensland's coastal mountain ranges as a major geographical feature, which distinctly separate the Tablelands region from coastal communities.

Mr Richardson's objection focuses on the new seat of Hill and proposes it be established as a Tablelands based electorate, not extending over the range to take in coastal communities, but instead being supplemented by including the southern and northern Gulf local government areas of Etheridge, Croydon and Carpentaria.

There is support for such a proposal from residents and industry groups in these areas. **Objection 1028** (Kylie Camp) argues that these communities would be better serviced through links to the Tablelands via the Savannah Way. Barry Hughes, from the Gulf Cattleman's Association, makes the same assertion in **Objection 1434**.

In support of his proposal, Mr Richardson identifies a number of subsequent changes to seats across Far North Queensland and North Queensland. As part of his submission, Mr Richardson proposes a northern boundary for the Hinchinbrook electorate at Liverpool Creek. This is a sensible and recognisable local boundary.

#### PALM ISLAND

I am unable to identify any public submissions that support the Commission's proposal to include the Palm Island Shire Council area in the Hinchinbrook electorate. The Commission's proposal does not consider the communities of interest, or transport and service links between Townsville and Palm Island at all.

**Objection 1335** (Palm Island Shire Council), is the most relevant submission on this issue and is accompanied by supporting correspondence from education, health and transport providers to Palm Island. Several other submissions, notably, **Objection 1439** (Member for Townsville) and **Objection 1541** (Queensland Labor) concur.

#### SOUTHERN BOUNDARY OF HINCHINBROOK

I support the proposal outlined in **Objection 1491** (LNP), which suggests the existing southern boundary of the Hinchinbrook electorate should be retained. The removal of Palm Island, with the inclusion of more communities at the northern end (Tully and Hull Heads, Tully, Mission Beach and El Arish), would see the seat remain in quota.

However, as I have already referenced it earlier, I would note that **Objection 1282** (Bob Richardson), presents an alternative Far North Queensland and North Queensland wide strategy, which touches on this matter. I note Mr Richardson also proposes to maintain the existing southern boundary of the Hinchinbrook electorate.

Yours sincerely

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Andrew Cripps MP *Member for Hinchinbrook* 

Online submission for All Districts

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The Secretary

Queensland Redistribution Commission

GPO Box 1393

BRISBANE, QLD, 4001

Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank-you for the opportunity to comment on the objections for the recent state redistribution. It does appear that from my reading that there are a few key issues which have been raised: some that would require minimal changes while there are a few that do propose challenges to rectify, if at all possible, in the timeframes allowed.

1. The new names of divisions have hit a raw nerve across the state. There appears to be consensus that electorate names in Queensland should be geographical. Many contributors, including myself, have put forward some alternatives that should be considered. There is certainly strong support to retain Brisbane Central, Pine Rivers, Burdekin and Mt. Isa on the electoral map. Those that have contributed alternative names of a historical or geographical nature of other seats should be considered.

2. Minor boundary changes on the Sunshine Coast must be seriously considered. The campaign from Jarrod Bleijie in Kawana is understandable. Exchanging the area south of the Mooloolah River for Sippy Downs in Buderim does seem a logical change. Likewise with the inclusion of Rainbow Beach into the Noosa electorate. It made no sense to include a town that is not easily accessible to the main centre of the electorate and exclude areas with far closer ties. There is no reason to not reinstate Rainbow Beach into Gympie in exchange for areas in the vicinity of Pomona, Cooroy or Lake Weyba to be included into Noosa.

3. There were some good suggestions provided by a small group of people and community representatives about some minor boundary changes that could have easily been overseen by people not familiar with the area. These include areas between Everton and Ferny Grove; Maiwar and Moggill; Waterford, Springwood and Mansfield; Miller and Toohey; and others. These are suggestions that should not be dismissed without due consideration, even if compromises are found.

4. The abolition of Dalrymple has created a fair bit of controversy, as well as many questionable flow on effects with electorate boundaries. While its abolition is well justified on numbers, it does not take into account the flow on effects, especially with the impact on Callide, which have placed towns without common community of interests together. The size of Mt. Isa (Traeger) is always going to be an issue with any redistribution, but to include Charters Towers into the seat does take this idea too far. While there should be support for western seats to take an eastwest axis, to take Mt. Isa (Traeger) essentially as far as Townsville is asking too much of the local member, no matter how diligent a member is. The suggestion by several contributors such as the Burdekin Shire Council and Townsville Enterprise has merit with placing Charters Towers into a Burdekin-based seat. The Ayr and Charters Towers regions are in similar proximity to Townsville, can be accessed to each other easily without having to enter Townsville, and are connected directly to the Burdekin River itself. This would make a new Burdekin seat one that effectively circles Townsville rather than stretching into the Bowen Basin which tends to look towards Mackay. This in turn would reduce the size of Mt. Isa (Traeger) to close to its current eastern extremity.

This change would require many changes with surrounding seats and will have some flow on, especially with the rural seats. I have given some thought on how this could be managed, though not perfectly, to help solve the problem with Callide creeping into Calliope, Miles and Chinchilla.

• The southern areas of proposed Burdekin (McMaster) could either be incorporated into Mirani and/or Gregory (e.g. Clermont into Gregory and Moranbah into Mirani). This would allow Mirani to contract back

towards Mackay and not loop around Rockhampton. This would also unite most, if not all of Isaac Regional Council into one seat.

- Areas currently in Mirani in the Rockhampton Regional Council area around Mt. Morgan and along the Capricorn Highway could be placed in Callide. In addition, the areas between Rockhampton and Gladstone in the Gladstone electorate could also be placed into Callide in exchange for Calliope to be placed into Gladstone.
- Placing Miles, Jandowae and Chinchilla in Callide when Dalby, Tara and Condamine are in Warrego is a
  nonsense. All of these towns should be in electorates based on the Darling Downs or Western Downs and
  Maranoa. This could be done with changes to the Southern Downs electorate, without losing community of
  interests. While the Commission has tried to limit the movement of electors between divisions with no
  changes to Southern Downs, this objective may have to be discarded to achieve a great community of
  interest on the Western Downs. Southern Downs could be focused on the area between Toowoomba and
  the border and west to Millmerran still classed as the Southern Downs. The areas of Condamine this moves
  into could be moved to expand into Dalby and so allow the movement of the Dalby electors of Warrego to
  move into the Western Downs areas proposed in Callide. The removal of Goondiwindi Regional Council from
  Southern Downs may not be ideal, but Goondiwindi does associate with the areas located in Warrego given
  its location at a major crossroads.

While I accept that it is perhaps too late to make wholesale changes such as the ones I have offered, I do believe that there is significant merit in the idea. Unfortunately, it does seem that no matter that happens, Mt. Isa (Traeger) will be oversized and Gregory is quickly catching up. Regardless, having these seats extend the whole width of the state should be avoided if possible.

Yours sincerely

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Final analysis of comments on objections and proposed final amendments to address the majority of those objections

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#### Wow!

And I thought the 791 objections the AEC received to their draft boundaries for NSW in 2015 was massive.

So here we are at the final contribution phase and the Commissioners have 1,546 objections to read, plus all these comments on the 1546 objections, before they go away and determine the final boundaries.

As someone who has been involved in this process from the start; I would like to pass comment on at least some of the other 1,545 objections received by the Commission.

Whilst I can't say that I read every word of every objection – it took me a week to get through them all as it was! I did read enough words from each objection to categorise each of the single-issue objections and some of these will be elaborated on below.

The multi-issue objections took a bit more time to get through.

As has become the case in most other Commonwealth, State and Territory Redistributions, some proposed changes received lots of feedback, others got almost none.

There are some individuals – whether they are members of parliament, media, people on committees, or just private individuals; who will mobilise for mass input into this part of the process. That has certainly happened in this instance.

There appear to be some people who raise objections for objection's sake. Many of these objections are nothing more than extraneous. Other objections are based on an incorrect interpretation of what is actually proposed. I found some were based on media articles that had jumped to flawed conclusions; others thought that it was Local Government boundaries that were being re-drawn.

Unfortunately, there is no pre-requisite for people to be objectively, nor fully informed about the proposed changes, before they get to submit a comment on those changes.

My final submission will focus on the single-issue objections, though I acknowledge the more comprehensive submissions of the Political Parties; Local Councils; current and former Members of Parliament and Local Councils; my fellow, regular, independent contributors - Dr Mark Mulcair & Martin Gordon; other private contributors, and a special mention to Mark Yore for his comprehensive submission. I hope to see your work again for the Commonwealth Redistribution of Queensland.

Of the other 1545 submissions, I found 24 of them to be either beyond the scope of what a Redistribution can address or just extraneous.

That leaves 1521 other submissions that at least have some validity.

Of those 1521 submissions, the suggestions contained in my "Objection #1431" plus those detailed below will address and/or resolve (either totally or partially) 1330 of the 1521 valid objections.

My approach will be to identify what I categorised as the "Top 10" objections and (where I believe it is possible) propose solutions to each of them.

I found the top 10 objections to the Committee's proposals were:

- 1. The proposed new boundary between Buderim and Kawana 616 objections, 3 in favour
- 2. The proposed District of Brisbane Central be renamed to McConnel 212 objections, 1 in favour
- Transfer of more of Western Downs Regional LGA to Callide, especially the locations of Chinchilla and Miles – 178 objections
- 4. The locality of Rainbow Beach transferred from the District of Gympie to the District of Noosa 142 objections
- 5. The proposed District of Pine Rivers be renamed to D'Aguilar 81 objections
- 6. The break-up of the Dalrymple District 39 objections
- The transfer of the locality of Calliope from the District of Gladstone to the District of Callide 35 objections
- Electors from the Redland LGA localities of Mount Cotton and Sheldon transferred to Springwood 19 objections
- 9. The localities of Peregian Beach (west), Weyba Downs and Doonan transferred from Noosa to the new District of Ninderry 12 Objections
- 10. The Locality of Camp Mountain proposed to be in the District of Ferny Grove 8 objections

## **1. Addressing the proposed Buderim-Kawana Boundary**

Whilst there was undoubtedly a campaign by the local Member of Parliament to ensure a multitude of voices were heard in relation to the QRC's proposal, those concerns are absolutely valid and needed to be addressed. In isolation, I worked on a proposal to resolve this issue, only to find that by the time I got to read the LNP's objection (Objection #1490), they had come to exactly the same solution.

The Mooloolah River can provide a single, continuous boundary between the Districts of Buderim and Kawana from the Bruce Highway in the west, to the mouth of the River at Point Cartwright in the east. An image of the alternative boundary and the tables of the transfers of electors involved are below.

Kawana is near the top end of projected enrolment tolerance, but this solution fully addresses the issues raised by so many objectors, including some who proposed Sippy Downs transfer from Kawana to Buderim.

District	Component	Proposed	Projected
Buderim		34,916	38,551
To Kawana	Buddina - Minyama SA2 - all	-5,011	-5,425
To Kawana	Parrearra - Warana SA2 - balance	-3,412	-4,401
From Kawana	Sippy Downs SA2 - all	6,333	6,746
From Kawana	Landsborough SA2 - part	183	1,379
New Total		33,009	36,850
Variation		-0.48%	-0.03%

From the Commissions proposed Districts, the transfers from those Districts are:

District	Component	Proposed	Projected
Kawana		30,983	38,524
From Buderim	Buddina - Minyama SA2 - all	5,011	5,425
From Buderim	Parrearra - Warana SA2 - balance	3,412	4,401
To Buderim	Sippy Downs SA2 - all	-6,333	-6,746
To Buderim	Landsborough SA2 - part	-183	-1,379
New Total		32,890	40,225
Variation		-0.84%	9.13%

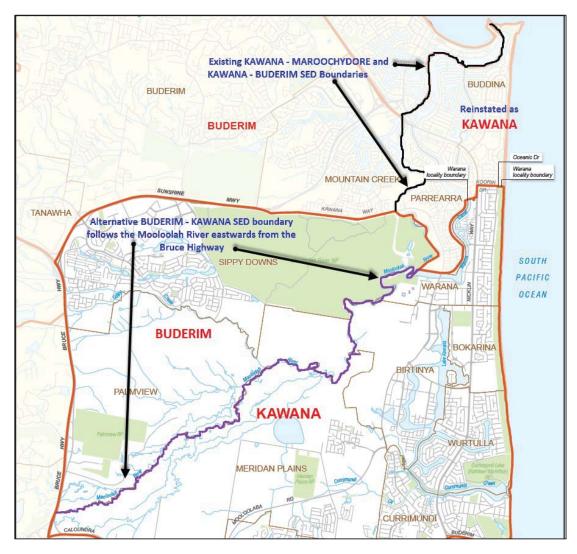


Image 1 – Alternative Buderim – Kawana boundary addressing 616 objections

# 2. Renaming the Commission's proposed McConnel back to Brisbane Central

The return to the name Brisbane Central from the Commission's proposed McConnel was the  $2^{nd}$  of 8 Districts I proposed be renamed back to their existing name as a part of Page 8 of my submission – Objection #1431.

# 3. The transfer of more populated parts of Western Downs Regional LGA to Callide, including – but not limited to – the localities of Chinchilla and Miles

Addressing this point also incorporates resolving Objection 7:

# 7. The transfer of the locality of Calliope from the District of Gladstone to the District of Callide

I have approached addressing these 2 points as a part of 1 solution as they both revolve around the proposed District of Callide.

In hindsight, the Commission's proposed Callide really is a 'bits and pieces' electorate, with communities on both sides of the Great Dividing Range. If it wasn't for the Leichhardt Highway between Wandoan and Theodore, there would be nothing connecting either half of this proposed District at all.

It is feasible to resolve objections 3 and 7 with a significant number of changes. The question is whether the Commission has the appetite to make such comprehensive changes to 4 Districts as well as relatively minor adjustments to another 3 Districts, without calling for another round of objections.

#### Step 1: Transferring the SA2's of 'Chinchilla' and 'Miles – Wandoan' in their entirety into Warrego.

This step transfers all parts of Western Downs Regional LGA out of Callide altogether.

This is achievable providing the Western Downs Regional LGA components of both the Wambo and Jondaryan SA2's are transferred out of Warrego.

With Condamine's western boundary now aligning with the western boundary of Toowoomba Regional LGA; the only District that the eastern parts of Western Downs Regional LGA can be transferred into is Nanango.

Whilst this solution is far from ideal, the Bunya Highway does offer some means of communication and travel between Dalby and Kingaroy. The question is; is this any improvement on the current arrangement in Callide?

The table of transfers for Warrego is on the next page.

**Please note:** These changes will also add an additional number of 'notional' electors into Warrego that I <u>have</u> <u>not factored in to my calculations</u>, but given the updated current and projected enrolment numbers for Warrego, these are not likely to take Warrego outside either current or projected enrolment tolerances.

District	Component	Proposed	Projected
Warrego		35,970	37,161
From Callide	Chinchilla SA2 - all	5,026	5,581
From Callide	Miles - Wandoan SA2 - balance	2,083	2,061
To Nanango	Jondaryan SA1#024 – part: WDR LGA only	-54	-55
To Nanango	Wambo SA2 – part: WDR LGA only	-9,460	-10,245
New Total		33,565	34,503
Variation		1.20%	-6.39%

#### Step 2: Re-drawing Nanango.

The transfer of Dalby and the balance of the eastern parts of Western Downs Regional LGA into Nanango puts Nanango well over quota and Callide well under quota.

As a result, there must be a transfer of electors from Nanango to Callide to get both Districts back within tolerance. Much of this reverses the boundary changes made in the Commission's proposal.

Working on whole SA2's as much as possible; by transferring the SA2 of 'Kingaroy Region – North' and both Gympie and Nanango SED's component of the 'Kilkivan' SA2 to Callide, almost resolves both District's electoral enrolments - but not quite. Nanango still has more electors than is allowed.

To get Nanango back within current tolerance; 2 other transfers of electors out of Nanango needed to be made. The first was to transfer the balance of the 'Lowood' SA2 including the localities of Atkinsons Dam, Coominya, Wivenhoe Hill and Split Yard Creek to Lockyer; uniting that entire SA2 in Lockyer. The second was to transfer much of the 'Crows Nest - Rosalie' SA2 from Nanango to Condamine leaving only the localities of Yarraman, Upper Yarraman, Gilla and Kooralgin in the Nanango District from that SA2 - that is; SA1's 3117901, 3117902, 3117903 & 3117914.

These changes get Nanango back within tolerance levels and keep both Condamine and Lockyer within tolerance levels.

District	Component	Proposed	Projected
Nanango		34,531	37,428
From Callide	Wambo SA2 - part	1,791	1,876
From Warrego	Jondaryan SA1#024 WDR LGA only	54	55
From Warrego	Wambo SA2 - part	9,460	10,245
To Callide	Kilkivan SA2 - balance	-945	-986
To Callide	Kingaroy Region - North SA2 - all	-6,234	-6,544
To Condamine	Crows Nest - Rosalie SA2 - part	-843	-870
To Lockyer	Lowood SA2 - balance	-1,789	-1,993
New Total		36,025	39,211
Variation		8.61%	6.38%

District	Component	Proposed	Projected
Condamine		34,755	39,315
From Nanango	Crows Nest - Rosalie SA2 - part	843	870
New Total		35,598	40,185
Variation		7.33%	9.02%

District	Component	Proposed	Projected
Lockyer		31,885	36,428
From Nanango	Lowood SA2 - balance	1,789	1,983
New Total		33,674	38,411
Variation		1.53%	4.21%

#### Step 3: Gladstone and Callide.

Having gained the SA2's of 'Kingaroy Region – North' and 'Kilkivan', the Callide - Gladstone boundary can be redrawn to transfer the locality of Calliope back into Gladstone SED. Ultimately, if Gladstone is to gain Calliope, it needs to lose another locality of similar electoral enrolment. I determined that Tannum Sands would need to be transferred from Gladstone to Callide to keep both Districts within tolerance. The Boyne River providing a clear potential boundary between Gladstone and Callide in this area.

To achieve this, Gladstone's new boundary with Callide needs to run from the mouth of the Calliope River, upstream to its junction with Deep Creek (which forms the western locality boundary of Calliope at this point); then in an anti-clockwise direction around the Calliope locality boundary until it meets the Commission's proposed Gladstone – Callide boundary on the Bruce Highway. From there the amended Gladstone – Callide SED boundary continues generally eastwards, in line with the boundary already proposed by the Commission as far as the Boyne River. From the Boyne River, the new District boundary would need to continue downstream along the Boyne River to its mouth.

This alternative boundary splits the Callemondah SA2/SA1, but I have assumed (rightly or wrongly) that the 23 current and 22 projected electors will be incorporated into Gladstone. My calculations for the updated enrolment statistics for each impacted District are as follows:

District	Component	Proposed	Projected
Gladstone		31,542	36,762
From Callide	Gladstone Hinterland SA2 - part	3,101	3,908
To Callide	Boyne Island - Tannum Sands SA2 - part	-3,379	-4,420
To Callide	Gladstone Hinterland SA2 - part	-1,303	-1,314
New Total		29,961	34,936
Variation		-9.67%	-5.22%

District	Component	Proposed	Projected
Callide		32,803	34,850
From Gladstone	Boyne Island - Tannum Sands SA2 - part	3,379	4,420
From Gladstone	Gladstone Hinterland SA2 - part	1,303	1,314
From Gympie	Kilkivan SA2 - balance	1,669	1,824
From Nanango	Kilkivan SA2 - balance	945	986
From Nanango	Kingaroy Region - North SA2 - all	6,234	6,544
To Gladstone	Gladstone Hinterland SA2 - part	-3,101	-3,908
To Nanango	Wambo SA2 - part	-1,791	-1,876
To Warrego	Chinchilla SA2 - all	-5,026	-5,581
To Warrego	Miles - Wandoan SA2 - balance	-2,083	-2,061
New Total		34,332	36,512
Variation		3.51%	-0.94%

District	Component	Proposed	Projected
Gympie		35,467	38,543
To Callide	Kilkivan SA2 - balance	-1,669	-1,824
From Noosa	Gympie - Cooloola SA2 - balance	839	889
New Total		34,637	37,608
Variation		4.43%	2.03%

As to whether the Commission wants to transfer so many electors between Districts to resolve those objections; that is up to it to determine. All I've done is shown that it's possible.

