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#### FOREWORD

This report outlines the Final Determination for the redivision of electoral divisions within Redland City Council.

The *Local Government Act 2009 (Qld)* (the Act) provides for a Local Government Change Commission (the Change Commission) to conduct the assessment phase of the boundary change process. The Act also provides for the Change Commission to be the appointed independent assessment body for boundary changes within Redland City Council.

The Change Commission is made up of the Electoral Commissioner or a combination of the Electoral Commissioner, the Deputy Electoral Commissioner and a casual Commissioner. The Change Commission for this review is made up of:

- Mr Walter van der Merwe, Electoral Commissioner; and
- Mr Gregory Rowe, casual Commissioner (appointed on 13 November 2015 for three years by the Governor in Council).

On 2 April 2015 a reference was made to the Change Commission by the Minister responsible for Local Government (see Appendix B).

For electoral purposes Redland City Council is divided into 10 electoral divisions. This report outlines the Change Commission's Final Determination for the boundaries of the divisions. It also sets out the reasons for the Change Commission's determination. The Change Commission's proposal was adopted unanimously at a meeting held on Monday 12 October 2015, both Commissioners were present.

Chapter 1 of this report provides an introduction to the Change Commission's requirements for undertaking an assessment of the internal boundaries. Chapter 2 presents a summary of the review process that was undertaken. A more detailed outline of the Final Determination appears in Chapter 3. Maps of the final boundary changes are in Appendix F.

In accordance with the Act the Change Commission may conduct the review in any way that it considers appropriate. To this end, the Change Commission provided data on the current boundaries and enrolment statistics as sourced from the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) as at 23 February 2015. The Change Commission called for both suggestions and objections to the proposed boundary changes. Six suggestions and 95 objections were received.

The Redland City Council wrote on 18 February 2015, declining the opportunity to put forward a submission regarding the realignment of the Council's electoral boundaries (see Appendix B).

The Commissioners acknowledge the valuable assistance and expertise provided by the executive, mapping and support staff of the Electoral Commission Queensland (ECQ) including Dermot Tiernan, Zonka Petrusevska, Kurt Bonair, Moira McNeil, Yan Liu, Lesley Trost and Elise Arklay, and extend their thanks to the Queensland Treasury for the population projection figures.

#### Walter van der Merwe and Gregory Rowe

**Change Commission** 

#### CHAPTER 1 – INTRODUCTION

#### **TERMS OF REFERENCE**

On 2 April 2015 the Change Commission received a reference to review the electoral arrangements of the Redland City Council from the Honourable Jackie Trad MP, Minister responsible for Local Government (see Appendix B).

#### LEGISLATIVE PROVISIONS

The Redland City Council has 99,635 electors (as at 23 February 2015). The Council is divided into 10 electoral divisions. Each division elects one Councillor while the Mayor is elected by all voters in the local government area. Elections are set by date to be held every four years as prescribed by the *Local Government Electoral Act 2011*. The next Redland City Council election is scheduled for 19 March 2016.

The *Local Government Act 2009 (Qld)* (the Act) allows for changes to divisions in local government areas to ensure that each division has a reasonable proportion of electors. Pursuant to Section 22 of the Act, the Change Commission for this review was constituted by the Electoral Commissioner and the casual Commissioner.

Section 15 of the Act requires the Redland City Council to review whether each of the divisions has a reasonable proportion of electors and give the Electoral Commissioner and the Minister a written notice of the results of the review no later than 1 March in the year that is one year before the year of the quadrennial elections. The date referred to in this report is known as the information date. The Council reported that Divisions 5 and 6 did not meet the reasonable proportion of elector's requirements on 18 February 2015.

Under the provisions of the Section 19 of the Act, in reviewing the division of a local government area the Change Commission is required to consider:

- 1) The Change Commission is responsible for assessing whether a proposed local government change is in the public interest;
- 2) In doing so, the Change Commission must consider:
  - a. whether the proposed local government change is consistent with the *Local Government Act*; and
  - b. the views of the Minister about the proposed local government change; and
  - c. any other matters prescribed under a regulation.

The Change Commission is required to release the outcomes of its assessment to the public and the reasoning behind the results, by publishing its findings in a newspaper circulating generally in the local government area, in the Government Gazette and on the Electoral Commission's website. The Change Commission must also give the results of its assessment to the Minister for Local Government for implementation. The method of implementation is by way of regulation by the Governor in Council.

