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Dear Mr Vidgen

I write to you in relation to the Tablelands Regional Council's application for a boundary change.

I have enclosed a copy of correspondence from the council advising that following a workshop to review its electoral boundaries, the council resolved to propose a boundary change with a view to move the township of Herberton from Division 2 into Division 1.

The council is requesting the referral of this change to the Local Government Change Commission to conduct a divisional boundary review and assessment. It is noted that the change may also impact on the other divisions in the council.

The current boundary for Division 2 contains the towns of Herberton, Ravenshoe, Mt Garnet, and Innot Hot Springs. It is proposed by the council that the workload for the councillors would be better distributed if the divisional boundaries could be realigned.

I have decided to refer this matter to you for a review by the Local Government Change Commission and an assessment and recommendation as to whether this application should be approved.

I have asked for [REDACTED], Principal Program Officer, Strategy and Service Delivery, Local Government Division in the Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning to assist you with any further queries. You may wish to contact [REDACTED] or by email at [REDACTED]

Yours sincerely

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From: Hilary Jackson <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 6:18 PM
To: Deputy Premier <deputy.premier@ministerial.qld.gov.au>
Cc: CEO (Shared) <ceo@trc.qld.gov.au>; LGBoundaries@ecq.qld.gov.au
Subject: 59 - LTR - CEO Tablelands RC - LGCC enrolment monitoring

Good afternoon,

Further to the letter of February 3 from Pat Vidgen (PSM) in his capacity as Commissioner of the Local Government Change Commission regarding the process for completing Divisional Enrolment Reviews, I am writing as acting CEO of Tablelands Regional Council on behalf of Gary Rinehart who is on annual leave.

Following receipt of the letter of Feb 3, a workshop was conducted with all elected representatives on 9 February to discuss the current electoral boundaries. By majority, Councillors considered that it would be worthwhile having the boundaries reviewed to include the town of Herberton in Division 2. It was noted that to ensure that all divisions remain within quota, further changes to other divisions adjoining Division 1 or 2 may be required.

As a result of this workshop, at its Ordinary Meeting of February 23, Council resolved:

"That Council advise the Minister for Local Government and the Electoral Commissioner that Council seeks a review of the boundaries of Division 1 and Division 2 so that the town of Herberton is included in Division 1."

Please accept this as written advice of the above request.

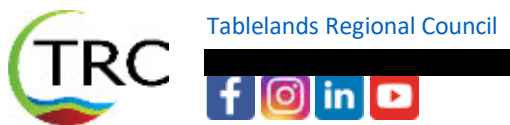
It is understood that it is for the minister to determine if the matter is referred to the Change Commissioner for consideration.

Please contact the undersigned if any further information is required.

Regards,

Hilary Jackson (Acting Chief Executive Officer)

Hilary Jackson
General Manager Community & Corporate Services



We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the Tablelands region and recognise their continuing connection to country.

We pay respect to Elders past, present and future.