# 4. Gympie LGA localities of Inskip and Rainbow Beach in Noosa SED

I have already flagged that the boundary between the SED's of Gympie and Noosa should align with their LGA boundary on page 41 of my submission – Objection #1431. Now I have 142 others who also support such a change being made. The electoral numbers for Gympie, above, have already incorporated that transfer. However, in re-assessing the transfer of electors between Gympie and Noosa, I miscalculated in my original table of transfers (Objection #1431). The corrected value is detailed in Point 9, below.

# 5. Renaming the Commission's proposed D'Aguilar back to Pine Rivers

The return to the name Pine Rivers from the Commission's proposed D'Aguilar was the 6<sup>th</sup> of 8 Districts I proposed be renamed back to their existing name as a part of Page 8 of my submission – Objection #1431.

## 6. The partition of the District of Dalrymple

There were a number of different angles put forward in the 39 Objections I read in relation to this matter. In hindsight, I think that the new boundaries proposed in the Far North could have been done better overall. The only solace I can offer at this stage is that these boundaries are not permanent. And assuming Queensland moves to fixed 4 year terms of State Government, I would expect that Redistributions would be held not less frequently than once every 8 years as is the case in Victoria.

# 8. Electors from the Redland LGA localities of Mount Cotton and Sheldon transferred to Springwood

I had already addressed this issue on page 22 of my submission – Objection #1431; and now have another 19 objections to back me up.

I hope the Commission do make some adjustments to the Springwood boundary but I am not holding my breath.

As per the comments I made in relation to the partition of Dalrymple; these new boundaries are only temporary – even though the will be in force for at least the next 2 State Elections.

# 9. The localities of Doonan, Peregian Beach and Weyba Downs transferred from Noosa to Ninderry

Twelve objections argued that the localities to the immediate S and W of Lake Weyba had closer ties with Noosa, than to the Sunshine Coast communities to the S.

With Noosa's projected enrolment towards the lower end of tolerance, there was room to at least partially address these objections without taking Ninderry outside projected enrolment quota.

Whilst numbers wouldn't allow all of Doonan to be united in Noosa, there was the opportunity to transfer the localities of Weyba Downs and (the populated part of) Peregian Beach; NE of Emu Mountain Rd from Ninderry to Noosa.

This would mean a re-drawing of the Ninderry-Noosa SED boundary from the Emu Mountain Rd roundabout (with Walter Hay Dr. and Eumarella Rd in the NW corner of Weyba Downs) turning in an almost southerly direction and following the Emu Mountain Rd to the next roundabout in Peregian Beach; turning briefly N onto Murdering Creek Rd, then ESE onto the Old Emu Mountain Rd and uniting with the proposed Ninderry-Noosa SED boundary where the Noosa-Sunshine Coast LGA boundary aligns with the Old Emu Mountain Rd.

District	Component	Proposed	Projected
Noosa		33,137	34,560
From Ninderry	Noosa Hinterland SA2 - SA1's 346 & 351	591	599
To Gympie	Gympie - Cooloola SA2 - balance	-837	-889
New Total		32,891	34,270
Variation		-0.83%	-7.03%

District	Component	Proposed	Projected
Ninderry		32,139	35,644
To Noosa	Noosa Hinterland SA2 - SA1's 346 & 351	-591	-599
New Total		31,548	35,045
Variation		-4.88%	-4.92%

# 10. The Locality of Camp Mountain proposed to be in the District of Ferny Grove

I had already addressed this issue from page 33 of my submission – Objection #1431. Eight additional submissions support my concerns.

I have already proved to the Commission that it is numerically possible to transfer the locality of Camp Mountain from Ferny Grove to Pine Rivers and still keep both Districts within tolerance. Hopefully the Commission will deliver on this proposal / objection.

# **Resolving the Gregory and Traeger issue**

I thank the Member for Gregory, Lachlan Millar, for providing a solution to an issue I tabled in my submission – Objection #1431 – but did not have an answer for.

His proposal to transfer the Boulia Shire from Traeger to Gregory resolves the issues I identified in the Commission's proposal that placed Winton and Boulia Shires in separate Districts.

It also makes the size of Traeger just that little bit smaller. I recommend the Commission also adopt this proposed change.

District	Component	Proposed	Projected
Gregory		32,088	33,545
From Traeger	Far Central West SA2 - part: Boulia LGA	283	284
From Traeger	Boulia LGA Large District Allowance	1,219	1,219
New Total		33,590	35,048
Variation		1.27%	-4.92%

District	Component	Proposed	Projected
Traeger		36,090	37,366
To Gregory	Far Central West SA2 - part: Boulia LGA	-283	-284
To Gregory	Boulia LGA Large District Allowance	-1,219	-1,219
New Total		34,588	35,863
Variation		4.28%	-2.70%

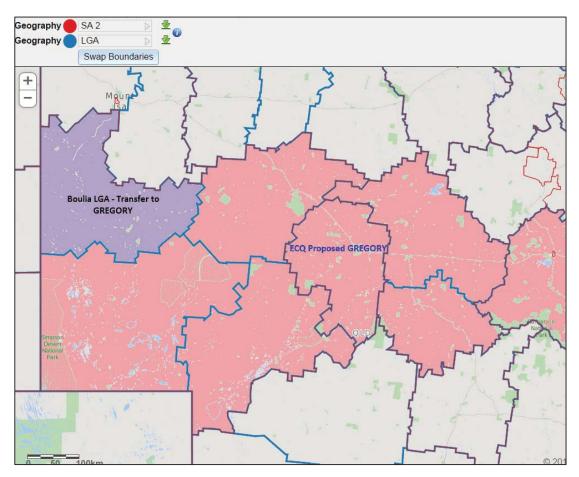


Image 2 – Alternative western part of Gregory with Boulia Shire transferred from Traeger (ASGS Boundaries Online)

# **In Closing**

I don't envy the Commission's job of going through all of those objections, assessing each of them, working out what objections can be addressed and what can't.

Somehow the Commission has to factor all those objections in and still deliver final boundaries by the 26<sup>th</sup> of May.

Good luck with that!

Maybe I'm blowing my own trumpet; but the Commission could do worse – far worse – than to adopt the changes I proposed in Objection #1431 in its entirety, as well as the final alterations proposed above.

As identified earlier, both Objection #1431 and the alterations proposed in this document address – either partially or fully – over 87% of the Objections received by the Commission.

That's a pretty good resolution rate - even if I do say so, myself!

On the 19<sup>th</sup> of April we start work on the Commonwealth Redistribution of Queensland.

It will be interesting to see if any of the Commissioners are 'backing up' for that one as well.

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Queensland electoral redistribution 2017 - Oodgeroo electorate

I would like to comment on Objection 1491, provided by the Liberal National Party, in particular the following section on the renaming of the current electorate of Cleveland as Oodgeroo:

I. Proposed Oodgeroo There are only limited proposals made in respect of the existing district of Cleveland. As a consequence, it remains based on bayside residential suburbs as it has since its creation in 1992 from the then district of Redlands. However, the Commission has taken the opportunity to change the name to Oodgeroo. It is somewhat difficult to comprehend why, when very limited boundary changes are recommended, that the name of the district should be altered. Cleveland is a well established district name with the suburb of Cleveland being the retail and administrative centre of both the district and the City of Redlands. There is a strong sense of community identity which revolves around Cleveland itself and the broader Redlands community. While Oodgeroo Noonuccal is widely recognised as a poet and activist, there do not seem to be compelling reasons to remove the name Cleveland. The fact that the changes proposed by the Commission are extremely limited lessens any valid reasons to change the name of the district at this time. The Liberal National Party recommends the retention of the name Cleveland.

I am very disappointed that the LNP has taken this approach, as it is only fitting that at least one electorate in Quandamooka Country have a name that has some connection to the Quandamooka People, who, after all, have been associated with the area for around 20,000 years. In terms of the area's identity Quandamooka names are actually much more representative of its history and cultural heritage than names such as Cleveland and Redlands.

Oodgeroo Noonuccal (Kath Walker) was a great Quandamooka Elder and great Australian. Oodgeroo was not just a great poet, educator and leading light of Australian and Indigenous literature and education, she was also a great activist for Aboriginal rights, including voting rights. Her story provides an enduring reminder to all Australians as to why we are privileged to be able to vote.

Despite being under the Aboriginals Protection and Restriction of the Sale of Opium Act and not being an Australian Citizen, Oodgeroo joined the Australian Women's Army Service in 1941 and became corporal. She played a key role to reform the Australian constitution to allow Aboriginal people full citizenship, lobbying both Prime Ministers Menzies in 1965, and Holt in 1966. When citizenship occurred Oodgeroo stood as the Australian Labor Party candidate in Greenslopes in the 1969 Queensland State election and as the Australian Democrat candidate for Redlands in the 1983 Queensland election. Oodgeroo was subsequently awarded honorary doctorates from Macquarie University (1988), Griffith University (1989), Monash University (1991), and Queensland University of Technology (1992). She taught and inspired both Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people across the nation over many decades.

Due to her achievements, the very name "Oodgeroo" is a representation of why Indigenous Australian's engage in the political process and is an inspiration for us all to vote. If ever there was a compelling and relevant reason to rename an electorate, Oodgeroo Noonuccal is it.

I commend the Queensland Redistribution Commission for proposing this electorate name and urge the commission to ignore the LNP's objection to the proposal, and any other objection also, and proceed with the new name of Oodgeroo.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my views.

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**TO:** Queensland Redistribution Commission

**RE:** Queensland State Redistribution 2017 – Cassowary Coast Region

The Tully & District Chamber of Commerce would like the Queensland Redistribution Commission to rethink the proposed boundary changes in the Cassowary Coast Region, as they relate to the proposed boundary between Hinchinbrook and Hill.

Having discussed the changes we feel there would be quite a few disadvantages to the Cassowary Coast if the changes were to go ahead.

The first problem being the Cassowary Coast and the Tablelands Regions are completely different, separated by a mountain range, different climate and different problems. The agricultural and farming are different on the Tablelands than the coastal regions in the Hinchinbrook Electorate. We believe that the Cassowary Coast Region is far more compatible with the Hinchinbrook Shire.

Under the proposed changes the areas of Cardwell, Kennedy, Bilyana, Murray Upper, Euramo, Tully Gorge Road and Lower Tully are staying in Hinchinbrook. However, these communities all have strong connections to Tully, which is their main service Town, but Tully is going to be put in the seat of Hill.

Many Tully children attend Lower Tully School. This means their parents will vote in a different Electorate (Hill) than the Electorate the school is situated in (Hinchinbrook).

The Chambers of Commerce in Tully, Cardwell, and Innisfail and Mission Beach Business & Tourism Association have been working hard to unify the Region by forming Cassowary Coast Economic Development Inc. It seems the Queensland Redistribution Commission is trying to work against us by changing Electoral boundaries in the region and separating us.

We would like to request that the Queensland Redistribution Commission give more thought to the proposed boundary changes for our region.

Christine Boric President, Tully & District Chamber of Commerce

#### Hi

I have just heard about the proposal to rename the electorate of Cleveland to Oodgeroo and the opposition to the suggestion by the LNP.

I am currently on holidays in New Zealand. What is significantly outstanding, is their recognition to their cultural heritage. So many places and sites have Maori names. So many politicians, media personalities and sports people are of Maori origin. When we have gone on tours, the tourism operators proudly speak of Maori history. Maori culture forms a distinctive part of New Zealand culture.

Naming the electorate Oodgeroo would be a similarity, significant achievement and an improvement on the antiquated and archaic approach the LNP has to Australia's future.

How wonderful would it be that an electorate in Quandamooka country has a name that is connected to the Quandamooka people, who, after all, have been associated with the area for around 20,000 years. In terms of the area's identity Quandamooka names are actually much more representative of its history and cultural heritage than names such as Cleveland and Redlands. Karen OBrien

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I fully endorse the renaming of the current Electorate of Cleveland to the name of Oodgeroo. (See Objection 1491) As we as a nation consider the forthcoming Constitutional Referendum, the second in my lifetime, to consider how Aboriginal people will be mentioned in the Constitution, the renaming of the Cleveland electorate to Oodgeroo provides the citizens of Cleveland an opportunity to respond to the Recognise campaign. Cleveland electorate is part of the Cultural Estate of the Quandamooka Peoples recognised by the High Court of Australia on the 4th July 2011. It is appropriate that one electorate in Quandamooka Country have a name that has relevance and connection to the Quandamooka Peoples. Oodgeroo Noonuccal (Kath Walker) is a great Quandamooka Elder and great Australian. Oodgeroo is a great poet, artist, conservationist and educator. Moongalba, Aunty Kath's home on Minjerribah, now her resting place, became the hub, the learning centre for cross cultural talks and walking tours through the mangrove areas, the natural habitat of the crustaceans with her good friend Ellie Durbidge. (Ref: North Stradbroke Island, P 121, Plate 112). She was a great activist for Aboriginal rights, including voting rights. Her story provides an enduring reminder to all Australians of our right to vote as citizens. Despite being under the Aboriginals Protection and Restriction of the Sale of Opium Act and not being an Australian Citizen, Oodgeroo joined the Australian Women's Army Service in 1941 and became corporal. I recall Oodgeroo's two brothers, Eric and Eddie were also recruited into the Australian Army during the 1939-1945 war. They became prisoners of war to the Japanese when Singapore fell to the Japanese Army. They returned home following the surrender of the Japanese, one with his leg amputated. Oodgeroo and her family have served this Nation well. She played a key role to reform the Australian constitution to allow Aboriginal people full citizenship, lobbying both Prime Ministers Menzies in 1965, and Holt in 1966. When citizenship occurred Oodgeroo stood as the Australian Labor Party candidate in Greenslopes in the 1969 Queensland State election and as the Australian Democrat candidate for Redlands in the 1983 Queensland election. Her intellect is demonstrated by the breadth of her ability to work across many areas of arts, environment, politics and with people searching for the common bond. Oodgeroo's focus was on integration, not assimilation, as in her poem, Integration - Yes! I commend the Queensland Redistribution Commission for the renaming of the Cleveland Electorate to Oodgeroo Electorate, enriching the lives of all who reside and visit the electorate

#### Submission ID: 69249

Time of Submission: 14 Apr 2017 9:33am

Online submission for Kawana

Name: Carol Humphries Address: 6 Seagull Avenue Aroona QLD 4551

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#### Text:

I understand that there have been numerous objections to the new Kawana boundary with about one third of objections referring to Kawana. I note that many Kawana entities, several of which are mentioned in the objections and which include the recently re-vamped Kawana bus station, would no longer be in Kawana. I would suggest that it may be better to retain areas in the north of the current Kawana electorate such as Minyama and Buddina in Kawana, and move Sippy Downs to the Buderim electorate. That would only involve a change to the Buderim and Kawana electorates and therefore not interfere with the commission's other proposals. I hope that the commission will take note of the many objections by local residents who obviously feel strongly about the proposed changes. I feel that not to take these objections into account would make a mockery of the process. Carol Humphries, Aroona Resident living in Kawana Electorate.

Submission ID: 69250

Time of Submission: 14 Apr 2017 4:27pm

## **Queensland electoral redistribution 2017 – Oodgeroo electorate**

I would like to comment on Objection 1491, provided by the Liberal National Party, in particular the following section on the renaming of the current electorate of Cleveland as Oodgeroo:

- I. Proposed Oodgeroo There are only limited proposals made in respect of the existing district of Cleveland. As a consequence, it remains based on bayside residential suburbs as it has since its creation in 1992 from the then district of Redlands. However, the Commission has taken the opportunity to change the name to Oodgeroo. It is somewhat difficult to comprehend why, when very limited boundary changes are recommended, that the name of the district should be altered. Cleveland is a well established district name with the suburb of Cleveland being the retail and administrative centre of both the district and the City of Redlands. There is a strong sense of community identity which revolves around Cleveland itself and the broader Redlands community. While Oodgeroo Noonuccal is widely recognised as a poet and activist, there do not seem to be compelling reasons to remove the name Cleveland. The fact that the changes proposed by the Commission are extremely limited lessens any valid reasons to change the name of the district at this time. The Liberal National Party recommends the retention of the name Cleveland.
- Actually, according to history she more than 'just a poet and activist"
   Cleveland was the traditional territory of the <u>Koobenpul clan of the</u> <u>Quandamooka.[2]</u> There are conflicting reports as to the naming of Cleveland; it was either named in 1770 by <u>Captain James Cook</u> in honour of <u>John Clevland</u>, the <u>Secretary of the Admiralty</u> around the time,[3] or by surveyors in the 1840s, in honour of <u>William Vane</u>, <u>1st Duke of Cleveland</u>.[4]

I am very disappointed that the LNP has taken this approach, as it is only fitting that at least one electorate in Quandamooka Country have a name that has some connection to the Quandamooka People, who, after all, have been associated with the area for around 20,000 years. In terms of the area's identity Quandamooka names are actually much more representative of its history and cultural heritage than names such as Cleveland and Redlands.

Oodgeroo Noonuccal (Kath Walker) was a great Quandamooka Elder and great

## Australian.

Oodgeroo was not just a great poet, educator and leading light of Australian and Indigenous literature and education, she was also a great activist for Aboriginal rights, including voting rights. Her story provides an enduring reminder to all Australians as to why we are privileged to be able to vote.

Despite being under the Aboriginals Protection and Restriction of the Sale of Opium Act and not being an Australian Citizen, Oodgeroo joined the Australian Women's Army Service in 1941 and became corporal. She played a key role to reform the Australian constitution to allow Aboriginal people full citizenship, lobbying both Prime Ministers Menzies in 1965, and Holt in 1966. When citizenship occurred Oodgeroo stood as the Australian Labor Party candidate in Greenslopes in the 1969 Queensland State election and as the Australian Democrat candidate for Redlands in the 1983 Queensland election.

Oodgeroo was subsequently awarded honorary doctorates from Macquarie University (1988), Griffith University (1989), Monash University (1991), and Queensland University of Technology (1992). She taught and inspired both Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people across the nation over many decades. Due to her achievements, the very name "Oodgeroo" is a representation of why Indigenous Australian's engage in the political process and is an inspiration for us all to vote. If ever there was a compelling and relevant reason to rename an electorate, Oodgeroo Noonuccal is it.

I commend the Queensland Redistribution Commission for proposing this electorate name and urge the commission to ignore the LNP's objection to the proposal, and any other objection also, and proceed with the new name of Oodgeroo.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my views.

Name: Irena Morgan Address: 3 Flinders Lane, Scarborough

Name: Jason jones Address: Lot 1 ivy road calliope 4680 Queensland

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#### Text:

Please leave calliope with gladstone as we are basically a suburb of gladstone and a distant cousin to callide

Submission ID: 69251

Time of Submission: 16 Apr 2017 12:56pm

Online submission for All Districts, D'Aguilar

Name: Carin Timo Address: 135-11 West Dianne Street Lawnton Qld 4501

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#### Text:

I object to the renaming of my current Electorate district of Pine Rivers to "D'Aguilar" for the following reasons: \* the name D'Aguilar has NO CONNECTION WHATSOEVER with my district but is geographically distant and more connected with locality and regions in the adjoining electorate; \* the name "Pine" should be retained in one form or another due to its historical long-time use and familiarity; \* as North Pine River is proposed to be located in the adjoining electorate, but the South Pine River is still a geographical feature of the proposed new electorate, I would like to see this new electorate of D'Aguilar instead be named "Pine" and thus retain familiarity for the regional population.