A decision of the Change Commission is not subject to appeal.

#### DETERMINING THE QUOTA

The Act specifies binding quota requirements. A quota is determined by dividing the total number of electors in the local government area by the number of councillors (other than the mayor), plus or minus:

- for a council with more than 10,000 electors 10%; or
- for any other council 20%.

Section 15 of the Act allows for a margin of 10 per cent for Redland City Council to be adopted in relation to determining a reasonable proportion of electors. For ease of understanding the proportion of electors and the margin will be referred to in this document as "quota".

The Change Commission, when formulating its proposals must ensure that each division complies with the quota as near as practicable to the election date. There is no latitude allowed for the Change Commission to determine electoral boundaries that do not comply with these requirements.

#### **Technical Process**

Key to the redivision is elector count information sourced from the electoral roll organised around the smallest unit for the release of Census data known as a Statistical Area (SA1) utilised by the Australian Bureau of Statistics.

The AEC, which maintains the electoral roll for Queensland pursuant to a joint roll agreement, provided statistics from the roll on numbers of electors in each SA1 in the area of the Redland City Council on 23 February 2015. Projections of population movement were then applied to the SA1s using data provided by Queensland Treasury. Future dates for projections were set at 31 March 2016 (just after the next quadrennial election) and 28 February 2019 (the last opportunity before the information date preceding the March 2020 election).

	23 February 2015	31 March 2016	28 February 2019	
Number of divisions	10	10	10	
Enrolment	99,635	101,397	105,818	
Average electors per division	9,964	10,140	10,582	
Permitted Maximum Number (+10%) per division	10,960	11,154	11,640	
Permitted Minimum Number (-10%) per division	8,967	9,126	9,524	

#### Table 1 – Enrolment, Projections and Averages

#### **CHAPTER 2 – THE REVIEW PROCESS**

The Redland City Council is divided into 10 single-member divisions. By letter dated 18 February 2015, the Council advised the Minister that Divisions 5 and 6 would likely both be out of tolerance before the 2016 election.

Based on 23 February 2015 enrolment data, the Change Commission calculated a quota (average enrolment) of 9,964, with a minimum of 8,967 (-10%) and an upper limit of 10,960 (+10%) electors permissible in each district.

On 18 February 2015, the Redland City Council wrote to the Change Commission and the Minister responsible for Local Government, advising that Council declined the invitation to make a suggestion about the future divisional boundaries. Relevant correspondence is attached at Appendix B.

In accordance with Section 19(4) of the Act, a public notice was published on 15 May 2015 inviting suggestions from interested persons. The advertisement (see Appendix C) noted that received submissions would be made available for public inspection. Suggestions closed on 5 June 2015. Six submissions were received from the general public and Councillors.

A second phase of consultation began on the 18 September 2015 following an advertised call for objections to the Change Commission's Proposed Determination (see Appendix E). Objections closed on the 28 September 2015. A total of 95 comments were received from the general public and Councillors.

In reaching its Final Determination the Change Commission took into account public feedback, as well as the projected future changes in electoral numbers provided by the Queensland Treasury.

Wherever possible, the Change Commission endeavours to devise boundaries that not only meet current quota requirements but are sustainable for at least two quadrennial elections and are in the public interest. The nature and extent of population growth or decline may render this impossible in some cases and the Change Commission recognises the possibility that boundaries may need to be reviewed again in readiness for the 2020 quadrennial elections.

#### CHAPTER 3 – FINAL DETERMINATION

#### **CURRENT ENROLMENT**

The Redland City Council has a total of 99,635 enrolled electors spread across 10 divisions, with an average number of 9,964 electors per division. Applying the plus or minus tolerance of 10 per cent allowed by the Act, the minimum number of electors required for each division is 8,967, with a maximum of 10,960.

As can be observed in Table 2, Division 5 is currently out of quota. The Change Commission noted that Division 6 is not expected to be out of quota in 2016 as suggested by Council, but predicted growth will bring it close to the quota tolerance in 2019. Division 7 on the other hand, does appear likely to fall outside the quota before the 2020 quadrennial election.