Submission ID: 69252

Time of Submission: 16 Apr 2017 6:31pm

Online submission for **Springwood** 

Name: Ross McGown Address: 175Pioneer Rd, Sheldon 4157

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#### Text:

I object to the proposed inclusion of Sheldon in the Springwood electorate. Sheldon and other suburbs in the Redlands need to be included in within Redlands district electorate boundaries. Sheldon residents have already lived with being in the Mansfield electorate for some years, whose elected members have been focussed on their big majority of people living in the densely populated Brisbane suburbs of Mt Gravatt, Wishart etc. Major issues such as transport, roads and health in those areas are disconnected from the Redlands and in fact the needs are often in competition with adjoining shires, resulting in poor planning, little progress and real disinterest from the sitting members. Placing Sheldon in Springwood would result in a continuance of the same approach to the needs and interests of residents in Sheldon, essentially almost disengaging Sheldon's residents from any fruitful input to State politics.

Submission ID: 69253

Time of Submission: 17 Apr 2017 9:42am

Online submission for Oodgeroo

Name: Maree Ziirsen Address: 67 Tramican Street Point Lookout, Qld 4183

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#### Text:

I would like to submit my support for the renaming of Cleveland electorate to Oodgeroo. It is Quandamooka country and this would be a wonderful way to recognise the traditional custodians of the land.

Submission ID: 69254

Time of Submission: 17 Apr 2017 9:47am

Name: shirley wright Address: 73 Nanando Drive Calliope Qld 4680

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#### Text:

My husband and I currently live in Calliope and both work in the Gladstone region. We do all our business in this region and as Gladstone and Calliope share the same postcode we would like the submission for Calliope to stay in the electoral boundary of Gladstone.

Submission ID: 69255

Time of Submission: 17 Apr 2017 3:12pm

Online submission for **All Districts** 

Name: Paul Blackman Address: 636 Parker Rd Oceanside CA 92058 USA

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#### Text:

Please see attached .doc file. I give consent for my submission to be made public and unredacted. Please contact my email if you have any specific questions regarding my submission.

Submission ID: 69256

Time of Submission: 17 Apr 2017 7:30pm

Submission IP Address: 52.12.73.217

17 April, 2017

To the commission:

During the last redistribution process in 2007/8, I proposed reducing the number additional large districts from five to four.

I wrote in 2007.

"The commission if practical should commission only FOUR districts of 100,000 square kilometres or more severely shrinking Charters Towers. The western borders should follow the outer borders of the Commonwealth Divisions of Kennedy, Leichhardt, Flynn and Maranoa. This would place Diamantina in Warrego.

"I call upon the commission to place Winton Shire back into Gregory and for Mount Isa to resume western shires from Charters Towers to make up its numbers."

I appreciate that the commission has for the most part taken this philosophy to additional large districts this go round.

Last redistribution they carved "Dalrymple" out of other districts to get just over 100,000 square kilometres and I thought it a coward's way out of actually facing reality, that being that Queensland is growing from the South East and more people are living closer to the Brisbane CBD.

And now the growth is slowing down as such that for the first time in my lifetime, Queensland will undergo a Commonwealth redistribution without gaining a division. A stark contrast from the six they have gained since the House was last expanded in 1984.

Now it is true that large rural area have difficulties that suburban areas don't, however, travel is not what it used to me. Members can now return home easily on their weekends off and virtually every constituent has the ability to reach their members instantly.

When the ECQ first redistributed the Electoral Act 1992 maps, they tacked the word "Central" on many districts. I considered it a foolish move and commented as such on social media earlier in this process.

The decision of the Commission this go round to label district names in the manner of convention reserved for Commonwealth divisions is unprecedented.

Australia is the only country I am aware which uses this convention. It is entrenched, I suspect, as a way to prevent duplication with corresponding state districts and the ECQ ought to respect the boundaries as such. Use of names like "Nicklin" are acceptable due to their unique association with Queensland, but these should be the exception rather than the rule.

Eleven out of the 14 districts named this way are in South East Queensland. Some like OODGEROO and COOPER are largely similar to predecessor districts. BANCROFT and JORDAN on the other hand are clearly new expansion districts. When I did my modelling in the preliminary stages I clearly identified these locations as prospective expansion districts with these centres of gravity.

Let me be blunt. I believe this new found naming convention is a means to placate the rural voter who still waxes lyrical over the "Bjelkemander". The one who laments the addition of Mount Ommaney and Capalaba as if suburban population centres don't matter and trees and acres vote more than people, a fact still partly true in the antiquated ALDN provision of the Electoral Act, which I understand will require an act of Parliament to actually abolish.

I have detected this rural cynicism from both citizens and local government. One rural government tried to use the rationale of mining royalties as justification for disproportional representation.

I have one message for them. Suck it up rural Queensland! We are not going back to the old way of apportionment. We are also not going to abide by an American style model where connected communities of interest are divided. In my personal opinion, the ECQ should have the courage to indirectly tell the people of rural Queensland that the epicentre of population growth is in the South East by naming districts after geographic areas, and major natural features.

If the ECQ wishes to ignore my advice, I would like to advance that theory that namesake electorates are named after Queenslanders who contribute to the life of the state in politics in the arts or in their community. I believe those who are significant due to enterprise do not qualify to have this type of recognition.

I therefore ask that the ECQ does not confer this honour on Sir Fergus McMaster who is primarily notable for his role in QANTAS, then in the private sector. The proposed district is not dissimilar to the former district of BURDEKIN, and that name can be resumed for that district.

If the Commission wishes to use non-conventional names it could use traditional indigenous geographical names.

Thank you for allowing me this opportunity to make this contribution to the process. I look forward to the final boundaries.

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#### Text:

I do not want an electoral change to Callide. As a Calliope resident, I am more than happy to be attached to the Gladstone Region.

Submission ID: 69257

Time of Submission: 17 Apr 2017 8:43pm

Name: robert jones Address: 47 Capricornia rd Calliope

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Text:

I want Calliope to stay as the Gladstone region, not the Callide region.

Submission ID: 69258

Time of Submission: 17 Apr 2017 8:45pm

Name: Scott Morrison Address: 46 Muirhead Street calliope

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Text:

stay as part of the Gladstone Region, not the callide Region.

Submission ID: 69259

Time of Submission: 17 Apr 2017 8:46pm

Online submission for All Districts

Name: Mark Mulcair Address: 9 Grover Street Pascoe Vale VIC 3044

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#### Text:

Please find attached my Comments on Objections to the Queensland redistribution. If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me. Regards Mark Mulcair

Submission ID: 69260

Time of Submission: 17 Apr 2017 8:56pm

# COMMENTS ON OBJECTIONS TO THE QUEENSLAND STATE REDISTRIBUTION 2016-7

## (Mark Mulcair)

The extremely large number of Objections makes it impossible to deal with them except in very broad terms. Fortunately, almost all of the Objections can be broken down into a small number of groups.

I will deal with the general Objections as groups, and then discuss the specific Objections from the ALP, LNP, Greens, and Jeff Waddell separately.

## (A) OBJECTIONS OUTSIDE THE SCOPE OF THE REDISTRIBUTION

To begin with, quite a lot of the Objections are outside the scope of the redistribution. Most of these are from rural areas, and argue that the rules should be changed and/or that rural seats should be treated differently from urban seats. Some more extreme examples of this type of Objection allege wide-ranging corruption by the major parties, "urban Brisbane voters", or even the ECQ itself to intentionally short-change rural voters, minor parties, or individual MPs.

Needless to say, these Objections should be ignored, especially some of the more bizarre conspiracy-minded ones. Districts in extremely rural and remote areas are already treated differently from more urbanised seats through the Large District Allowance. If rural seats were "treated just the same as South East Queensland", they would actually be worse off!

There are also Objections that seem to confuse electoral boundaries with local council boundaries, suburbs and postcodes, or school zones, or believe they will not be able to access government services in the same way. A number of Objections also seem to confuse the state and federal redistributions.

The sheer number of "confused" Objections makes me wonder whether these people have been deliberately misled about the proposed changes. For example, almost all of the Objections to the transfer of Mount Cotton to Springwood seem to believe that they are shifting local councils. Some of them specifically comment about "being moved into Logan", which clearly suggests they are referring to council boundaries. It seems strange that so many people would make the same mistake in the same way.

Perhaps the Committee could host a meeting in some of these areas, to outline specifically what the proposals are, and to correct any misunderstandings that may have occurred.

## (B) OBJECTIONS TO THE ABOLITION OF DALRYMPLE:

Many locals, especially from around the Charters Towers area, object to the abolition of Dalrymple and its replacement by Hill. They note the increased size of the Mount Isa based District, and the difficulties in representing a District so large and diverse.

I have some sympathy with these residents. At a redistribution that increases the number of seats, they might have expected their rural District to be preserved or even reduced in size. Instead, they find themselves in an even bigger seat that is based on a town hundreds of kilometres away.

In my original Suggestions, I did propose that Dalrymple be retained, with a small gain in the Tablelands area sufficient to bring the District within tolerance. Mount Isa, too, could easily gain electors with an expansion southwards towards Longreach. This could have kept both Districts intact and at a reasonable size.

However, the reality is that re-creating Dalrymple would basically force the Committee to redraw all of rural Queensland, and I assume that this is not really practical at this stage. Nor does there seem to be any scope to place Charters Towers in a different District (*e.g.* Hill or Burdekin) due to numbers and logistics.

Accepting this, then the Committee has probably done the best job they can at neatly carving Dalrymple up. The existing District was in three distinct parts; the Tablelands, Charters Towers, and the mining communities in the Mackay/Whitsunday hinterland. The Committee's proposals have divided these three areas between three different seats, and in two of these areas they have achieved a very positive outcome. The question marks over Charters Towers do not really outweigh the positives of most of the other boundaries in this part of Queensland.

## (C) OBJECTIONS TO PLACING CHINCHILLA AND MILES IN CALLIDE

A significant number of Objections relate to this proposal, which would split the Chinchilla area off from other Warrego Highway communities to the east and west. Ideally, this area would be best placed in Warrego, and has less community of interest with the remainder of Callide (although areas such as Taroom and Wandoan were already in Callide).

It is not easy to see how this area can be returned to Warrego without some significant changes elsewhere. There is, however, one option that I can see:

- 1) All of those parts of Warrego proposed to be placed in Callide (except the Jandowae/Jimbour area), are returned to Warrego.
- 2) All of those parts of Callide proposed to be placed into Nanango, are returned to Callide.
- 3) All of those parts of Condamine proposed to go into Warrego (Dalby and surrounds), <u>plus the Jandowae/Jimbour area</u>, are placed in Nanango.

This allows all of Miles and Chinchilla to remain with their community of interest in Warrego, and it also allows more electors overall to remain within their existing District.

It could be argued that this change simply pushes the 'problem' onto Dalby. However, Dalby at least has some direct links with areas in the western part of Nanango, assuming Jandowae/Jimbour are included, and has previously been placed in a separate District (Condamine) from areas further west. Whilst it would be ideal for Dalby to be placed in Warrego, I think at least it is a better fit in Nanango than Chinchilla is with Callide.

## (D) OBJECTIONS TO PLACING CALLIOPE IN THE DISTRICT OF CALLIDE

Another group of Objections are unhappy with Calliope being placed in the District of Callide, citing the much closer connection with the city of Gladstone. A number of the Objections (such as from the ALP) propose that more rural territory should be transferred to Callide instead, with Calliope and surrounding "suburban" areas remaining in Gladstone. This may be an option the Committee could look at, provided the numbers balance.

In a more general sense, while Calliope does have strong links with Gladstone, it would not be out of place in Callide. This District already contains large parts of the Gladstone and Burnett hinterland region, and Calliope has good highway links to the west and south to other towns within Callide. This would be especially the case if the proposed changes to Callide listed in Part C were made, which would remove Chinchilla and focus the District more on the Burnett region.

## (E) OBJECTIONS TO THE NEW BOUNDARIES OF HINCHINBROOK

The decision to transfer Palm Island from Townsville to Hinchinbrook has caused some controversy, with Objections from both locals and the major parties. They cite the strong links between the city of Townsville and Palm Island, and the lack of connection with the Cassowary Coast area.

If Hinchinbrook had remained a rural, Ingham/Innisfail based District, I would probably agree with the Objections. However, the Committee's proposals make Hinchinbrook a much more urbanised, Townsville-based seat, so the connection with Palm Island is much stronger. Also, the expected patterns of growth should see Hinchinbrook continue to contract towards Townsville at future redistributions. On balance, I think the Committee's proposals should be supported.

A more general series of Objections are opposed to making Hinchinbrook a more urbanised seat. The LNP for instance proposes a set of changes that return Hinchinbrook to its previous "rural" boundaries. However, given current and projected growth patterns, this does not appear to be sustainable. Hill and Hinchinbrook would be left at the very bottom of tolerance, while the urbanised Townsville seats would be pushed towards the top.

A further set of Objections propose an adjustment of the boundary around Tully, noting that some parts of the Tully "hinterland" are cut off from the town itself in Hill. Since only a small number of electors would be involved, this seems a reasonable change.

## (F) OBJECTIONS TO PLACING RAINBOW BEACH IN NOOSA

There has been widespread Objection to removing the Rainbow Beach area from Gympie. This is a fairly isolated area, with no direct access to the rest of Noosa, and the only major road link heading westward into the Tin Can Bay area.

Given the small number of electors involved, I support these Objections. Rainbow Beach should be returned to Gympie.

## (G) OBJECTIONS TO THE BOUNDARIES OF KAWANA AND BUDERIM

A number of locals plus the LNP have lodged Objections to the boundaries between these two Districts. They cite the strong links between Minyama/Buddina/Parrearra and the remainder of Kawana. Instead of transferring these areas to Buderim, they recommend that the suburb of Sippy Downs be moved instead.

This seems a reasonable Objection. Sippy Downs is somewhat cut off from the remainder of Kawana, and would probably look north and east (into Buderim) instead of south into Kawana. Provided the locals have no issue with this, I would tend to support it.

# ( H ) OBJECTIONS TO THE BOUNDARIES AROUND CABOOLTURE AND GLASS HOUSE

These Objections generally mirror my own:

- 1) That Pumicestone should not extend west of Bruce Highway
- 2) That Glass House should not extend so far south into the Upper Caboolture/Samsonvale area.
- 3) That Landsborough and the hinterland region should be removed from Caloundra, leaving it as a purely coastal District.

My own submission provided a neat solution for (1), with a general clockwise rotation of Pumicestone, Bancroft, Kurwongbah and Morayfield. I strongly recommend this change to the Committee.

Unfortunately, I was unable to find a solution to (2) and (3), apart from a very minor change around Dayboro. It seems that nobody else was able to find a solution either.

## (I) OBJECTIONS TO THE BOUNDARY AROUND CAMP MOUNTAIN

A number of locals plus the LNP object to retaining Camp Mountain in Ferny Grove, supporting it being united with the remainder of the semi-rural areas in D'Aguilar. This seems a very reasonable proposal to me.

## (J) OBJECTIONS TO THE BOUNDARY BETWEEN LOGAN AND JORDAN

As both Jeff Waddell and I have noted, the proposed boundary between these two Districts is less than ideal. The semi-rural areas proposed to be added to Jordan fit better with Logan, while the suburban parts of Logan fit better with a Springfield-based District. The proposed boundary also splits the Maclean area, with small parts in the west sliced off to be placed in Jordan.

I agree with these Objections. For quota purposes, the District of Jordan needs to expand beyond Springfield, so it makes most sense for it to take in urban areas to the east of Greenbank. This is a more logical expansion for Jordan than pushing southwards into rural parts of Logan. By placing the Boronia Heights area in Jordan, the District of Logan can be constructed as an almost entirely semi-rural seat.

Jeff (discussed below) and I have come up with slightly different proposals to address this issue. I encourage the Committee to consider our proposals.

## (K) OBJECTIONS TO THE BOUNDARIES OF SPRINGWOOD AND REDLANDS

The decision to place Mount Cotton in Springwood, and remove part of Rochedale South, has attracted a range of different Objections. Locals in the Mount Cotton area are upset at being moved from Redlands, although as I said earlier, it seems many of them are confusing local government boundaries here.

The problem here is that the Districts in southern Brisbane are generally at the low end of tolerance, so must gain electors from somewhere to make up the difference. In contrast, the Redlands-based Districts are at the higher end of tolerance, and have the capacity to lose electors. It makes enormous sense that some of this excess from Redlands be used to top up the under-quota Districts further west. In that context, I support the transfer from Redlands to Springwood.

My own Objections to these boundaries were quite different; I support Springwood gaining further semi-rural territory around Carbrook and Cornubia, and losing almost all of Rochedale South to other Districts. This makes greater use of the river as the boundary with Macalister, and flow-on effects help improve the boundaries of neighbouring Districts. Also, the Mount Cotton area would probably fit better in a Springwood that contained Carbrook and Cornubia, so the locals' concerns might be at least partly addressed if my proposal was adopted.

#### (L) OBJECTIONS TO PLACING THE WILLOWBANK AREA IN SCENIC RIM

These Objections highlight the strong links between the Willowbank area with Ipswich, and the lack of connection with the rest of Scenic Rim. They suggest returning the area to Ipswich West. Since a relatively small number of electors are involved, this seems a logical proposal, and I support it provided the numbers work.

### (M) OBJECTIONS TO NAMING OF DISTRICTS

A significant number of Objections have been launched against the decision to rename Districts after individuals. In particular, residents of Brisbane Central and Pine Rivers have come out very strongly against this renaming. Many of the Objections simply want a return to a geographic name, while others suggest an alternative individual's name.

I outlined my case for returning to geographic names in my original Objections, which many of these other Objections seem to echo. I think naming state Districts after individuals will only cause confusion for voters, as well as possible problems down the line for naming of seats at federal redistributions.

Whatever decision is made, I would strongly recommend that at least the name 'Brisbane Central' be preserved. It seems very logical for the CBD-based seat to retain the name of 'Brisbane' in it somewhere. Even in South Australia, where seats are generally named after individuals, the name 'Adelaide' is still used for the main city-based District, due to the significance of having a seat named for the capital.

Ironically, given the strength of Objection to changing 'Pine Rivers', I actually support the proposed name change for this seat. D'Aguilar is a geographic name that, in my opinion, more accurately reflects the location of the District than 'Pine Rivers'.

### (N) OBJECTIONS OF BOB RICHARDSON

Bob Richardson has contributed to several Queensland state and federal redistributions, and is apparently a resident of northern Queensland.

He proposes redrawing Hill as a primarily Tablelands based District, citing the alleged lack of links between the Tablelands and the coast. Unfortunately, in order to do this, Mr Richardson has to:

(a) place some Gulf shires into Hill, when these areas would clearly fit better in a Mount Isa/Charters Towers based seat

(b) drag the Mount Isa based District as far east as Townsville Council, further expanding a District that is already being Objected to as being too large, and

(c) push Cook back down into the Northern Beaches area of Cairns, which causes flow-on effects all through the Cairns and Townsville seats.

None of these three things are desirable; certainly, I don't think the Committee's proposed Hill is so ridiculous as to justify all these changes.

### (O) OBJECTIONS OF JEFF WADDELL:

Like myself, Jeff is an independent contributor to redistributions, and I have a great deal of time for his submissions. We don't always agree, but I generally find a lot to support in his Objections:

- Jeff proposes a number of minor adjustments between several of the Gold Coast Districts, most of which seem reasonable and only involve a small number of electors. He notes, as I do, the split of Mount Nathan and Clagiraba, but I still think Clagiraba is a better fit in Gaven than Theodore, given the strong east-west link of Beaudesert-Nerang Road.
- Jeff's proposed Theodore/Coomera boundary seems to run along minor streets through Upper Coomera. I am not sure why the boundary can't run directly along Reserve Road.
- Further north, Jeff makes a minor modification to Macalister, which I would probably support if my more extensive proposals for this area was not agreed to.
- Like me, Jeff notes the issue with the Logan/Jordan boundary. His proposal is slightly different from mine, but the general principle of making Logan a completely rural/semi-rural District is the same. I also support his proposal to include further parts of Jimboomba, to reduce the projected enrolment in Scenic Rim.
- The boundary between Clayfield and Stafford is just as problematic for him as it is for me(!). However like me, Jeff can't seem to find an easy solution to this. Labor indirectly provides a possible way to address this, by altering the boundary between Clayfield and Nudgee (discussed below).
- In addition to Camp Mountain, Jeff also proposes adding the balance of Warner to the District of D'Aguilar. Provided the numbers work without changes elsewhere, this seems sensible enough to me. It does not seem possible for the Pine River to be retained as the boundary, so uniting some suburbs on the south side is at least an improvement.
- Jeff makes some effort to smooth out the 'tail' on Pumicestone, but I think my more extensive changes are better, because they eliminate the 'tail' completely.
- Jeff reiterates his original proposals for Keppel, Rockhampton and Mirani that would allow most of urban Rockhampton to be located in the District of that name. I support this in theory, but the numbers probably won't work unless a more extensive change in rural Queensland is undertaken.

### (P) OBJECTIONS OF THE ALP

The ALP offers 10 Objections, a couple of which propose quite significant changes from the Committee's boundaries:

**2.1** (see discussion on Palm Island above)

**2.2** The problem with Labor's proposed change to Logan is that it increases the urban portion of what is a primarily semi-rural District. If the changes proposed by myself or Jeff Waddell are adopted, then Logan has the opportunity to become almost entirely semi-rural in nature, focussed clearly on the less urbanised parts of Logan Council. The Browns Plains area just does not fit this proposed character of Logan.

Labor's justification of communication links within Logan District has some merit in isolation, but falls down when they need to extend Waterford southwards. The proposed Waterford is already a very elongated north-south District, and Labor's suggestion would stretch it even further.

I think my proposals for this area are better, allowing Logan to remain mostly rural while realigning Waterford and Woodridge. If my suggestion was not adopted, I would prefer Jeff Waddell's solution over Labor's.

**2.3** I support Labor's suggestion to extend Kurwongbah northwards, but Labor has missed the opportunity to also push Morayfield northwards and unite Caboolture.

Like Jeff Waddell, Labor proposes a re-arrangement south of the Pine River, in order to tidy up the boundary between D'Aguilar and Kurwongbah. The problem here is that Labor are forced to push the Glass House seat even further southwards, further exacerbating the already disjointed nature of the proposed seat. As I said in my original Objections, it makes far more sense to me to do the opposite of what Labor suggests, and put more of the rural areas around Dayboro into D'Aguilar. This at least means that the Glass House District does not have to push so far south.

If my proposals for this area were not adopted, I would prefer Jeff's fairly minor adjustment (Warner) over Labor's.

**2.4** The proposal to shift Fig Tree Pocket into Moggill is a curious one, as the Western Freeway would seem to be a very clear boundary in the area. I don't support this change.

**2.5** Labor's proposals to move the Gaven/Theodore boundary northward has some merit, and the theme parks would form a clear boundary. However, in order to achieve this, Labor are forced to make some quite bizarre adjustments to Southport and Bonney.

Labor's proposed new Bonney/Southport boundary would run straight through the middle of central Southport, splitting this major centre and removing a significant part of the suburb from the District bearing its name. This is a very odd proposal, considering the Committee's proposed boundary along Smith Street and North Road would be an extremely strong and obvious boundary. Further south, I also don't agree with the decision to put Emerald Lakes into Southport; it seems strange to push the District so far south, while removing parts of Southport itself from the District bearing its name.

In all, there are simply too many flow-on effects to justify changing the Gaven/Theodore boundary.

**2.6** As mentioned in my previous submissions, I support doing the opposite of what Labor suggests here. <u>More</u> of Rockhampton should be placed in the District of that name if at all possible, not less; for example, as proposed by Jeff Waddell in his original Suggestions.

**2.7** Labor's proposal to straighten the boundary between the two Toowoomba seats was something I put forward in my original Suggestions, and I support it.

Ideally, it would make sense to extend the boundary even further along Glenvale Road to Boundary Road, but I think this would take Toowoomba North outside tolerance.

**2.8** Labor proposes to return part of Tingalpa to the District of Chatsworth. However, the Committee's proposal utilises the Manly Road/Wynnum Road traffic corridor, which already serves as part of the Chatsworth/Lytton boundary. The Committee's boundary is a very strong and logical one, and Labor does not make a very compelling case for changing it.

**2.9** My original suggestions proposed something similar to Labor's Clayfield/Nudgee boundary, so I have no issue with this part of Labor's suggestion.

However, if this change is made, then I suggest the Committee investigate a possible exchange between Nudgee and Stafford (and possibly Aspley) to allow the Clayfield/Stafford boundary to follow Lutwyche Road. This is a major road, and a far stronger boundary than the series of minor streets that the Committee proposes.

**2.10** This Objection provides a way to include Calliope in the District of Gladstone, with more rural territory being transferred to Callide instead. This seems a reasonable change, provided the locals are happy with it.

### (Q) OBJECTIONS OF THE LNP:

Several of the LNP Objections echo the large-scale Objections of others, including:

- Returning Palm Island to Townsville
- Keeping Hinchinbrook as a "rural" seat.
- Returning Rainbow Beach to Gympie
- Returning the Parrearra/Buddina area to Kawana
- Placing Camp Mountain in D'Aguilar

These have all been commented on above.

1) The LNP proposes a series of changes in Northern Queensland, which seem to be based mostly on keeping Hinchinbrook as a rural seat. While there is some merit in their arguments around Tully, there are too many flow-on effects to make this proposal practical. In particular, the fast-growing Thuringowa would be left at the very top of tolerance, whereas Hinchinbrook and Hill would be left towards the bottom.

If the boundary around Tully was regarded as a problem, it would be a much better idea to do the opposite of what the LNP suggests, and move the Hinchinbrook/Hill boundary southwards. This would allow more of the Tully "hinterland" to be united in Hill.

2) Many of the LNP's other proposals in rural Queensland involve a very small number of electors. Provided the locals approve, I would have no issue with the proposed adjustments around Eungella (Whitsunday and Burdekin), Tiaro (Maryborough and Gympie), and Maclagan (Nanango and Condamine).

If my proposal in Part C were adopted, the towns of Kaimkillenbun and Yamsion would be transferred to Nanango along with the rest of the Dalby area.

- 3) The suggested minor change between Everton and Ferny Grove seems to have some merit, provided the locals support it. I don't agree with the other two changes around Bridgeman Downs and McDowall; both Albany Creek and Trouts Road are stronger boundaries than those proposed by the LNP.
- 4) The small adjustment to use the railway as the boundary between Mount Ommaney and Miller seems sensible. However, I think Sherwood Road would be a more logical boundary between the railway and the arboretum than Marlborough Street.

- 5) I don't agree with the LNP's comments regarding Mansfield. The section of Eight Mile Plains east of the motorway fits well in Toohey (or Stretton), and the creek is a strong boundary.
- 6) The LNP propose a couple of minor adjustments on the Gold Coast that involve a handful of electors. They seem reasonable enough to me provided the locals agree.
- 7) The complaints about the loss of east-west connectivity in Warrego, and the transfer of Chinchilla and Miles, could be addressed by my comment in Part C above.
- 8) As a more general comment, the LNP make a number of references to Districts "being over projected quota". They did a similar thing in their Comments on Suggestions to discredit the proposals by myself and Jeff Waddell, which I found disappointing and in some ways quite deceptive.

There is no requirement for Districts to be within a set tolerance at the projection time, and the LNP should not attempt to confuse the issue by pretending that there is.

### (R) OBJECTIONS OF THE GREENS:

The Greens' three Objections are somewhat similar to those proposed by others:

- The Greens proposal to adjust the Bancroft/Murrumba boundary at Kallangur is very similar to mine, and needless to say I support it. However, I still think transferring Rothwell (reducing the north-south stretch of Murrumba) is preferable to altering the boundaries of Redcliffe.
- 2) The Greens propose the same exchange between Maiwar and Moggill as the ALP. As I have said, this is a strange proposal as the Western Freeway is a very strong boundary in the area.
- 3) The Greens' suggestion to place Weyba Downs and Peregian Beach in Noosa seems reasonable enough, but the Committee's proposed boundary along the Noosa/Sunshine Coast LGA boundary is quite strong. Since only 500-odd voters are involved, I am not particularly fussed either way.

Online submission for Coomera, Macalister, Theodore

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### Response to 1532

I disagree with Mr. Cherry about the benefits of using geographical and locality-based names for new electorates. Choosing electorate names in this way can cause confusion when the borders shift to remove the features after which they are named (a big example being the current proposed 'Coomera' electorate, which does not include the significant landmark of the Coomera River).

If seat names are chosen as the commission has proposed, it will be easier to retain electorate names when borders change, and long-standing electorate names would be more easily retained over time – which I agree is preferable, as Mr. Cherry has highlighted.

In my local area, I suggest the following names:

'Macalister' should be renamed 'Albert' as suggested. There are entities such as the Albert and Logan News, which covers the entirety of Macalister, and the Albert electorate office is currently in Beenleigh (Macalister).

'Coomera' should be renamed, as the Coomera River does not fall within its boundaries at all. The new 'Coomera' doesn't closely resemble the old one at all, and the Coomera electorate office isn't within the new boundaries.

'Theodore' should be renamed 'Coomera', in order to continue the 'Coomera' electorate name. Theodore hosts most of the Coomera river, almost all of Upper Coomera, and some of Coomera (the suburb). Queensland electoral redistribution 2017 – Oodgeroo electorate

I would like to comment on Objection 1491, provided by the Liberal National Party, in particular the following section on the renaming of the current electorate of Cleveland as Oodgeroo:

I. Proposed Oodgeroo There are only limited proposals made in respect of the existing district of Cleveland. As a consequence, it remains based on bayside residential suburbs as it has since its creation in 1992 from the then district of Redlands. However, the Commission has taken the opportunity to change the name to Oodgeroo. It is somewhat difficult to comprehend why, when very limited boundary changes are recommended, that the name of the district should be altered. Cleveland is a well established district name with the suburb of Cleveland being the retail and administrative centre of both the district and the City of Redlands. There is a strong sense of community identity which revolves around Cleveland itself and the broader Redlands community. While Oodgeroo Noonuccal is widely recognised as a poet and activist, there do not seem to be compelling reasons to remove the name Cleveland. The fact that the changes proposed by the Commission are extremely limited lessens any valid reasons to change the name of the district at this time. The Liberal National Party recommends the retention of the name Cleveland.

I am very disappointed that the LNP has taken this approach, as it is only fitting that at least one electorate in Quandamooka Country have a name that has some connection to the Quandamooka People, who, after all, have been associated with the area for around 20,000 years. In terms of the area's identity Quandamooka names are actually much more representative of its history and cultural heritage than names such as Cleveland and Redlands.

Oodgeroo Noonuccal (Kath Walker) was a great Quandamooka Elder and great Australian.

Oodgeroo was not just a great poet, educator and leading light of Australian and Indigenous literature and education, she was also a great activist for Aboriginal rights, including voting rights. Her story provides an enduring reminder to all Australians as to why we are privileged to be able to vote.

Despite being under the Aboriginals Protection and Restriction of the Sale of Opium Act and not being an Australian Citizen, Oodgeroo joined the Australian Women's Army Service in 1941 and became corporal. She played a key role to reform the Australian constitution to allow Aboriginal people full citizenship, lobbying both Prime Ministers Menzies in 1965, and Holt in 1966. When citizenship occurred Oodgeroo stood as the Australian Labor Party candidate in Greenslopes in the 1969 Queensland State election and as the Australian Democrat candidate for Redlands in the 1983 Queensland election. Oodgeroo was subsequently awarded honorary doctorates from Macquarie University (1988), Griffith University (1989), Monash University (1991), and Queensland University of Technology (1992). She taught and inspired both Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people across the nation over many decades. Due to her achievements, the very name "Oodgeroo" is a representation of why Indigenous Australian's engage in the political process and is an inspiration for us all to vote. If ever there was a compelling and relevant reason to rename an electorate, Oodgeroo Noonuccal is it.

I commend the Queensland Redistribution Commission for proposing this electorate name and urge the commission to ignore the LNP's objection to the proposal, and any other objection also, and proceed with the new name of Oodgeroo.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my views.

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18 April 2017

The Secretary Queensland Redistribution Commission GPO Box 1393 BRISBANE QLD 4001

**Dear Secretary** 

The Liberal National Party (LNP) Queensland takes this opportunity to respond to the objections received by the Queensland Redistribution Commission's (the Commission) to its *Proposal for the Redistribution of the State's Electoral Districts* required under the *Electoral Act 1992* (the Act).

The LNP has perused the 1546 objections received (see Attachment A).

Approximately a quarter of objections pertain to the nomenclature ascribed to the proposed districts. Overwhelmingly, the majority support no change to the name of existing districts; and any new names to be based on geographical landmarks. In addition to the formal objections, the proposed names engendered considerable negative comment in social, print and electronic media.

We reiterate the sentiment from our 27 March 2017 submission to the Commission, "That, where the naming of electoral districts does not necessarily strengthen community bonds, anything done to lessen that sense of community should be rejected. Accordingly, the naming of a district after a person with limited or no connection to the immediate area does not reflect the view of electors."

The objections to the draft boundaries as a whole are constructive with the intent of improving the Commission's suggested boundaries from the perspective of the commenter.

The Commission's attention is drawn to solutions recommended by industry, community groups, and/or local government that address community of interest concerns and conform with the Act's requirements.

On balance the Commission has proposed electoral boundaries for the South-East region that, as best as possible, comply with quota requirements and its drafting principles. Having considered the boundaries, consulted with stakeholders and listened to comments from electors, it is our view that, with a few exceptions, only minor changes are required to the Commission's draft boundaries to address community of interest concerns.

This view conflicts with some objections to the Commission's draft boundaries. These advocate substantial re-engineering and in some instances are politically self-serving and against the community's interest. The LNP recommends that at this final stage it would be unwise for any major reworking of boundaries without further consultation, unless a clear community view has been expressed for change.

It should also be noted that a large number of submissions refer to concerns about the size of electorates and the ongoing loss of representation for rural and regional electors. As stated in our submission to the Commission of 27 March 2017, "It is our considered view that one new district could have been and should have been located in regional Queensland, west of the Great Dividing Range." It is recognised that without the additional four seats there would have been a greater diminution of representation for regional Queenslanders.

Thank you for your consideration and we look forward to your final boundary determination.

Yours sincerely Michael O'Dwyer **State Director** 

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	COMMENTS ON OBJECTIONS TO PROPOSED DISTRICT BOUNDARIES	RIES
ELECTORATE	OBJECTION	RECOMMENDATION
Northern Queensland		
Mirani	s to proposed Mirani, against the strong community of	This proposal is not supported. The LNP accepts the QRC's
	interest between Gracemere and Rockhampton.	proposed boundary.
Mackay	S1542 raised genuine issues regarding the suburb Glenella's relocation from the Whitsunday	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
Whitsunday	S1542 raised genuine issues regarding the suburb Glenella's relocation from the Whitsunday	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	electorate. Statutory quota compliance requirements makes this unachievable.	
McMaster	S1297 raised several genuine issues regarding the proposed McMaster district, including its size.	While the objection has merit the LNP accepts the QRC's
		proposed boundary due to strict quota requirements.
Mundingburra	No substantial objections	
Townsville	A number of submissions argue Palm Island should be retained by proposed Townsville.	The LNP concurs Palm Island should be transferred from
Thuring	Nr cubetantial abiantiana	proposed Hinchinbrook to proposed Townsville.
Inuringowa	No substantial objections	
Hinchinbrook	A number of submissions argue Palm Island should be retained by proposed Townsville.	The LNP concurs Palm Island be transferred from proposed Hinchinbrook to proposed Townsville.
	Several submissions proposed differing solutions to the split of the Cassowary Coast Regional Council	Refer to the LNP objection submission which details a resolution
	lat	for the concerns of stakeholders in this area.
	at least Tully and its surrounds should be included in Hinchinbrook. This is consisent with the LNP's	
Hill		The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary with the
	substantial changes to the QRC's draft boundaries and is unachievable.	exception of those set out in the LNP objection submission.
	Some submissions suggested gulf communities would be better served as part of proposed Hill. This	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	would require substantial changes to the QRC's draft boundaries and is unachievable.	
		Refer to the LNP objection submission which details a resolution
	lat	for the concerns of stakeholders in this area.
	at least Tully and its surrounds should be included in Hinchinbrook. This is consisent with the LNP's	
	proposed solution for this issue.	
Mulgrave	No substantial objections	
Cairns	No substantial objections	
Barron River	S1399 proposes Kuranda be transfered to proposed Cook.	While the objection has merit the LNP accepts the QRC's
		proposea poundary que to strict quota requirements.
<b>Central Queensland</b>		

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ELECTORATE		RECOMMENDATION
Callide	S1541 proposed Calliope be reunited in proposed Gladstone and the Mt Larcom/Raglan area be	The LNP recognises the complex and challenging issues due to the
	transferredto proposed Callide. There is a strong community of interest argument for Calliope and	need to comply with the strict numerical requirements. The LNP
	Gladstone to be united. Equally it should be noted Mt Larcom has a close alignment with Gladstone	accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	and it has no transport connections with proposed Callide, except through proposed Gladstone. In	
	addition, S1541's proposal results in Callide being substantially below the allowed projected quota with	
	32,060 electors in 2023.	
	S1399 proposed that the South Burnett be transferred from proposed Nanango to Callide to off-set the	The LNP recognises the complex and challenging issues due to the
	possible move of Chinchilla and Miles to proposed Nanango. Potentially this would solve one	need to comply with the strict numerical requirements.
	community of interest issue by creating more.	
	Numerous submissions raised issues with Chinchilla and Miles being located in proposed Callide as	The LNP recognises the complex and challenging issues due to the
	opposed to Warrego. These concerns are well founded but unable to be resolved in the context of the	need to comply with the strict numerical requirements.
	draft boundaries released by the QRC.	
	A number of submissions raised the issue of Northern and Western Downs communities being	The LNP recognises the complex and challenging issues due to the
	represented by proposed Callide. These concerns are well founded but unable to be resolved in the	need to comply with the strict numerical requirements.
	context of the draft boundaries released by the QRC.	
Gladstone	S1541 proposed Calliope be reunited in proposed Gladstone and the Mt Larcom/Raglan area be	The LNP recognises the complex and challenging issues due to the
	transferredto proposed Callide. There is a strong community of interest argument for Calliope and	need to comply with the strict numerical requirements. The LNP
	Gladstone to be united. Equally it should be noted Mt Larcom has a close alignment with Gladstone	accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	and it has no transport connections with proposed Callide, except through proposed Gladstone. In	
	addition, S1541's proposal results in Callide being substantially below the allowed projected quota with	
	32,060 electors in 2023.	
Keppel	S1541 proposed Koongal & Lakes Creek remain in proposed Keppel.	The LNP accepts the QRC proposed boundary.
	Mirani. This is against the strong community of	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	interest between Gracemere and Rockhampton.	
Rockhampton	S1541 proposed Koongal & Lakes Creek remain in proposed Keppel.	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	S1399 advocated Gracemere move to proposed Mirani. This is against the strong community of	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	interest between Gracemere and Rockhampton.	
Wide Bay and Burnett Area	t Area	
Gympie	Numerous submissions advocated that Rainbow Beach does not have any connection with proposed	The LNP concurs Rainbow Beach and its surrounds should be in
	Noosa and should remain in proposed Gympie.	proposed Gympie.
	A number of submissions advocated that Tiaro and Bauple should be aligned with proposed Marybrough not Gymnie	The LNP concurs that at least Tiaro and its surrounds should be in promosed Marybornish