To address this imbalance, the Change Commission needed to alter the divisional boundaries to stabilise elector numbers across all 10 divisions. As part of its decision making process, the Change Commission has attempted to cater for future demographic trends, while maintaining communities of interest, thereby keeping all divisions within the Redland City Council in quota in the lead up to the 2020 quadrennial election.

Division Name	Enrolment as at 23/02/2015	(%) Deviation from Quota	Projected Enrolment as at 31/03/2016	(%) Deviation from Quota	Projected Enrolment as at 28/02/2019	(%) Deviation from Quota
Division 1	10,259	+2.97	10,473	+3.29	10,907	+3.07
Division 2	10,092	+1.29	10,231	+0.9	10,680	+0.93
Division 3	10,003	+0.4	10,132	-0.08	10,567	-0.14
Division 4	9,676	-2.89	9,869	-2.67	10,613	+0.29
Division 5	11,025	+10.65	11,257	+11.02	11,788	+11.4
Division 6	10,612	+6.51	10,954	+8.03	11,622	+9.83
Division 7	9,172	-7.94	9,260	-8.68	9,387	-11.29
Division 8	9,402	-5.64	9,565	-5.67	9,954	-5.93
Division 9	9,903	-0.61	10,000	-1.38	10,354	-2.15
Division 10	9,491	-4.74	9,656	-4.77	9,946	-6.01

Table 2 – Summary	y of Enrolments for the Current Electoral Divisions
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#### PROPOSED DETERMINATION

The Change Commission received six responses to its call for suggestions regarding divisional boundary changes within the Redland City Council. Three submissions were from Councillors, with the remainder coming from members of the public (see Appendix C).

Councillor Mark Edwards for Division 5 suggested his division be reduced to the smallest division. The Change Commission reduced the size and elector numbers in Division 5, transferring parts of Redland Bay into neighbouring Divisions 4 and 6.

Councillor Wendy Boglary from Division 1 and Councillor Murray Elliott from Division 7 recommended Council's draft Option 2, endorsing the minimal changes in the proposal. The Change Commission found this option was unfeasible and did not offer enough change.

The community organisation Redlands2030 Inc. suggested a 'minimal impact' option, focusing on the southern divisions within Council. The Change Commission included aspects of this proposal, including changes to Divisions 3, 6 and 7.

Mr Steven Hayes recommended parts of Victoria Point be moved out of Division 6 and into Division 4. The Change Commission adopted his suggestion, except for SA1 3101336.

Ms Margaret Hardy expressed interest in seeing the Redland City Council become undivided. This suggestion related to electoral arrangements and was outside the scope of the internal boundary review.

The Change Commission was satisfied that its Proposed Determination addressed the quota requirements, offering divisional boundaries that better balance electors across the Council (see Appendix D).

#### **OBJECTION TO THE PROPOSED DETERMINATION**

The Change Commission received 122 signatures on 95 submissions to its Proposed Determination report (see Appendix E). The majority of comments related to the proposed change between Divisions 1 and 10, with respondents objecting to the change to Wellington Point for the following reasons:

- Divides representation currently Wellington Point is represented by one Federal MP, one State MP and one Redland City Councillor which would be divided under the proposed change;
- Creates an eastern and north western Wellington Point, diluting electors local representation;
- Confusing and awkward boundary that makes no sense to locals;
- Splits the primary social, restaurant and business precincts in half;
- Separates a very distinct community with shared education and other services;
- Local traders could be exploited by opposing Council members; and
- Not reflective of local community boundaries and geographic patterns of human use.

Eight individual submissions came from Councillors, with a ninth signature from Councillor Alan Beard from Division 8, co-signing the submissions from Councillor Wendy Boglary (Division 1) and Councillor Paul Bishop (Division 10).

Councillor Bishop's preference was to retain the divisional boundaries with Birkdale and Thorneside, thereby representing residents within Birkdale rather than moving electors out of Wellington Point in Division 1. Similarly Councillor Boglary also expressed her opposition to the proposed northern change for Wellington Point, but offered her support for the change in the south, moving more of the Wellington Point locality into Division 1.

Councillor Lance Hewlett from Division 4 expressed his support for the proposed changes as less confusing and allowing better representation for the western part of Victoria Point.

Councillor Murray Elliott for Division 7 voiced his concerns about a number of different areas, such as the omitted area bounded by Funicane, Windemere, Croatia and Moreton Bay Roads around the Alexandra Hills Shopping Centre which is recognized as a local district centre and shares the highest conductivity with their proposed Division.

Councillor Paul Gleeson (Division 9), Councillor Mark Edwards (Division 5), Councillor Kim-Maree Hardman (Division 3) and Councillor Julie Talty (Division 6) wrote discussing Divisions 4 and 6 and Divisions 9 and 10. They recommended moving electors who reside westerly from the Bunker Road from the proposed Division 4 back to the new Division 6. The other suggestion was to move the northern boundary of proposed Division 9 to take in an area of community open space with 5 electors from Division 10.

A number of public comments mirrored the remarks submitted by Councillors Gleeson, Edwards, Hardman and Talty, discussing changes for Divisions 4, 6, 9 and 10.

The Redlands2030 Inc. sought to minimise the changes to the northern Divisions 1, 8, 9 and 10, retaining the existing boundaries for Division 1 and thereby reducing the 'ripple effect' on the other divisions. They suggested moving two SA1 areas (3100324 and 3100325) from Division 8 into Division 10, leaving Divisions 1 and 9 boundaries in their current form.

Ms Eveline Fennelly expressed her support for the amalgamation of Division 6 into Division 7, saying it will facilitate growth opportunities.

Mr Peter Dowling, the former Councillor for Division 4 supports the proposed changes to Divisions 4 and 6, saying it alleviates confusion for residents on Cleveland Redland Bay Road and business precincts of the Victoria Point and Lakeside Shopping Centres.

Mr Bill Vaughan and Ms Jeanette Vaughan broadly agreed with the Proposed Determination, with the exception that eight properties are alienated from traditional association with the Thornlands Integrated Enterprise Area.

Professor David Moriarty and Ms Christine Moriarty proposed moving the southern boundary of Division 1 northwards, as the residents in the southern section of Ormiston are more closely aligned with Cleveland (Divisions 2 and 8).

Ms Erica Siegel objected to the proposed change to move Birkdale from Division 10 into Division 8, as the north-side of the hill from Burbank Rd to Collingwood Road overlooks Thorneside and physically belongs to Thorneside.

Ms Elizabeth Fleming suggested the Council would be better off being undivided, however this request was outside the scope of this internal boundary review.

#### CHANGES TO THE PROPOSED DETERMINATION

The Change Commission noted the significant amount of feedback opposing the split of Wellington Point between Divisions 1 and 10 and was persuaded by the community of interest arguments put forward by the respondents. It determined to reverse this change and keep the northern tip of Wellington Point united within Division 1.

To accommodate the aforementioned return of Wellington Point to Division 1 and to reduce the need for boundary change disruptions in the near future, subsequent changes were made to all divisions except Division 5, which remains as described in the Proposed Determination report.

#### **Division 1**

Instead of the Wellington Point split, public feedback suggested the area of Ormiston would be more appropriate to move, as it shares commonality with neighbouring divisions. The Change Commission agreed with this proposal, moving part of the Ormiston locality and 1,464 electors to Division 8. The area being transferred is bounded by Hilliards Creek in a north-easterly direction and then follows the train line southward to include the train station area before heading west along Shore Street West and Finucane Road.

#### **Division 2**

The western boundary of Division 2 will return to the existing boundary that follows the Cleveland locality boundary along the Hilliards Creek and then east to South Street resulting in Division 2 retaining 543 electors in the west (from Division 7) that was detailed in the Proposed Determination. In addition the boundary then veers north at the roundabout to follow Wellington Street, before heading east along Bay Street. As a result of this change, 301 electors will be lost in the south to Division 3 instead of the 817 in the Proposed Determination.

#### **Division 3**

The only change for Division 3 is the aforementioned gain of electors from Division 2.

#### **Division 4**

The proposed boundary for Division 4 received some support; however a number of comments also outlined changes that were better aligned with the public interest. As a result two changes have been made to the boundaries of Division 4. The Change Commission has swapped electors between Divisions 4 and 6, returning part of Victoria Point in the northwest to Division 6, while moving parts of Victoria Point and Redland Bay in the south into Division 4.