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ELECTORATE	OBJECTION	RECOMMENDATION
Maryborough	Some submissions raised concerns with the boundary between proposed Hervey Bay and	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	Maryborough. Due to quota requirements some Hervey Bay electors must be in proposed	
	Maryborough. It is important River Heads electors remain in Hervey Bay due to the lack of transport	
	links except through Hervey Bay.	
	A number of submissions advocated that Tiaro and Bauple should be aligned with proposed	The LNP concurs that at least Tiaro and its surrounds should be in
	Maryborough not Gympie.	proposed Maryborough
Hervey Bay	Some submissions raised concerns with the boundary between proposed Hervey Bay and	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	Maryborough. Due to quota requirements some Hervey Bay electors must be in proposed	
	Maryborough. It is important River Heads electors remain in Hervey Bay due to the lack of transport	
Bundaberg	S1431 suggested changes between proposed Bundaberg and Burnett.	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
Burnett		The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
Nanango	off-set the	The LNP recognises the complex and challenging issues due to the
	possible move of Chinchilla and Miles to proposed Nanango. Potentially this would solve one	need to comply with the strict numerical requirements.
	community of interest issue by creating more.	
The Sunshine Coast Area	lirea	
Tibrogargan	S1541 p7-10 proposed substantial changes to suburbs across the region impacting approximately 6000 The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.	he LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	electors. This would require substantial changes to the QRC's draft boundaries and is unachievable.	
	51431 proposed Elimbah and part of Caboolture be swapped between proposed Pumicestone and	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	Tibrogargan. This does not provide an enhanced community of interest outcome.	
	d Tibrogargan and Caloundra,	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	which appears to be a substantive change to the QRC draft boundaries.	
Caloundra	d Tibrogargan and Caloundra,	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
Kawana	ed Kawana and Buderim boundary. These	Refer to the LNP objection submission which details a resolution
	submissions support the LNP's proposal for this area.	for the concerns of stakeholders in this area.
Buderim	Numerous submissions raised issues with the proposed Kawana and Buderim boundary. These	Refer to the LNP objection submission which details a resolution
	submissions support the LNP's proposal for this area.	for the concerns of stakeholders in this area.
Maroochydore	th	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	contains a mixture of coastal and hinterland areas. This does not appear to enhance community of	
	interest outcomes.	
Ninderry	upported Weyba Downs and Peregian Beach reverting to proposed Noosa	This objection has merit.
	from proposed Ninderry.	

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	COMMENTS ON OBJECTIONS TO PROPOSED DISTRICT BOUNDARIES	ES
ELECTORATE	OBJECTION	RECOMMENDATION
	S1399 proposed Maroochydore and Ninderry both be redrawn as east-west aligned districts, so both	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	contains a mixture of coastal and hinterland areas. This does not appear to enhance community of interest outcomes.	
	Some proposals recommended minor changes regarding the proposed Buderim/Ninderry boundary.	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
Nicklin	No substantial objections	
Noosa	Numerous submissions advocated that Rainbow Beach does not have any connection with proposed	The LNP concurs Rainbow Beach and its surrounds should remain
	Noosa and should remain in proposed Gympie.	in proposed Gympie.
	upported Weyba Downs and Peregian Beach reverting to proposed Noosa	This objection has merit.
	from proposed Ninderry.	
The Area between Br	The Area between Brisbane and the Sunshine Coast	
D'Aguilar	S1541 p7-10 proposed substantial changes to suburbs across the region impacting approximately 6000 The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.	he LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	electors. This would require substantial changes to the QRC's draft boundaries and is unachievable.	
	Numerous submissions recommended Camp Mountain revert to proposed D'Aguilar from Ferny Grove.	The LNP concurs Camp Mountain should be transferred from
		proposed D'Aguilar to proposed Ferny Grove
	S1431 proposed SA1s 3138302 & 3138303 (Warner) move from proposed Everton to D'Aguilar that	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	appears unnecessary.	
Kurwongbah	S1541 p7-10 proposed substantial changes to suburbs across the region impacting approximately 6000	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	electors. This would require substantial changes to the QRC's draft boundaries and is unachievable.	
	Some submissions proposed the re-alignment of the proposed Kurwongbah - Bancroft boundary from	This objection has merit.
	51399 proposed substantial and consequential changes to the boundaries of proposed Pumicestone,	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	Bancroft, Kurwongbah, Morayfield and Murrumba. This would require substantial changes to the QRC's	
	draft boundaries and is unachievable.	
Murrumba	lurrumba.	This objection has merit.
	S1499 proposed an unnecessary change between Murrumba, Redcliffe and Bancroft.	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
		The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	Bancroft, Kurwongbah, Morayfield and Murrumba. This would require substantial changes to the QRC's	
	draft boundaries and is unachievable.	
Redcliffe	51499 proposed an unnecessary change between Murrumba, Redcliffe and Bancroft.	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
Bancroft	ancroft boundary from	This objection has merit.
	Old Gympie Rd to the Bruce Hwy between Deception Bay Rd and Boundary Rd.	

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	COMMENTS ON OBJECTIONS TO PROPOSED DISTRICT BOUNDARIES	ES
ELECTORATE	OBJECTION	RECOMMENDATION
	S1431 proposed Freshwater Creek be the boundary between proposed Bancroft & Murrumba.	This objection has merit.
	S1499 proposed an unnecessary change between Murrumba, Redcliffe and Bancroft.	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	S1399 proposed substantial and consequential changes to the boundaries of proposed Pumicestone,	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	Bancroft, Kurwongbah, Morayfield and Murrumba. This would require substantial changes to the QRC's	
	draft boundaries and is unachievable.	
Morayfield	S1541 p7-10 proposed substantial changes to suburbs across the region impacting approximately 6000 The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.	he LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	electors. This would require substantial changes to the QRC's draft boundaries and is unachievable.	
	51399 proposed substantial and consequential changes to the boundaries of proposed Pumicestone,	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	Bancroft, Kurwongbah, Morayfield and Murrumba. This would require substantial changes to the QRC's	
	draft boundaries and is unachievable.	
Pumicestone	Pumicestone and	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	Tibrogargan. This does not provide an enhanced community of interest outcome.	
	S1399 proposed substantial and consequential changes to the boundaries of proposed Pumicestone,	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	Bancroft, Kurwongbah, Morayfield and Murrumba. This would require substantial changes to the QRC's	
	draft boundaries and is unachievable.	
North of the Brisbane River	e River	
Moggill	et and the Indooroopilly suburb area north of	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	Centenary Highway (Waverley Rd) between proposed Maiwar and Moggill. This change is unnecessary	
	as the Centenary Highway is the natural boundary in this area and Fig Tree Pocket residents use	
	Indooroopilly Shopping Centre as their community centre. This proposal does not enhance the	
	community of interest outcome for this area.	
Maiwar	et and the Indooroopilly suburb area north of	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	Centenary Highway (Waverley Rd) between proposed Maiwar and Moggill. This change is unnecessary	
	as the Centenary Highway is the natural boundary in this area and Fig Tree Pocket residents use	
	Indooroopilly Shopping Centre as their community centre. This proposal does not enhance the	
	community of interest outcome for this area.	
	S1399 proposed a change to the proposed boundary between Maiwar and Cooper that appears	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
Cooper	S1399 proposed a change to the proposed boundary between Maiwar and Cooper that appears	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	unnecessary.	
McConnel	the region impacting approximately 11,000	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	electors in the region. These changes are unnecessary and contusingly split communities.	
Stafford	No substantial objections	

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ELECTORATE	OBJECTION	RECOMMENDATION
Clayfield	S1541 proposed substantial changes to suburbs across the region impacting approximately 11,000	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	electors in the region. These changes are unnecessary and confusingly split communities.	
Nudgee		The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	electors in the region. These changes are unnecessary and confusingly split communities.	
	Some submissions recommended Zillmere be moved from proposed Aspley to Nudgee. Statutory quota The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.	he LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	compliance requirements makes this undesirable.	
Ferny Grove	Numerous submissions recommended Camp Mountain revert to proposed D'Aguilar from Ferny Grove. The LNP concurs Camp Mountain should be transferred from	he LNP concurs Camp Mountain should be transferred from
		proposed D'Aguilar to proposed Ferny Grove
	A number of submissions supported Bunya being united in one electorate.	Refer to the LNP objection submission which details a resolution
		for the concerns of stakeholders in this area.
Everton	S1431 proposed SA1s 3138302 & 3138303 (Warner) move from proposed Everton to D'Aguilar that	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	appears unnecessary.	
	A number of submissions supported Bunya being united in one electorate.	Refer to the LNP objection submission which details a resolution
		for the concerns of stakenologers in this area.
	S669 raised the lack of access to sections of Bridgeman Downs under the QRC proposal. This concern	Refer to the LNP objection submission which details a resolution
	has merit.	for the concerns of stakeholders in this area.
Aspley	S1399 proposed Aspley lose the area north of Strathpine and Hoyland Roads to Sandgate. This would	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	be a substantive change.	
	S669 raised the lack of access to sections of Bridgeman Downs under the QRC proposal. This concern	Refer to the LNP objection submission which details a resolution
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	Some submissions recommended Zillmere be moved from proposed Aspley to Nudgee. Statutory quota The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.	he LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	compliance requirements makes this undesirable.	
Sandgate	S1399 proposed Aspley lose the area north of Strathpine and Hoyland Roads to Sandgate. This would	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	be a substantive change.	
Southern Queensland		
Southern Downs	No substantial objections	
Lockyer	No substantial objections	
Condamine	No substantial objections	
Toowoomba North	Submission 1541 proposed an unnecessary change to a well recognised, historic and defined boundary	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	on Tor and James Streets (Warrego Highway). It is incorrect to suggest this change should be made to	
	align with school districts as SA1s 3145312, 3145313, 3145314 and part of 3145315 are in Glenvale	
	State School district which is located in the Toowoomba South electorate. Likewise these SA1s are in	
	the Harristown State High School catchment area which is also located in the Toowoomba South	
	district.	

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Toowoomba South	Submission 1541 proposed an unnecessary change to a well recognised, historic and defined boundary on Tor and James Streets (Warrego Highway). It is incorrect to suggest this change should be made to align with school districts as SA1s 3145312, 3145313, 3145314 and part of 3145315 are in Glenvale State School district which is located in the Toowoomba South electorate. Likewise these SA1s are in the Harristown State High School catchment area which is also located in the Toowoomba South district.	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
The Ipswich Area		
Jordan	51431 proposed substantial changes to the boundaries of proposed Logan, Jordan, Scenic Rim, Algester, Macalister, Ipswich West and Woodridge that impacts on approximately 13,500 electors. 51399 proposes a variation on this. This would require substantial changes to the QRC's draft boundaries and is unachievable.	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	Some submitters raised issues with Flagstone being moved from proposed Logan to proposed Jordan.	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
Bundamba	No substantial objections	
Ipswich	No substantial objections	
Ipswich West	Several submitters recommend Willowbank be placed in proposed Ipswich West not Scenic Rim.	This objection has merit.
South of the Brisbane River Area	: River Area	
Capalaba	No substantial objections	
Lytton	Submission 1541 proposed a confusing boundary that divides the suburb surrounding Wondal Gardens. This is away from the clear and well defined QRC boundary of Wynnum & Manly Rds. The	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	argument regarding Tingalpa State School catchment fails as Mayfield and Camp Hill State School catchments are also split in this area as well.	
Chatsworth	Submission 1541 proposed a confusing boundary that divides the suburb surrounding Wondal	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	Gardens. This is away from the clear and well defined QRC boundary of Wynnum & Manly Rds. The	
	argument regarding Tingalpa State School catchment fails as Mayfield and Camp Hill State School	
	catchments are also split in this area as well.	
Bulimba	No substantial objections	
South Brisbane	No substantial objections	
Miller	S1431 proposed SA1 3109501 move from proposed Mount Ommaney to proposed Miller. S1527 recommended more substantial changes. Chelmer and Sherwood east of the railway line should be in	Refer to the LNP objection submission which details a resolution for the concerns of stakeholders in this area.
	proposed Mount Ommaney on community of interest grounds.	

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ELECTORATE	OBJECTION	RECOMMENDATION
Greenslopes	S1527 raised concerns with the proposed Mansfield/Greenslopes boundary.	The LNP recognises this area is challenging and accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
Mansfield	S1527 raised concerns with the proposed Mansfield/Greenslopes boundary.	The LNP recognises this area is challenging and accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
Toohey	Some submissions raised concerns with the representation of Brisbane Technology Park and its surrounds.	The LNP recognises this area is challenging and accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	51399 recommended substantial changes to the boundaries of proposed Stretton, Toohey and Algester. This would require substantial changes to the QRC's draft boundaries and is unachievable.	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
Stretton	Some submissions raised concerns with the representation of Brisbane Technology Park and its surrounds.	The LNP recognises this area is challenging and accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	51399 recommended substantial changes to the boundaries of proposed Stretton, Toohey and Algester. This would require substantial changes to the QRC's draft boundaries and is unachievable.	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
Algester	51431 proposed substantial changes to the boundaries of proposed Logan, Jordan, Scenic Rim, Algester, Macalister, Ipswich West and Woodridge that impacts on approximately 13,500 electors. 51399 proposes a variation on this. This would require substantial changes to the QRC's draft boundaries and is unachievable.	The LNP recognises this area is challenging due to anticipated population growth and accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
lala	51399 recommended substantial changes to the boundaries of proposed Stretton, Toohey and Algester. This would require substantial changes to the QRC's draft boundaries and is unachievable. No substantial objections	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
Mount Ommaney	3501 move from proposed Mount Ommaney to proposed Miller. S1527 tantial changes. Chelmer and Sherwood east of the railway line should be in ey on community of interest grounds.	Refer to the LNP objection submission which details a resolution for the concerns of stakeholders in this area.
The Area between Br	The Area between Brisbane and the Gold Coast	
Scenic Rim	51431 proposed substantial changes to the boundaries of proposed Logan, Jordan, Scenic Rim, Algester, Macalister, Ipswich West and Woodridge that impacts on approximately 13,500 electors. 51399 proposes a variation on this. This would require substantial changes to the QRC's draft boundaries and is unachievable.	The LNP recognises this area is challenging due to anticipated population growth and accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	Several submitters recommend Willowbank be placed in proposed Ipswich West not Scenic Rim.	This objection has merit.
Logan	Ss1541, 1525 & 1535 advocate to revert to previous boundaries in the west of Logan City which would require substantial reconfiguration.	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	A number of submissions advocate Bahrs Scrub to move proposed Macalister.	While the objection has merit the LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary due to complex quota requirements.

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	S1431 proposed substantial changes to the boundaries of proposed Logan, Jordan, Scenic Rim,	The LNP recognises this area is challenging due to anticipated
	Algester, Macalister, Ipswich West and Woodridge that impacts on approximately 13,500 electors.	population growth and accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	S1399 proposes a variation on this. This would require substantial changes to the QRC's draft	
	boundaries and is unachievable.	
	Some submitters raised issues with Flagstone being moved from proposed Logan to proposed Jordan.	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
Woodridge	81431 proposed substantial changes to the boundaries of proposed Logan, Jordan, Scenic Rim,	The LNP recognises this area is challenging due to anticipated
	500 electors. This	population growth and accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	would require substantial changes to the QRC's draft boundaries and is unachievable.	
	S1399 proposed substantial changes to the boundaries of proposed Springwood, Macalister, Waterford The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.	he LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	and Woodridge. This would require substantial changes to the QRC's draft boundaries and is unachievable.	
Waterford	sions advocated Rochedale South transfer from proposed Springwood to proposed	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	A number of submissions proposed Bethania transfer from proposed Macalister	While the objection has merit the LNP accepts the QRC's
	S1399 proposed substantial changes to the boundaries of proposed Springwood, Macalister, Waterford The LNP accepts the QRC proposed boundary.	he LNP accepts the QRC proposed boundary.
	and Woodridge. This would require substantial changes to the QRC's draft boundaries and is	
	unachievable.	
Macalister	A number of submissions advocated Bahrs Scrub move from proposed Logan and Windaroo &	While the objection has merit the LNP accepts the QRC proposed
	Bannockburn transfer from proposed Macalister to proposed Coomera.	boundary due to complex quota requirements.
	A number of submissions proposed Bethania transfer to proposed Waterford.	While the objection has merit the LNP accepts the QRC proposed
		boundary.
	S1431 proposed substantial changes to the boundaries of proposed Logan, Jordan, Scenic Rim,	The LNP recognises this area is challenging due to anticipated
	Algester, Macalister, Ipswich West and Woodridge that impacts on approximately 13,500 electors. This	population growth and accepts the QRC proposed boundary.
	would require substantial changes to the QRC's draft boundaries and is unachievable.	
	Numerous submissions raised that Cornubia and Carbrook north of the Logan River should not be	While the objection has merit the LNP accepts the QRC proposed
	included in Macalister.	boundary due to complex quota requirements.
	S1399 proposed substantial changes to the boundaries of proposed Springwood, Macalister, Waterford The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.	he LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	and Woodridge. This would require substantial changes to the QRC's draft boundaries and is	
	unachievable.	
Springwood	wood to proposed	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	Waterford. This does not appear to support community of interest outcomes.	
	S1399 proposed substantial changes to the boundaries of proposed Springwood, Macalister, Waterford The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary. and Woodridge. This would require substantial changes to the ORC's draft boundaries and is	he LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	unachievable.	

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	Several submissions raised issues with Mt Cotton and Sheldon being in proposed Springwood. The complexity of quota requirements makes resolving this issue difficult.	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
Redlands	Several submissions raised issues with Mt Cotton and Sheldon being in proposed Springwood. The complexity of quota requirements makes resolving this issue difficult.	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
Oodgeroo	No substantial objections	
Gold Coast Area		
Currumbin	No substantial objections	
Burleigh	No substantial objections	
<b>Mermaid Beach</b>	No substantial objections	
Surfers Paradise	Submission 1431 proposed to include the Royal Pines Golf Club from Southport away from the strong	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	boundary of Benowa Rd and revert to the old boundary to cross the Nerang River. These are unnecessary and conflicting changes.	
Southport	Substantial re-engineering by Submission 1541 (p12-14) impacts on approximately 4000 electors and results in the unsatisfactory outcome of the Southport CBD being severed in half to the detriment of	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	the commercial sector and the community.	
	Emerald Lakes is part of Nerang Police District and is a significant section of the suburb of Carrara	
	which should not be split.	
	he strong	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	boundary of Benowa Rd and revert to the old boundary to cross the Nerang River. These are	
	unnecessary and conflicting changes.	
	re, Gaven, Mudgeeraba and	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
Bonney	t) impacts on approximately 3000 electors and	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	results in the unsatistactory outcome of the Southport CBU being severed in hair to the detriment of the commercial sector and the community.	
	ney – Broadwater boundary that divides both Coombabah	While the objection has merit the LNP accepts the QRC's
		proposed boundary.
	Runaway Bay.	
Broadwater	S1431 proposed to re-align part of the Bonney – Broadwater boundary that divides both Coombabah	While the objection has merit the LNP accepts the QRC's
	and Biggera Waters suburbs to follow the locality boundaries of Biggera Waters, Coombabah and	proposed boundary.
	Runaway Bay.	
Mudgeeraba	re, Gaven, Mudgeeraba and	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	Southport. These changes unnecessarily impact on communities.	