The first change involves a new boundary of Division 4 which heads south along Cleveland Redland Bay Road then in a south-westerly direction along Bunker Road. It then follows the lot boundaries in a south easterly direction before connecting with the Cleveland-Redland Bay Road resulting in Division 4 losing 1,125 electors to Division 6.

The second change involves reinstating the existing boundary around the northern part of Redland Bay back into Division 4, a gain of 415 electors from the proposed Division 6.

#### **Division 5**

The boundaries of Division 5 remain as described in the Proposed Determination report.

#### **Division 6**

Aside from the aforementioned swap of electors between Division 4 in the Victoria Point and Redland Bay localities, the other change for Division 6 is in the north with Division 7. The Change Commission has returned the northern boundary back to the existing boundary along Duncan and Boundary Roads. The boundary then continues south along Springacre Road before following the Eprapah Creek as it did in the Proposed Determination report. This will shift 505 electors back to Division 6.

#### **Division 7**

As discussed above, Division 7 loses electors to both Divisions 2 and 6. Division 7 will also swap electors with Division 9 from the Capalaba locality. Division 7 stands to lose 753 electors along its western boundary, with a section of Capalaba being moved into Division 9. The new boundary will leave the Coolnwynpin Creek and head east along SA1 3100417 boundary, then head south following the back of the property boundaries and following SA1 3100416 boundary along Korawal Street before meeting with the existing boundary.

In the north, Division 7 will gain 1,173 electors from Division 9. The new boundary will continue along Finucane Road, follow Moreton Bay Road and then head southwards along the Coolnwynpin Creek.

#### **Division 8**

Two changes were made to Division 8. As discussed above for Division 1, part of the Ormiston locality has been shifted into Division 8. As a result of this significant gain in electors, it was necessary to balance electors and move some out of the division. As Division 10 no longer stands to gain electors from Wellington Point, and after noting public feedback which suggested the Birkdale locality shared commonality of interest with Division 10, the Change Commission determined to shift more of this suburb into Division 10.

The new boundary will head east off Birkdale Road onto Old Cleveland Road East. It will then head north following the back of the property boundaries to meet Burbank Road and continue until meeting Spoonhill Street and then Collingwood Road. This will transfer 1,300 electors from the Birkdale locality into Division 10 from the proposed Division 8.

#### **Division 9**

As discussed above, Division 9 has two boundary changes with Division 7, both losing and gaining electors from the Capalaba locality. In addition to this change, a number of submissions also recommended that a part of the Birkdale locality in Division 10, primarily consisting of green space and the Howeston Golf Course be moved into Division 9. The Change Commission accepted this proposal and will move this area, including five electors into Division 9.

The new northern boundary will follow the SA1 3100326 boundary, tracing the back of the property boundaries and meeting the existing boundary on Old Cleveland Road East.

#### **Division 10**

The only changes for Division 10 are the aforementioned gain and loss of electors from the Birkdale locality in Divisions 8 and 9, and the reinstatement of the existing boundary between Divisions 1 and 10, returning Wellington Point to Division 1.

#### FINAL DETERMINATION

In response to public feedback, the Change Commission has made a number of changes to the boundaries in its Proposed Determination including changes to all Divisions except Division 5.

The Change Commission recommends that its Proposed Determination with the aforementioned changes is to be the new divisional boundaries. Projected growth figures suggest these boundaries are likely to keep all divisions within quota and are expected to prevent the need for future divisional changes prior to the 2020 local government elections.

The Change Commission's final recommendation to the Governor in Council is as follows:

• That for the purposes of the 2016 local government elections, the Redland City Council be redivided into 10 divisions as shown on the maps contained in Appendix F of this report.

The Change Commission notes that implementation of this recommendation will give rise to the following divisional elector numbers:

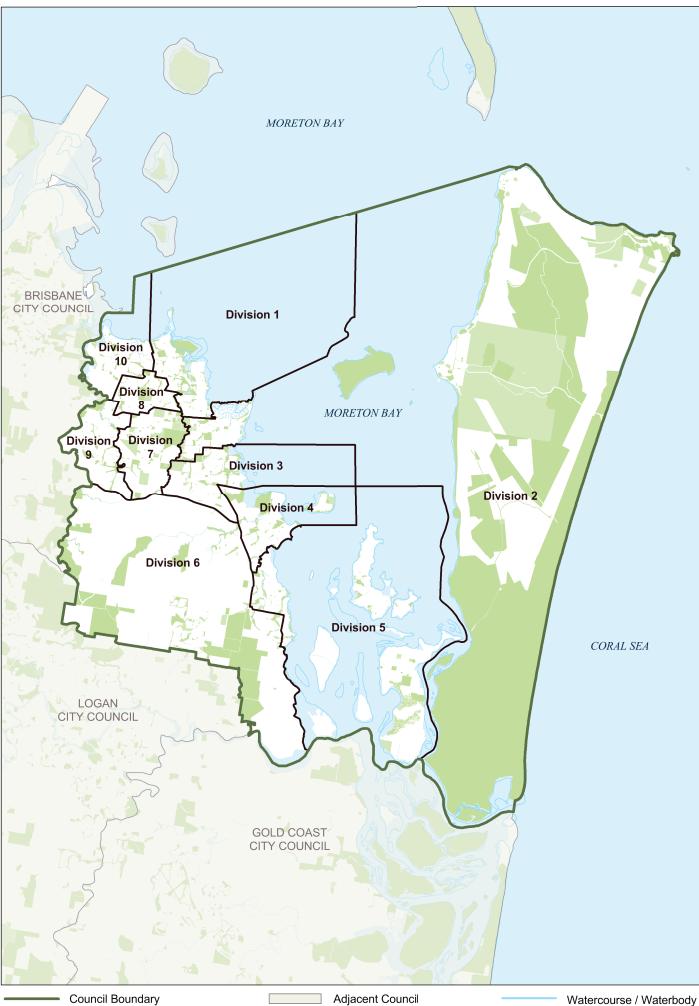
Division Name	Enrolment as at 23/02/2015	(%) Deviation from Quota	Projected Enrolment as at 31/03/2016	(%) Deviation from Quota	Projected Enrolment as at 28/02/2019	(%) Deviation from Quota
Division 1	9,948	-0.16	10,145	+0.05	10,560	-0.2
Division 2	9,791	-1.73	9,929	-2.08	10,376	-1.94
Division 3	10,414	+4.52	10,543	+3.98	10,997	+3.93
Division 4	10,275	+3.13	10,452	+3.08	10,922	+3.22
Division 5	9,815	-1.49	10,041	-0.97	10,547	-0.33
Division 6	10,243	+2.81	10,559	+4.14	11,207	+5.91
Division 7	9,735	-2.29	9,864	-2.72	10,254	-3.1
Division 8	9,914	-0.5	10,097	-0.42	10,497	-0.8
Division 9	9,759	-2.05	9,852	-2.84	10,240	-3.23
Division 10	9,741	-2.23	9,914	-2.22	10,216	-3.46

 Table 3 – Summary of Enrolments for the Final Electoral Divisions

## **APPENDIX** A

**Previous Electoral Divisions** 

## REDLAND CITY COUNCIL EXISTING ELECTORAL DIVISIONS



Park / Reserve

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Existing Division Boundary

## **APPENDIX B**

Minister's Referral Council's Correspondence



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### Hon Jackie Trad MP

Deputy Premier Minister for Transport, Minister for Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning and Minister for Trade

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- 2 APR 2015

Mr Walter van der Merwe Electoral Commissioner Electoral Commission Queensland GPO Box 1393 BRISBANE QLD 4001

Dear Mr van der Merwe

I am writing to you in relation to local government electoral reviews which have been undertaken in preparation for the 2016 local government elections.

I have recently received proposals from 14 local governments seeking a review of their existing electoral arrangements.

The proposals include submissions in relation to the internal divisional boundary distributions where it has been determined that the divisional boundaries are out-of-quota. In addition, four of those local governments have submitted additional proposals for voluntary changes to their existing arrangements.

I note that, under section 19 of *the Local Government Act 2009* (the Act), the Commission must consider whether the local government change is consistent with the Act and must consider my views on any proposed changes.

Having examined each of their proposals, I consider it appropriate to refer each matter to you for independent assessment and determination by the Local Government Change Commission.

For your reference, I have enclosed a summary of each divided local government's quota review, a copy of each proposal referred to you for review and additional supporting information to assist with your review.