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Gaven	S1541 proposed southern Oxenford move into Gaven on a spurious community of interest basis. The theme parks do not form a "clear boundary" and there is no such area as 'Southern Oxenford' recorded or used by locals. Binstead Way/Gaven Arterial forms a well recognised local boundary as a Gold Coast City Council Divisional boundary and a delineation for police response areas. Likewise Emerald Lakes is part of the Nerang Police District and is a significant section of the suburb of Carrara which should not be split. It is noted that the elector numbers quoted by S1541 appears to be incorrect (36,143 versus 34,033).	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	S1431 proposed to revert to the old boundary to cross the Nerang River. This is unnecessary.           S1399 proposed Clastraba remain in proposed Gaven.	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary. The LNP accents the ORC's proposed boundary.
Theodore	ed Gaven on a sourious community of interest	The INP accepts the ORC's proposed boundary.
		The LINT accepts the CAN's proposed boundary.
	sed Theodore, Gaven, Mudgeeraba and mmunities.	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	S1399 proposed Clagiraba remain in proposed Gaven.	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
Coomera	S1541 proposed SA1 3132108 (Cedar Creek development) be split. It is unclear what the impact of the number of electors would be. The Cedar Creek area lacks any community of interest to the balance of proposed Coomera, has poor to no transport linkages to the major communities in proposed Coomera and has a natural affinity to communities in proposed Logan.	The LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary.
	A number of submissions advocated Windaroo & Bannockburn transfer from proposed Macalister to proposed Coomera.	While the objection has merit the LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary due to complex quota requirements.
Eloctorial Districts		
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Cook	S1399 proposed Kuranda be moved to Cook.	While the objection has merit the LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary due to complex quota requirements.
Gregory	Some submissions expressed concerns that their regions would be better situated in the electorate of Gregory with other like and connected communities.	While the objections have merit the LNP accepts the QRC's proposed boundary due to complex quota requirements.
Traeger	Numerous submissions raised genuine concerns regarding the abolition of Dalrymple and the impact of The proposed boundaries reflect the statutory requirements large seats on the representation of electors. As the LNP stated in its submission and objections ideally leaving little opportunity for alternative resolution. an additional seat could have been and should have been created west of the Great Dividing Range to improve electors access to democratic representation and public life.	he proposed boundaries reflect the statutory requirements aving little opportunity for alternative resolution.

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ELECTORATE	OBJECTION	RECOMMENDATION
Warrego	Numerous submissions raised issues with Chinchilla and Miles being placed in proposed Callide as	The LNP recognises the complex and challenging issues due to the
	opposed to Warrego.	need to comply with the strict numerical requirements.

Online submission for All Districts, Redlands

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13<sup>th</sup> April, 2017

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Dear Sir.

- 41 'Suggestions' on where the State Electoral Boundaries should be.
- 313 'Comments on those Suggestions'
- 1,546 'Objections' to the proposed boundaries their proposed names.
- How many 'Comments on those Objections'?

These 'Objections' can be classified into two parts, namely:-

- Proposed names of the proposed Districts.
- Proposed boundaries of the proposed Districts.

### Names of Districts:-

This is the 'easy' part of the 'objections'.

If the Redistribution Commission so desires it can change the name of a particular District without having a flow on effect to other proposed Districts.

There seem to be a general view that geographical names are preferred to names of decease distinguished persons.

That is a view I concur with.

I hereby make comments on some of the submissions re proposed names of districts.

• The Hon. Peter Wellington, Chair, of the Committee of Legislative Committee.

I am in agreement of his letter however if indigenous 'geographic' and 'locality' names are used they should generally recognized in the community like 'Maranoa'

Without this 'community recognition' it would serve no purpose using 'indigenous names'.

• Liberal National Party objection to the name 'Theodore'.

I find the statement Mr. Theodore was subject to allegation surrounding what was known as the Mungana Affair adverse findings were made by a subsequent Royal Commission objectionable.

To my knowledge Mr. Theodore was never charged with an offence let alone been convicted. I advise that should one of the former National Party luminaries ever be nominated as a name of a proposed Electoral Division (either State of Federal) I will raise his charging and the subsequent 'hung jury' as reasons why the district should not be named after him.

Should there be an outcry that 'bygones' should be 'bygones' I will remind them of the LNP submission in 'Objections' to the 2016 State Redistribution objecting to a district being named after another former Premier, E.G. Theodore on the grounds that he was subject to 'unresolved' allegations some 85 years ago.

### **Boundary Objections:**

A large number of 'objections' did not offer an alternative to keep the proposed districts within quota, which makes it difficult for the Redistribution Commission.

They don't want to be in 'A' District but have no suggestion how they can be in 'B' and keep both within quota.

• Buderim/Kawana: - 'Objections' to this boundary by far outstripped any other in the numbers received.

From reading the alternative proposals I suggest the suggestion from the Member for Buderim, Mr. Steve Dickson has merit.

In regard to the Buderim/Kawana 'objections' I draw your attention to **Obj-776** from Mrs Dorothy Macmichael, Assistant Electoral Officer, for the Member for Kawana, Mr. Jarrod Bleijie.

This 'objection' was on Mr. Bleijie's letterhead.

I question the use of a Member's letterhead for a private person's objection.

This matter may be outside the scope of the Redistribution Commission; however they may consider it appropriate to refer the matter to the Speaker of State Parliament, Hon. Peter Wellington.

• Noosa/Gympie/Maryborough:-

I believe Rainbow Beach residents have a legitimate 'objection' to being placed in the proposed District of Noosa and should remain in the District of Gympie.

Whether Tiaro could be placed in the District of Maryborough to compensate, I am not sure as I have not done the figures, but on 'community of interest' grounds it should be in Maryborough.

There should be no problem adjusting the Noosa boundaries to accommodate the loss of Rainbow Beach to Gympie.

• Callide/Gladstone:-

There were a number of 'objections' re the town of Calliope being placed in the proposed District of Callide.

I agree with one of the 'objectors' that the District of Gladstone will not grow as fast as projected (even contract) now that the construction boom is over and therefore the town of Calliope should remain in the District of Callide. I accept that the Redistribution Commission has to use the projected enrolments given to them from external sources, such as the ABS; however I believe that they could go to the upper reaches of the 10% tolerance knowing that the construction boom in the Gladstone area is over.

I believe the ALP suggestion in there 'objection' that retains the Town of Calliope in the District of Gladstone with remaining areas proposed for District of Callide to stay there, is a suitable solution.

• Callide/Warrego:-

The Chinchilla, Miles area being placed in the proposed District of Callide, while towns to the east and west are in the proposed District of Warrego, leaves them 'out in the sticks'.

I suggest that they be placed in the District of Warrego, and if that puts the District of Warrego over quota, a 'round robin occur' with some of the western areas in the proposed District of Warrego, currently in the Districts of Gregory and Mount Isa, transferring to the proposed District of Gregory, and in turn the proposed District of Gregory loose some of areas east of Emerald to the proposed District of Callide.

This would make the proposed District of Callide more compact.

Under the proposed redistribution there are two Districts (Callide and McMaster) are over 50,000 kmsq but less than the 100,000 kmsq required to gain additional resources to service their Districts.

I realise that this is outside the scope of the Redistribution Commission, however I believe that whoever is responsible for resourcing State Members of Parliament should look at this matter with the view of increasing the resources to assist the Members of these two proposed Districts service their large and diverse electorates.

Townsville/Hinchinbrook:-

Palm Island:-

There were a number of 'objections' from diverse backgrounds objecting to the inclusion of Palm Island in the proposed District of Hinchinbrook.

As I stated in my 'objection' I believe Palm Island should remain in the District of Townsville.

To do this, the propose District of Townsville would remain within quota, as would Hinchinbrook.

• Hinchinbrook:-

There were a number of 'objections' including the LNP and the Herbert District Canegrowers objecting to the shift in make up of the proposed District of Hinchinbrook from a rural district with a urban area (northern area of the City of Townsville) to a urban district with a rural rump (Hinchinbrook Shire).

It should be noted:-

(a) In my 'suggestion' I left the District of Hinchinbrook as the existing District, except for a bit of 'housekeeping' around Innisfail. (b) The ALP even suggested transferring the suburb of Burdell to the District of Townsville.

© It was the LNP who suggested putting a part of a District between the existing Districts of Hinchinbrook and Mulgrave, but there figures did not 'stack up' so when the Redistribution Commission accepted there 'suggestion' they had to 'push' Hinchinbrook further into urban Townsville to 'get a quota'.

Now the LNP calls 'fowl'.

They, the LNP, only have themselves to blame for this District taking more of urban Townsville.

They, the LNP, will get their rural District back if the Redistribution accepts my 'objection' to the proposed District of Hill and makes that District a Tablelands District stretching west to Normanton.

• Hinchinbrook/Hill

The LNP wants Tully transferred back into Hinchinbrook.

The Tully Cane Growers Ltd request all there mill area be within the one State electoral district.

The Cassowary Coast Regional Council requests that all its area be in the proposed electorate of Hill.

I believe that if the proposed District of Hill is to have a coastal component it should be all the Cassowary Coast Regional Council area.

This, coupled with the loss of Palm Island would leave the proposed Hinchinbrook short of a quota, which could be made up by placing all those areas north of the Bohle River in the proposed District of Thuringowa into the proposed District of Hinchinbrook.

I know that this will further rile the LNP but it is the only way I can see to bring Hinchinbrook back into quota.

In turn, adjustments would need to be made to the boundary of the proposed Districts of Thuringowa/Townsville to bring the proposed District of Thuringowa back within quota.

If the proposed District of Townsville regains Palm Island it would be able to absorb the above suggested alteration to the proposed Townsville/Thuringowa boundary and still remain within quota.

• Hill/Mulgrave:-

It appears that the LNP wants the Mulgrave River to be the boundary between the proposed Districts of Hill and Mulgrave.

They state: - There is expressed general agreement that, to the north, Gordonvale forms a natural boundary between proposed Hill and Mulgrave. Stakeholders in the area have expressed a preference that Fishery Falls, Deeral and Little Mulgrave align more closely in character with proposed Hill. Close affinity exists for Fishery Falls and Deeral to Bellenden Ker and Babinda.

I suggest that the LNP try and tell that to the residents of Goldsborough Valley.

The Goldsborough Valley is made up of rural residential allotments with many of its residents working in Cairns and has no affiliation with Babinda at all.

I believe that should the proposed District of Hill have a coastal component, it should only be Cassowary Coast Regional Council area, and that part of the Cairns Regional Council area in the proposed District of Hill should be retained in the proposed District of Mulgrave.

This would, in turn, require an alteration of the proposed Cairns/Mulgrave boundary in the Woree area to bring the proposed District of Mulgrave back within quota on projected enrolments in 2023.

• Abolishment of the District of Dalrymple and the creation of the proposed District of Treagar.

There were a number of 'objections' to this proposal.

It should be noted:-

(a) The Tableland people were dead against the abolishment of the then District of Tablelands at the last redistribution, and wanted nothing to do with then proposed new District of Dalrymple based on Charters Towers.

They are now saying whata 'good bloke' Shane Knuth is, and they want nothing to do with the proposed District of Hill. (b) It was the then National Party's 'suggestion' to abolish the then District of Tablelands and the current Member for Dalrymple, Mr, Shane Knuth, as the National Party's Member for the then District of Charters Towers, went along with that 'suggestion' and subsequently defeated the then Member for Tablelands, Rosa Lee Long.

© Since then Mr. Knuth has left the LNP, the LNP has 'turned the screws' on him and he is 'screaming'.

(d) The Katter Australia Party, after pushing for an increase in the size of the Parliament did not even bother to make a 'suggestion' to this redistribution.

They made a contribution in the "comments on suggestions' requesting a large outback district based on Mount Isa even though their Member for Mount Isa ,Mr Rob Katter is always complaining that his electorate is 'too big' in area to adequately service.

(e) The residents of Charters Towers are complaining about being in the same proposed District as Mount Isa.

They have been in the same Federal Division for at least the last 68 years.

Also while it will be up to the incoming Member for Treager to determine where his offices will be I would imagine one will be in Charters Towers, a much better situation than the electors of Miles, coupled with Callide, which is allowed only one electoral office that is currently situated in Biloela. (f) Many of the 'objections' were personal references for the local Member.

Deciding the boundaries of an electorate based on 'how good or bad' the local Member is, does not fall within the terms of reference that the Redistribution Commission must follow when proposing district boundaries.

(g) It is a pity that some of the Western Shires and the businesses in those areas left it to the '11 hour' to make a contribution to this redistribution process.

I was surprised to read that the Burke Shire looks to the Tablelands and Cairns as their service centres and not Mount Isa.

Similarly, that the Boulia Shire looks to Winton and further east in preference to Mount Isa.

I believe had they made a contribution earlier in the redistribution process, it may have helped the Redistribution Commission in formulating the proposed boundaries.

It would have certainly assisted me in my contributions to the process.

(h) I have suggested that the proposed District of Hill ago as far west as Normanton, but not to include the Local Government areas of Burke, Mornington Island and Doomadgee' To include these Local Government areas in my suggested District of Hill would have reduced the proposed District of Treagar to below the allowable variation to the quota of 10% even with the addition of areas from the Townsville City Council, namely Woodstock.

As this is my final contribution to the redistribution process I thank the Commission for giving me the opportunity to contribute.

Also I make a special thanks to the Commission staff that has always been helpful with by queries.

Should you have any queries, please phone me on 0427 561459.

Yours sincerely

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Before 27th March 2017

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**Dear Queensland Redistribution Commission** 

I wish to lodge my objection to the communities of Miles and Chinchilla being placed in the Electorate of Callide. We simply do not have a community of interest to the north.

Miles and Chinchilla are in the Surat Basin and have little community of interest with so far to the north as we are situated in a different resource basin, catchment, local government area and state department regional boundaries, that run in an east west from Brisbane, Toowoomba and Ipswich. To travel from Miles or Chinchilla to the north of Callide under the current proposal one has to drive through either Taroom or Dalby as there is no direct road connection.

I suggest that the 8728 voters that have been taken from the Condamine Electorate into Warrego be placed in the Callide Electorate. This would enable the Callide Electorate to have a north south community of interest along the Dalby Jandowea Mundubbera Durong Road. Miles and Chinchilla (7448 voters) and possibly areas from Wandoan and Taroom (to make up the numbers) then be located into Warrego where there is community of interest, transport and commerce links.

The clear community of interest on the Western Downs (ie Miles and Chinchilla) is in an east west direction and follows the Warrego Highway.

I strongly urge the Redistribution Commission to reconsider the draft boundaries and follow the east west transport routes for Warrego and the north south transport routes for Callide.

I acknowledge that my submission, including any personal and/or identifying information provided, will be published in its entirety and made available for public inspection.

Yours faithfully

Signature & Amith.

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As the Deputy Mayor of Logan City and having been a councillor in Logan City since 1997, I have a strong understanding of the connections and communities in Logan City.

I represent the areas of Browns Plains, Regents Park, Heritage Park and Park Ridge and object to the proposal to divide these suburbs into three different areas when they were previously in the one State Division. These areas have a close connection and are clearly divided by the Mt Lindesay Highway- a border that is clear between Division 7 and Division 8. It is an unusual decision for the State Division of Algester to come across the highway in this way, a decision that also cuts across local government boundaries. The proposal seems to completely ignore the local government boundaries and divide divisions unnecessarily.

The local divisions in Logan City in the southern part of the City where they can follow the North-South transport corridors that define not just the ways of travel but also economic and social ties up and down the Mt Lindesay Highway. Many people further down the Mt Lindesay corridor come to Browns Plains to shop, use medical services, to play sport or go to schools. The local divisions reflect these travel, economic and social connections.

I have included a copy of the Logan City Divisions where these north-south divisions are clear. I note that the ALP submission also noted that these transport corridors are a key part of Logan City.

I hope you can take into account that Browns Plains be kept with Regents Park and take note that many in the Mt Lindesay corridor use services in Browns Plains and Regents Park.

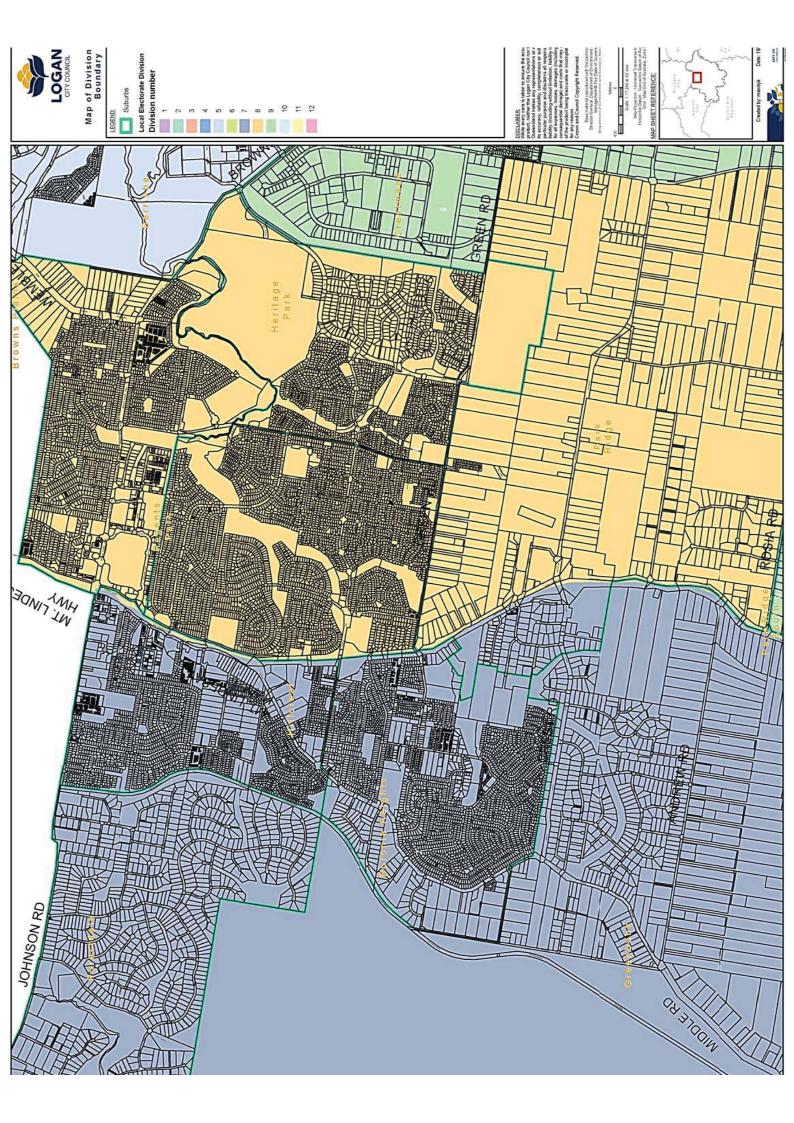
Yours sincerely

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# Quandamooka Yoolooburrabee Aboriginal Corporation

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Redistribution of Queensland State electorates 2017

Proposed electorate of Oodgeroo

Comment on Objection 1491, from the Liberal National Party of Queensland

### Introduction

In this submission the Quandamooka Yoolooburrabee Aboriginal Corporation (QYAC) is responding to Objection 1491, provided by the Liberal National Party, in particular the following section on the renaming of the current electorate of Cleveland as Oodgeroo:

I. Proposed Oodgeroo There are only limited proposals made in respect of the existing district of Cleveland. As a consequence, it remains based on bayside residential suburbs as it has since its creation in 1992 from the then district of Redlands. However, the Commission has taken the opportunity to change the name to Oodgeroo. It is somewhat difficult to comprehend why, when very limited boundary changes are recommended, that the name of the district should be altered. Cleveland is a well-established district name with the suburb of Cleveland being the retail and administrative centre of both the district and the City of Redlands. There is a strong sense of community identity which revolves around Cleveland itself and the broader Redlands community. While Oodgeroo Noonuccal is widely recognised as a poet and activist, there do not seem to be compelling reasons to remove the name Cleveland. The fact that the changes proposed by the Commission are extremely limited lessens any valid reasons to change the name of the district at this time. The Liberal National Party recommends the retention of the name Cleveland.