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Yours sincerely

JACKIE TRAD MP DEPUTY PREMIER Minister for Transport, Minister for Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning and Minister for Trade

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#### DIVIDED LOCAL GOVERNMENTS – QUOTAS AND PROPOSED VOLUNTARY CHANGES

Local Government	Results of	No. of Divisions	Referral to Local Government Change Commission
	Review	Out of Quota	
Banana Shire Council	Out-of-quota	2	Refer quota review
Bundaberg Regional Council	Out-of-quota	2	Refer:
			quota review
			<ul> <li>proposal to abolish divisions</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>proposal to incorporate</li> </ul>
			unallocated area into local
			government area
Cairns Regional Council	Out-of-quota	1	Refer quota review
Cassowary Coast Regional Council	In quota	0	No referral required
Fraser Coast Regional Council	Out-of-quota	2	Refer quota review
Gold Coast City Council	In quota	0	No referral required
Gympie Regional Council	In quota	0	No referral required
Ipswich City Council	Out-of-quota	5	Refer quota review
Isaac Regional Council	Out-of-quota	2	Refer quota review
Logan City Council	Out-of-quota	1	Refer quota review
Moreton Bay Regional Council	Out-of-quota	2	Refer quota review
North Burnett Regional Council	In quota	0	No referral required
Redland City Council	Out-of-quota	1 (out) and 1	Refer both quota reviews
		(predicted)	
Rockhampton Regional Council	Out-of-quota	2	Refer:
			<ul> <li>quota review</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>proposal to renumber</li> </ul>
			divisions
Scenic Rim Regional Council	Out-of-quota	1 (out) and 1	Refer both quota reviews
		(predicted)	
South Burnett Regional Council	In quota	0	No referral required
Sunshine Coast Regional Council	Out-of-quota	2	Refer quota review
Tablelands Regional Council	Out-of-quota	3	Internal boundary review plus
			additional voluntary change
			proposal to increase councillor
			numbers already referred to
			Change Commission on 16
			December 2014.
Townsville City Council	Out-of-quota	2	Refer quota review
Whitsunday Regional Council	Out-of-quota	1	Refer quota review

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18 February, 2015

Jackie Trad MP Deputy Premier Minister for Transport, Trade, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning PO Box 15009 CITY EAST QLD 4002

Dear Deputy Premier,

#### **RE: Redland City Council Divisional Boundary Review**

At its meeting of 11 February 2015, Council considered a review of its internal divisions, as required under Section 16 of the *Local Government Act 2009* (the Act), along with other relevant matters relating to internal boundaries, optimum number of internal divisions, etc. A copy of Council's resolution is attached.

The results of the review are outlined in this letter and have also been provided to the Electoral Commissioner. It is apparent to Council that boundary changes to internal divisions will be required and 1 respectfully request that you refer this matter to the Change Commission for consideration.

As required by the Act, Council has projected the total number of electors likely to be residing in each division at the time the change would take effect (i.e. the quadrennial local government elections set down for 19 March 2016). These projections reveal that divisions 5 and 6 are likely to have exceeded the reasonable proportion of electors by the time of the next election. The table below sets out how Council has calculated the projections based on data provided by the Electoral Commission of QLD as at 10 December 2014. The data demonstrates a growth pattern for each Council division since the last election in April 2012 which, if continued, will lead to divisions 5 and 6 not having a reasonable proportion of electors by 19 March 2016.

Division	Total Electors 2012 Election	Total Electors 10-12-14	Growth Since 2012 Election	Projected Electors 19-3-16	Projected Variance at 19-3-16
1	9564	10110	5.71%	10376	2.86
2	9692	9994	3.12%	10140	0.52
3	9219	9895	7.33%	10224	1.36
4	9056	9554	5.50%	9796	-2.89
5	9790	10846	10.79%	11360	12.62
6	8994	10416	15.81%	11108	10.12
7	9007	9101	1.04%	9147	-9.32
8	9169	9316	1.60%	9388	-6.93
9	9667	9791	1.28%	9851	-2.34
10	9244	9405	1.74%	9483	-5.99
Total	93402	98428		100873	

Council has no reason to believe that these growth patterns will not continue as growth in the southern part of Redland City (i.e. the division 5 and 6 areas) has outstripped growth in the northern part of the City for several years now and data provided by QLD Treasury and Trade project that this trend will continue for the foreseeable future.