### About QYAC

The Quandamooka Yoolooburrabee Aboriginal Corporation (QYAC) is the prescribed body corporate, registered under the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006,* which holds the Quandamooka People's native title rights and interests. Quandamooka is the Indigenous word for the Moreton Bay region. Yoolooburrabee means 'people of the sand and sea'.

QYAC is also the registered cultural heritage body under the *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act* 2003 (QLD). It is responsible for cultural heritage management across the Quandamooka estate.

In addition, QYAC has a number of statutory obligations and key links with the following legislation:

- North Stradbroke Island Protection and Sustainability Act 2011 (QLD);
- Nature Conservation Act 1992 (QLD); and
- Recreation Area Management Act 2006 (QLD).

QYAC also has a key role to play in the following local plans and strategies:

- North Stradbroke Island Economic Transition Strategy;
- Quandamooka Action Plan;
- North Stradbroke Island Indigenous Business Development Plan; and
- Quandamooka Aboriginal Community Plan.

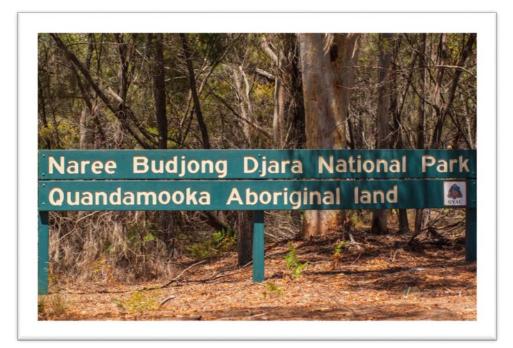
As the Quandamooka People's Cultural Heritage managers QYAC is responsible for issues relevant to the naming of sites or nominated areas within Quandamooka Country. Quandamooka Country and the Quandamooka People

The Quandamooka People are a First Nation of over 2000 traditional owners from Moreton Bay, south east Queensland, Australia. The clans of the Quandamooka include the Noonuccul, Ngughi and Goenpul.

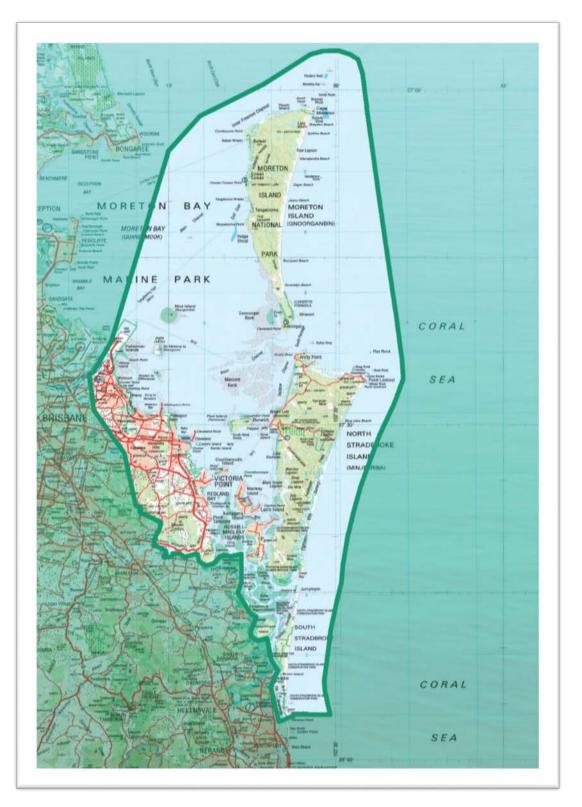
According to the 2011 Census, there were 425 Aboriginal residents on Minjerribah (North Stradbroke Island).

The Quandamooka territory (see map), known as "Country", comprises the waters and lands of and around Mulgumpin (Moreton Island), Minjerribah, the southern Moreton Bay islands and South Stradbroke Island. It includes the mainland from the mouth of the Brisbane River, Wynnum, Chandler, Lytton, Belmont, Tingalpa, south to Cleveland and the Logan River. Parts of Quandamooka "Country" exist in four Queensland local government areas – the Brisbane City Council, Redland City Council, Logan City Council and Gold Coast City Council.

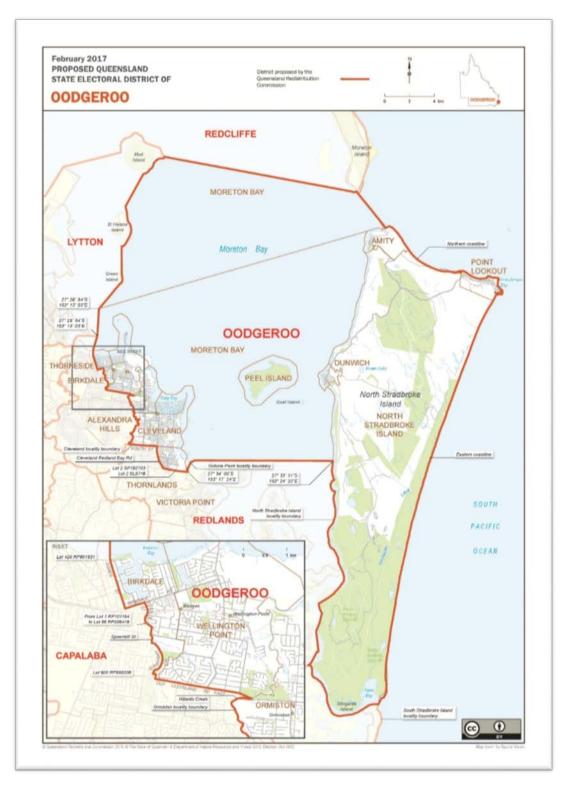
The proposed electorate of Oodgeroo is within Quandamooka Country.



## 1. Quandamooka Country



### 2. Proposed Oodgeroo Electorate



### About Oodgeroo Noonuccal

Oodgeroo Noonuccal (Kath Walker) was a great Quandamooka Elder and great Australian.

Oodgeroo was not just a great poet, educator and leading light of Australian and Indigenous literature and education, she was also a great activist for Aboriginal rights, including voting rights. Her story provides an enduring reminder to all Australians as to why we are privileged to be able to vote.

Despite being under the *Aboriginals Protection and Restriction of the Sale of Opium Act* and not being an Australian Citizen, Oodgeroo joined the Australian Women's Army Service in 1941 and became corporal. She played a key role to reform the Australian constitution to allow Aboriginal people full citizenship, lobbying both Prime Ministers Menzies in 1965, and Holt in 1966. When citizenship occurred Oodgeroo stood as the Australian Labor Party candidate in Greenslopes in the 1969 Queensland State election and as the Australian Democrat candidate for Redlands in the 1983 Queensland election.



Oodgeroo was subsequently awarded honorary doctorates from Macquarie University (1988), Griffith University (1989), Monash University (1991), and Queensland University of

Technology (1992). She taught and inspired both Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people across the nation over many decades.

### The case for naming the electorate Oodgeroo

The Queensland Redistribution Commission's proposal to rename the new electorate, which will mostly replace the current electorate of Cleveland, Oodgeroo is strongly supported by QYAC on behalf of the Quandamooka People.

Due to her achievements, the very name "Oodgeroo" is a representation of why Indigenous Australian's engage in the political process and is an inspiration for us all to vote. If ever there was a compelling and relevant reason to rename an electorate, Oodgeroo Noonuccal is it.

Many of her "children's children" still live on her precious Quandamooka Country, which will be included in this proposed electorate.

It is also only fitting that at least one electorate in Quandamooka Country have a name that has some connection to the Quandamooka People, who, after all, have been associated with the area for around 20,000 years. In terms of the area's identity Quandamooka names are

actually much more representative of its history and cultural heritage than names such as Cleveland and Redlands.

The LNP assertion that "Cleveland is a well-established district name" is not true. In the 20,000-year timeline of human presence in the area, the names Cleveland and Redlands are very recent developments. In fact, they are less than 200 years old.

The LNP claim that "there is a strong sense of community identity which revolves around Cleveland itself and the broader Redlands community" also ignores the community identity experienced by the Quandamooka People, throughout the region, for about 20 millennia.

### Recommendation

The Queensland Redistribution Commission should ignore the LNP's objection to the proposed electorate name, and any other objection also, and proceed with the new name of Oodgeroo.

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To our Father's Father The pain, the sorrow

To our children's children The glad tomorrow

**Oodgeroo Noonuccal** 

Online submission for Jordan

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### Text:

Dear Commissioner, I am writing on behalf of the Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce and our local businesses with regards to the proposed new seat of Jordan in the Legislative Assembly, in the hope that the Commission will reconsider the name of this seat, in order to better reflect the needs of the businesses in our local area, as well as the community at large. We would like to put forward the name:- Springfield as we believe this better represents the area and would easily be identified and recognised with our area when spoken about. We also believe naming the seat Jordan we give local businesses a disadvantage when other local seats are named after their regions for example Ipswich and West Ipswich. We strongly believe that naming the seat after Vi Jordan an early Ipswich councillor appears to be a little misguided as when she represented the local government it was in Brassall which is in the Ipswich West area and Greater Springfield didn't exist back then. The area being known as Springfield or Greater Springfield may not be as old as other regions but I can assure you that it is one of the most vibrant and faster growing areas in our state. Springfield was put on the map back in 1997 following the unanimous passing of the Springfield Rezoning Act, another reason we feel the need to change the name to align with this act as well. With our population growing to 37,000 (estimated to be around the 140,000 by 2030) and hence the need to create this new seat, with business moving into Greater Springfield weekly and billions of dollars of inferstructure from both private and goverment investment. More than a dozen schools, a university and many businesses have taken a presence in Greater Springfield with the local Chamber of Commerce being very active for its members. The Greater Springfield area has grown into a multi-billion dollar contributor into the state's economy a fact that was acknowledded by our Deputy Premier in a resent visit to open the next stage of this master planned community. There has also been some concerns with the name of Jordan with people who do not know the origin of where the name came from (Vi Jordan) thinking it was named after the middle-east country and again not happy given the unrest and ongoing issues with some of their neghbouring countries, wanting to know why this would even be considered Springfield's continued strength as a magnet for local and international investment is heavily reliant on the strength and broad resonance of its long and trusted name and this should extend naturally to the floor of the Legislative Assembly. Your sincerely, Neil Coupland President Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce

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From:Peter PedersenTo:BoundariesSubject:Gaven boundriesDate:Tuesday, 18 April 2017 3:30:59 PMAttachments:GAVEN.DOCX

Please find attached my thoughts on the ALP's objection to ECQ's draft redistribution for Gaven.

Regards

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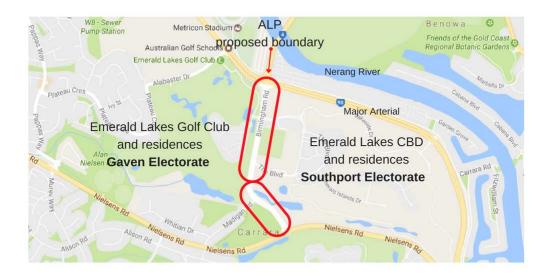
### GAVEN

Please accept this submission in reply to the ALP Submission for the Queensland State Redistribution *(Item 2.5 Gold Coast Electorates – page 12)* 

- 1. The theme parks noted in the ALP submission do not act to divide the suburb of Oxenford. This area simply forms a part of the suburb of Oxenford which includes all residential housing north of Binstead Way/Gaven Arterial. There is no such area recorded in any context as 'Southern Oxenford', nor do any local residents of this area refer to the area as 'Southern Oxenford'. All residents north of Binstead Way/Gaven Arterial do consider themselves to be a part of the suburb of Oxenford and historically identify with being part of the current State Electorate of Albert which in most part will form the proposed Theodore State Electorate.
- 2. Pacific Pines has its own central small business retail precinct and also has a choice of two major shopping centres within the Pacific Pines suburb which caters specifically for the residents of Pacific Pines. This is also the case for residents of Oxenford who also have their own central shopping and small business district which caters specifically for residents in Oxenford.
- 3. Binstead Way/Gaven Arterial is the delineation for the separate response areas for the Coomera Police Station which includes Oxenford and all areas North of Binstead Way/Gaven Arterial; and the Nerang Police Station which includes Pacific Pines and all areas South of Binstead Way/Gaven Arterial.
- 4. Binstead Way/Gaven Arterial not only serves as a State Electoral Boundary but also as the Gold Coast City Council Divisional Boundary between Division 2 on the northern side of Binstead Way/Gaven Arterial and Division 5 on the southern side of Binstead Way/Gaven Arterial.
- 5. The information in this next point details the absolute lack of knowledge and effort that has been afforded by the ALP to their submission regarding Emerald Lakes in the suburb of Carrara *(Item 2.5 Gold Coast Electorates page 13)*.
  - a. The map in the ALP submission details that the Emerald Lakes area of Carrara be split along Birmingham Road separating the vast majority of residences and the Business area of Emerald Lakes from the Emerald Lakes Golf Course. This directly contradicts the wording in the ALP submission which states: "Emerald Lakes is a community with Emerald Lakes Golf Course as its focal point."
  - b. If the ALP submission were to stand, a large proportion of residents of the Emerald lakes area of Carrara would be represented under the State Electorate of Southport. However, the Emerald Lakes Golf Course, which as the ALP have themselves noted, is the *"focal point"* of the Emerald Lakes area of Carrara, would in fact be represented in the State Electorate of Gaven. All residents in the Emerald Lakes area readily identify themselves living in the

suburb of Carrara and have no affinity, residential, business or otherwise with Southport or Benowa.

- c. Considering the ALP's notation of *"shared golf centred areas"* as their reason for a boundary shift; they have again contradicted themselves by using the proposed boundary of Birmingham Road (as per their map), they have still left the two golf courses and split the residents of the Emerald Lakes area into separate Electorates.
- d. The sub-points 6.a., 6.b. and 6.c. (above) are illustrated for your reference below:



- 6. It cannot be highlighted enough that there is no affinity or relationship between residents of Carrara and Benowa with each electorate being separated by a major river and a major arterial road of the Gold Coast.
  - a. Each have their own major Golf Course Emerald Lakes for Carrara and Royal Pines for Benowa. (Again, the ALP have confirmed this in their own submission); each have their own small business precinct and residential areas.
- 7. The Emerald Lakes area is a significant section of the suburb of Carrara, and therefore forms part of the Nerang police station response area. If the ECQ draft Boundaries are accepted without the proposed ALP changes; all residents of the suburb of Carrara will have the same State Representative with a direct correlation between their State Member and local Police Station as it is situated within the State Seat of Gaven. Under the ALP proposal, a resident of the Emerald Lakes area residing on the eastern side of Birmingham Road would need to contact the State Member for Southport regarding any local policing issues they have even though the Nerang

police station would be responsible for the area. The State Member for Southport would need to have no contact with the Nerang Police Station other than for this small pocket of the Carrara suburb as opposed to the State Member for Gaven who will have a direct relationship with the Nerang Police Station as its response area mirrors the Gaven Electorate boundary.

- a. Further to this, the Nerang Police Station and response area (including the Emerald Lakes area) falls within the command of the QPS Northern Patrol Group situated at Coomera Police Station (The entire Gaven Electorate falls within the Northern Patrol Group) whereas the Southport Police Station and response area fall within the Central Patrol Group situated at Southport. This highlights the distinct separation of these areas and the potential issues that constituents of Carrara (Emerald Lakes) would face for escalating any Policing issues if they were to be included in the Southport Electorate.
- 8. In summary, the proposed ECQ draft redistribution correctly unites the suburb of Carrara under one State representative. For the ALP to suggest that somehow again dividing the suburb of Carrara, as per their submission *"is imperative to the creation of logical electoral boundaries that best represent shared community interests"* is contradictory.
  - a. If the ALP submission were to stand, the Emerald Lakes small business precinct and approximately half of the residents of the Emerald lakes area of Carrara would be represented under the State Electorate of Southport. However, the Emerald Lakes Golf Course (which the ALP have themselves noted, is the *"focal point"* of the Emerald Lakes area of Carrara) and the other half of the residents of the Emerald lakes area of Carrara, would be represented in the State Electorate of Gaven. Thereby dividing the suburb of Carrara instead of uniting it.



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Judge Hugh Botting Chairperson Queensland Redistribution Commission Level 6, Forestry House 160 Mary Street Brisbane QLD 4001

**Dear Chairperson** 

I wish to thank the Commission for the opportunity to comment on objections that have been submitted regarding the proposed boundaries.

There has been some comment that this has been the largest change to electoral boundaries since 1992. The ABC (24/2/17) stated "Many boundaries have been redrawn in the biggest recalibration of seats in decades." The Australian 24/2/17 called it "the biggest overhaul of the state's political landscape in three decades".

Given the addition of seats and the extensive changes to boundaries it is reasonable that the Commission conduct public hearings as they are allowed to do under section 55. I would welcome the opportunity to further explain the ways of communication and travel, physical features, and economic, social, regional and other interests in the proposed electoral district of Logan.

The 2008 Commission noted that the term "community of interest" of S46(a) to be an "elusive criteria". However S46(d) existing boundaries and S46(b) ways of travel are far less subjective or elusive. The ALP's proposal objectively better meets the criteria put forward in S46(d) and S46(b). Local objections put forward give a local perspective on the idea of "communities of interest" and I will argue clearly show that communities of interest in the southern parts of Logan are linked to the ways of travel and communication further supporting the ALP's submission.

The 2008 Commission stated when they applied weight to existing boundaries S46(d) that (P.6) "The Commission appreciates, however, that it is natural for electors generally to prefer existing boundaries, and to prefer the representative whom they have come to know". The Commission has proposed moving almost half of the current voters of the division of Logan to other divisions and moved in many more. This could be reduced under the ALP's submission and better accord with S46(d).

The ALP's proposal objectively meets S46(d) and S46(b), while the local objections indicate that it would also better meet S46(a). Further given that the commission has proposed that the division of Logan is to have the second largest population of voters of any division it is vital that local feedback is considered in addressing a proposal that unfortunately runs east-west across north-south corridors of communities of interest and ways of travel. A division should not have the second highest population growth AND poor communities of interest and ways of travel AND change in existing boundaries. The Commision has the opportunity to improve the proposed division of Logan on all criteria.

Thanks for your consideration

Linus Power MP State Member for Logan.

### **Comments on objections**

Objection 821 Mortenson makes commentary on the communities of interest in the section of Flagstone west of Jimboomba proposed to be moved out of the division of Logan into the new proposed division of Jordan. It supports the ALP suggestion that the Mt Lindesay highway forms a key connection, noting the public transport link that links Jimboomba and Browns Plains, as well as the north-south connections via Teviot Rd (Which joins the Mt Lindesay Highway at Regents Park) and the Mt Lindesay Highway. While it may not be possible to have Flagstone (though it should be noted that at present there is no direct regular road connection between Flagstone and Springfield) in the division of Logan the argument that the community on the Mt Lindesay Highway is linked to Browns Plains is supported by this objection.

Objection 118 McLoughlin further supported the argument that north-south connection roads are key ways of travel linking communities of interest. Quoting the submission "All my family that live in Flagstone go regularly via the Mt Lindesay Highway when leaving and returning Flagstone" and when referring to the office "I simply pop in when I am up that way e.g. Browns Plains which I frequent regularly". The submitter is agreeing with the proposition that local connection of community of interest runs north-south to Browns Plains, not east-west to Springfield.

Objection 1389 Mulcair of Pascoe Vale, Victoria, fails to understand what local submissions have emphasised that there is a clear north-south connection of communities via key road corridors in southern Logan city. The objection fundamentally fails to understand the north-south connection between outer urban areas that provide services, sporting clubs, education facilities for the acreage estates that border them.

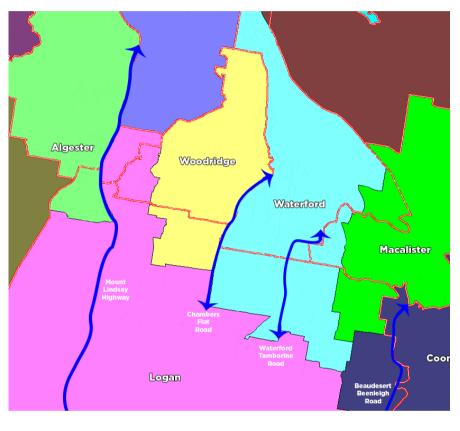
Objection 1431 Wadell emphasises the boundaries of local government areas and attempts to force divisions more neatly into local government boundaries. However the Act 46(2) states that local boundaries should only be considered "to the extent that it is satisfied that there is a community of economic, social, regional or other interests within each local government area". The Commission addresses this in the principles stating that "In rural and remote areas, or parts of the State with widely dispersed enrolment, local council areas should be contained within a single State electorate if practicable". The southern parts of Logan are not rural or remote, nor in the context of Queensland widely dispersed. Instead the Commission could instead more highly weight the road corridors that connect acreage estates to the urban services to the immediate north. In the case of Logan these local government boundaries do not have a long history as they were changed in 2008, instead the Commission would be better off taking note of local submissions that clearly argue that north-south connections between outer urban areas of Logan City, developing suburbs and acreage estates and as stated later the internal local government boundaries in the city of Logan that run north-south.

Objection 1488 argues that the suburb of Bahrs Scrub focuses to the north and should not be part of the proposed division of Logan. They note this north-south focus by arguing that "all our shopping and commuting is through Beenleigh". The objection highlights that acreage estates areas use the ways of travel to create social and economic connection to the urbanised areas to the immediate north. In this case this connection would have long pre-dated the city of Logan connecting these areas to Waterford and Beenleigh to the north.

Objection 1485 Williams similarly argues that there is a north-south connection between Macalister (Beenleigh) and areas south of the Logan River and west of the Pacific Highway. Insofar as this highlights local views that there is a north-south connection between these areas and the urbanised area of Beenleigh, they are worth taking into account.

Objection 1522 Beenleigh Community Development Association argues that "the roads and rivers have been understood as our local boundaries for the past 150 years" and further that there is a historic community between the south side of the Logan river and the north side of the Albert river. This is now the north-south corridor first defined by the rivers then by the rail line and currently by the Waterford-Mt Tamborine Rd. On page three the objection argues that Bahrs Scrub should be part of the proposed Macalister/Beenleigh division.

Objection 1527 Yore makes note that that this Commission as compared to previous Commission seems in Yore's opinion to give less weight to S46(d). "In a number of cases the Commission does not appear to have taken into account s46.1(d), regarding existing electoral boundaries. This is at variance with previous redistributions, including the most recent one undertaken in 2008 where the Commission stated "The Commission appreciates, however, that it is natural for electors generally to prefer existing boundaries, and to prefer the representative whom they have come to know." While the Commission is empowered to provide this requirement with a minimal weighting, it appears to have been entirely left out of the stated principles". Yore notes Rochedale South but equally Yore's argument applies to the unneeded swap of Browns Plains and Regents Park with Boronia Heights that splits suburbs, disagrees with the community of interest argument that the 2008 Commission saw and by definition gives little weight to S46(d). Noting as Yore does that the proposed division of Logan is over population quota and not fitting within the second principle put up by the Commission that the population be within quota on the 29th of August 2016 then the division of Logan could take more account of S46(d) existing boundaries and maintain more current electors in Browns Plains and Regents Park in the division of Logan as per the ALP's submission.



### Local Government Boundaries

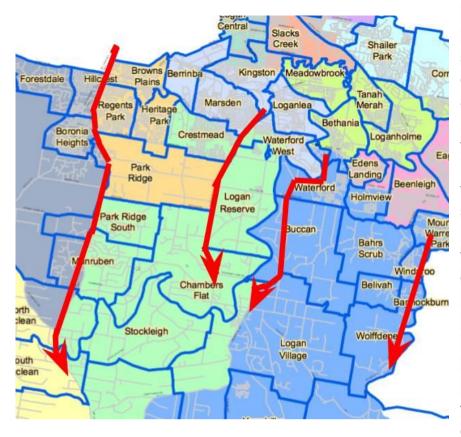
Section 46 (2) states that the Commission give may also consider local government boundaries. It is worth considering the divisional boundaries **within** the City of Logan as they give guidance as to how a different independant redistribution commission considered the communities of interest and ways of travel within the City of Logan.

The map to the left that is from the ALP's submission shows clearly these roads that form the ways of travel within southern

Logan City. These clearly show the ways of travel on the Mt Lindesay Highway, Chambers Flat Rd and Waterford Mt Tamborine Rd that form the primary ways of travel but also the social and economic connections of shared health, education, sports and other connections.

Local Government boundaries also run north-south following the primary means of travel that economically and socially link the city.

Logan city divisions combine urban areas with the acreage estates and developing urban estates to the south that are closely connected to them. This principle is clear in that Division 9 (light green)primarily follows Chambers Flat Rd and Logan Reserve Rd connecting the suburban areas of Waterford West and Crestmead to the immediate north. Division 4 (blue) is primarily a Waterford-Mt Tamborine Rd based division that connects the suburb of Waterford through to Logan Village and beyond. Divisions 7, 8 and 11 all follow the Mt Lindesay Highway corridor with



both Division 7 (grey) and Division 8 (orange) linking suburban areas to acreage estates and developing urban areas to the divisions south. Local knowledge of councillors through the Logan City Council redistribution process supports this as the primary economic and social connections run north-south along the primary transport corridors. None of the divisions in the south of Logan run east-west as the as has been proposed for the division of Logan. The division of Logan as proposed should as much as possible not cut across these four ways of travel and local government boundaries while

also being distorted by high population growth.

### Maintaining Existing Districts boundaries where possible

Section 46 (d) states that the Commission must consider the boundaries of existing electoral districts. The Australian newspaper reported that "up to one million voters (of more than three million) were potentially no longer in their original seats under the radical shake-up." Section 46(d) makes clear that this movement should be limited where possible and the commission should consider any suggestion that makes it possible to keep voters within the original boundaries..

The ALP's submission in Logan restores more voters to their original divisions while also having better communities of interest and ways of travel and I support this proposal. However if the commission wished to give more weight to Section 46(d) then an alternative would be for all of Browns Plains and Regents Park and Heritage Park up to Bayliss Rd to be restored to Logan Division, Boronia Heights be restored to Algester (restoring the clear boundary on the Mt Lindesay Highway that is also used by Logan City Council boundaries between divisions and also making all of Algester to the west of Mt Lindesey-Beaudesert Rd) and the suburb of Underwood be restored to the division of Woodridge. This would restore thousands of voters to the divisions their original divisions and better accord with Section 46(d). This would of course have an effect on the division of Waterford. As has been previously argued, both Waterford-Tamborine Rd and Chambers Flat and Logan Reserve Rd create social and economic connection that run north-south. The suburb of Logan Reserve down as far as Kenny Rd could be united with that part of Logan Reserve already in Waterford division and Logan Village up to Anzac Avenue be part of Waterford Division using the ways of travel for this area directly up Waterford Mt-Tamborine Rd. Though I support the ALP proposal this might be an alternate way to restore voters to their

original division and have far better social and economic connection using the primary north-south ways of communication and travel.

### Conclusion.

The proposed division of Logan would if left as proposed have the second largest population of any division in the state due to strong future growth. This new population will require new services such as schools, roads and health services. It is vital that the commission take into account advice about the primary means of travel in the city of Logan and ensure that the social and economic connections in the area are followed. Local advice and the Logan City council boundaries make clear that crossing across all four north-south corridors will result in a poor community of interest in the division of Logan. I hope that the Commission can take on board this local perspective in making its final determination.

From:	Chris Walker
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Subject:	Comments on the LNP"s objection to the proposed electorate name of Oodgeroo
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In its proposed electoral redistribution, the Queensland Redistribution Commission proposed the name of "Oodgeroo" for the electorate which includes Cleveland, parts of other suburbs as well as North Stradbroke Island.

The proposed electorate name of "Oodgeroo" was objected to by the LNP and a couple of individuals.

The LNP objection states, in relation to the electorate currently known as Cleveland: "The fact that the changes proposed by the Commission are extremely limited lessens any valid reasons to change the name of the district at

this time. The Liberal National Party recommends the retention of the name Cleveland."

But since the Cleveland electorate was first established in 1992 the area's character has changed considerably.

Cleveland is no longer the retail centre of the Redlands.

In 2011 a native title agreement was entered into with the Quandamooka people.

Decisions have been made to end current sand mining operations on North Stradbroke Island, by 2019.

The Quandamooka people have a key role in the transition of North Stradbroke Island to a post mining future.

In its proposal the Commission noted that it decided to move away from the practice of naming electorates after towns or suburbs within them.

The Commission also explained that it decided as general policy to use indigenous names where appropriate.

The Commission's choice of the name "Oodgeroo" for the electorate including Cleveland and North Stradbroke Island is consistent with the general principles outlined in the redistribution proposal.

"Oodgeroo" is an indigenous name of a highly regarded Quandamooka person.

Use of this name would successfully move this electorate away from having a name taken from a suburb of Redland City.

I support the commission's proposal to name as "Oodgeroo" the electorate which includes Cleveland, parts of other suburbs and North Stradbroke Island, based largely on the current electorate of Cleveland.

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# Comments on the Objections to the Proposed Draft Redistribution Boundaries

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### **Changes to Naming of Electorates**

The majority of objections referred to the change of electorate names, and both the methodology and criteria for the changes. It was obvious that this was a contentious change, and I urge the commission to look at the guidelines I proposed in my original objection.

I note that I was not the only one to question the appropriateness of naming a seat after Edward Theodore. Obj-102

I also note that there were bipartisan objections to the changes from both major parties.

I do believe there is an opportunity for greater community participation. Submissions such as Obj-1522 offer a wonderful opportunity to engage in dialogue that ensures decisions taken are supported by the community.

### **Changes to Boundaries for Multiple Objectors**

### Buderim/Kawana

I note the very large number of responses to the proposed changes to the boundaries for Kawana and Buderim. After reviewing these boundaries I believe the objections are valid. The proposal to retain the existing Kawana suburbe within Kawana, and allow Buderim to pick up Sippy Downs and the remainder of Buderim Mountain is a sensible decision.

### Noosa/Gympie

At first sight the changes looked reasonable, but I have become convinced that the division of the Cooloola Coast and the inclusion of an area of the electorate within Noosa which can only be reached directly by beach access is not in keeping with the Act. I than the details raised in Obj-1218 for providing further details. The suggestion to add the area around Lake Weyba and Doonan to Noosa, which keeping Rainbow Beach and Tin Can Bay Bay within Gympie has substantial merit. While this will have an effect on adjoining electorates such as Ninderry and Nicklin, this will require minor changes at most.

### Springwood/Redlands

While I do empathise with many of the objectors the scope of changes required to address the issues in the Mount Cotton and Sheldon areas may be beyond the Commission given the requirements of the Act.

### Dalrymple

Unfortunately the low population density of Western Queensland means that small shifts in population with cover enormous geographic movement. While I do understand the need to represent areas outside of South East Queensland, at present it is being done to best ability according to the Electoral Act.

### Hervey Bay/Maryborough

I note the interest from many local residents in the area. I do not have sufficient knowledge to draw an informed opinion, but I urge the Commission to be advised by the objectors.

### Warrego

I note the enormous interest from electors in Warrego to the prosed changes. I do not have sufficient knowledge of the area to draw an informed opinion, but I urge the Commission to be advised by the objections.

### North of Brisbane Electorates

As outlined in my objection, there are significant issues with the design of the seats and the crossing of the Bruce Highway. I also wish to note the following objections.

Obj-1 Pumicestone. Completely agree that the Highway should form a natural boundary nd that the entirety of Caboolture should fall within the electorate of Morayfield.

Onj-10 Pumicestone. I agree as above

Obj-106 Kallangur, Murrumba. I agree absolutely.

### **Other Objections**

Obj-1220 provides an excellent argument for community of interest considerations in the Beenleigh area. While I still believe the electorate of Macalister is deeply flawed due to it's crossing of the Logan River, I am aware that significant changes at this stage are unlikely to occur.



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18 April 2017

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Dear Mr Boyling,

I refer to my letter to the Commission of 27 March 2017.

I note that the Commission has received 1,546 objections to the proposed state electoral boundaries and approximately 550 of those objections are from existing residents of the (current) Kawana electorate.

I have read the submissions pertaining to Kawana and note that most, if not all, of the submissions have objected in some way to the Commission's proposal to move the suburbs of Minyama, Buddina and Parrearra into the Buderim Electorate.

I am not surprised by the number of submissions received from the Kawana area considering the significant angst in our community over this proposal.

As I indicated to you in my letter of 27 March, I recognise the important task the Commission has of redistributing the existing 89 state seats with the added difficulty of an additional four seats.

I congratulate the work of the Commission in terms of the process thus far, but must again stress the importance of retaining Buddina, Minyama and Parrearra in the Kawana electorate.

Importantly, I note that submissions objecting to the proposal to move Buddina, Minyama and Parrearra out of the Kawana electorate were received from various Kawana community organisations, including:

- 1. Kawana Chamber of Commerce (number 1202);
- 2. Kawana Waters RSL Sub Branch Inc. (number 376);
- 3. Kawana Scout Group (1481); and
- 4. Kawana Waters Surf Lifesaving Club (571).

Collectively, these community organisations represent many thousands of Kawana residents and businesses that have expressed, through their submissions, that if the Proposal to move Buddina, Minyama and Parrearra to Buderim is finalised it would have various negative impacts on our community, including but limited to:

1. an unnatural division between the Coastal urban community of Kawana Waters and Buderim;



- 2. the lack of commonalities between Kawana Waters and Buderim;
- the local Kawana Waters eco system connected through 10km's of beach and the Moolooah River at the Northern end and the Currimundi Lake at the Southern end;
- 4. availability and access to a local member of parliament, particularly for the elderly and disadvantaged; and
- 5. the headquarters and meeting places of many community groups now falling within the Buderim electorate but with members residing in all places of the Kawana electorate.

Further, submission number 1510 is from Mr Kevin Asmus. Mr Asmus and his family are well known to the Kawana community. Since the 1970's, Kevin and his family have been active members of the business and Kawana community having first established a local newsagency in 1972. He was honoured by the former Caloundra City Council with the naming of a park after him, the Kevin Asmus Park. His submission speaks of the 10km stretch of beach known as Kawana Waters and requests that the Commission retain Kawana's identity.

I cannot agree more strongly with Kevin's submission.

I note that the Commission in considering the state redistribution is required to take into consideration Section 46 (1) (a)-(e) of the Electoral Act (Qld). Having read the objections to the Kawana proposal, I would urge the Commission to reconsider its proposal to move Buddina, Minyama and Parrearra into the Buderim Electorate. I believe that the objections strongly show that the proposed boundary could not be in the best interest of the local community organisations and its residents.

Please keep Kawana in Kawana.

Yours sincerely

Jarrod Bleijie MP Member for Kawana Shadow Minister for Employment, Industrial Relations, Skills and Training Shadow Minister for Fair Trading Online submission for **Buderim** 

Name: Gillian Bright Address: 36 Horseshoe Bend, Buderim 4556

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### Text:

Keep Buderim with Buderim. I live in Buderim and yet am proposed to have my street (Horseshoe Bend) excluded from Buderim and replaced with disconnected beachside suburbs like Buddina. Please act on the many objections raised by residents of Buderim and Kawana around the proposed flawed changes. I attach a recent article about the Buderim history of Horseshoe Bend.

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# Real estate brings such joy

MARKETING is just as important now as it was 50 years ago when the government named, what had until then, been known quite simply as the North Coast.

In being renamed as The Sunshine Coast, we were also fortunate to have an outstanding British trained commercial artist in the area. Harold Whittle was commissioned by the local council and tourism group to develop a Sunshine Coast logo and tourism droup to develop a

His son Simon recalls the logo development process mostly dominated with smiling suns

and surf board riders. Simon was the Sunshine Coast Daily's first advertising manager in 1980 and was awarded an OAM for service to the community in 2003. This is his story.... "I have lived on the Sunshine Coast all my life, and have always loved hearing real estate

investment stories. In fact it is the growth of real estate values that enabled me to contribute to the volunteer sector at a much vounger age that most.

enthusiasm for real estate developed, I started to buy property on the Sunshine Coast. In 1976 I bought through Tony Carrington Real Estate, two blocks of land in Aruma PI, Currimundi, for \$5000 each. A few years later in 1980, I secured a block in

A new years latter in 1900, 1 secured a bulk Raintree Blvd, Little Mountain, for \$19,500 through Stan Jensen Real Estate. The following year, a friend and I bought

1115 Juliowing year, a menor and 2000sqm in Main St, Buderim, from Arn Barnes for \$60,000.

Investment advisors say don't be afraid to 'take profits" ... and I did ... but probably sold them all too early.

However, real estate isn't all about profits. For me it has largely been the joy it has given." Harold and Sybel Whittle were part of the influx of new arrivals to Buderim soon after

An aerial view of Horshoe Bend on Buderim's

northern escarpment in the 1960s.

They rented a cottage from the local doctor in an estate where today you will find the upmarket residential development of Altitude. At the time, the rent involved milking the

Norld War Two.

bought 38acres from Fred Hamburger and started to farm bananas, strawberries and passionfruit. While farming was a lot of hard work it wasn't making a worthwhile living.

Created. Our ideally remote cottage with its basic dirt track access to Jones Rd suddenly had the next wave of Buderim residents driving past our track more of Buderim residents driving past our

surveyor Fred Murray and Horseshoe Bend was

Next wave of budentrifestuerins unwing past our kitchen window snapping up all the best positions for 2000 pounds each. The blocks quickly sold and people started to build Houware the book block block bad serveral

build. However, the best block had several owners but remained vacant and my sister and I bought it back in 1984 for \$75,000.

This is the joy part. It bought great joy to my aging parents who were still living in the cottage they had built on that ridge in 1950. And as the years go by, my wife Sandy and I, now living in the cottage, get enormous joy from this still vacant 1295sq m block that I have mown and paid rates on for 43 years. Sandy loves the space, as I do, along with

mown and paid rates on for 43 years. Sandy loves the space, as I do, along with the memories of cubby houses I used to build on that land and the later conversion to a cricket pitch and mini golf course. Plus the knowledge that one of Buderim's pioneers,





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