Council therefore recommends that this matter be referred to the Change Commission for review so it can be ensured that Council's divisions each have a reasonable proportion of electors by the date of the next local government elections on 19 March 2016.

There has been significant community and media interest in this review including some expectation of community consultation prior to any decisions being made.

Should you have any questions regarding the outcomes of this review please contact Mr Luke Wallace, Group Manager Corporate Governance, on 38298577.

Yours sincerely

William Harold Lyon Chief Executive Officer Redland City Council

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#### Extract from Redland City Council Meeting Minutes – 11<sup>th</sup> February 2015 Item 11.2.2 – Review of Redland City Divisional Boundaries

Moved by: Cr A Beard Seconded by: Cr W Boglary

That Council resolves to:

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1. Retain a divisional structure for the local government elections in March 2016;

2. Retain ten divisions;

3. Note the correspondence from the Department of Local Government, Community Recovery & Resilience dated 6 February 2015 which reminds Council that not all of its current divisions will remain within the quota of a 'reasonable proportion of electors' as required under section 15 Local Government Act 2009;

4. Note that Council has undertaken its own review of whether each of its divisions has a reasonable proportion of electors which concurs with the Department's correspondence;

5. Make a submission to the Minister for Local Government and the Electoral Commissioner formally giving written notice of the results of Council's review;

6. Decline the invitation to make suggestions to the Minister for Local Government and the Electoral Commissioner about how any future divisional boundaries for the 2016 local government elections may be established; and

7. Note that the Electoral Commissioner may call for public submissions or hold public hearings to ask affected residents for their views prior to any final decisions being made.

CARRIED 10/1 Cr Bishop voted against the motion.

# **APPENDIX C**

Invitation for Written Submissions Written Submissions

### QUEENSLAND CHANGE COMMISSION CAIRNS REGIONAL, LOGAN CITY, ISAAC REGIONAL, REDLAND CITY & WHITSUNDAY REGIONAL COUNCILS

#### **INVITATION FOR SUBMISSIONS**

#### The local government areas of Cairns Regional, Logan City, Isaac Regional, Redland City and

**Whitsunday Regional Councils** have advised that their electoral divisions no longer meet the quota requirements set down in the Local Government Act. The Minister responsible for Local Government has in turn referred the matter to the Change Commission for independent assessment.

The Commission invites written suggestions from interested persons and bodies relating to these council's electoral division to be lodged on or before **5.00 pm Friday 5 June 2015**.

Section 15 of the Act requires the Commission to ensure that the number of enrolled electors in all divisions does not differ from the average by  $\pm 10\%$ . The Commission has determined the average enrolment, along with the minimum and maximum number of electors based on the specified level of tolerance of 10% in the table below for each council currently reviewing.

Council	Electors	Average	Minimum	Maximum
Cairns Regional	94,887	10,543	9,489	11,597
Logan City	173,385	14,449	13,004	15,894
Isaac Regional	11,384	1,423	1,281	1,565
Redland City	99,635	9,964	8,967	10,960
Whitsunday Regional	20,377	3,396	3,057	3,736

(These figures are as at 23 February 2015 and may need to be readjusted slightly depending upon population growth between now and the Local Government elections scheduled for March 2016.)

Further information about the review process and advice on formulating suggestions may be found on the Electoral Commission of Queensland website under Local Government Reviews.

Suggestions should be marked with the name of the Council e.g. LOGAN CITY and be lodged as follows:

- by posting to Change Commissioner Local Gover
- Change Commissioner, Local Government Change Commission, GPO Box 1393, BRISBANE, QLD 4001 by personal delivery, between the hours of 9.00 am and 5.00 pm to:
- Electoral Commission of Queensland, Level 6, Forestry House, 160 Mary Street, Brisbane
- by email to
- cairnsregionalcouncilreview@ecq.qld.gov.au or
- logancitycouncilreview@ecq.qld.gov.au or
- isaacregionalcouncilreview@ecq.qld.gov.au or redlandcitycouncilreview@ecq.qld.gov.au or
- whitsundayregionalcouncilreview@ecq.qld.gov.au
- online form

It would assist the Commission if anyone intending to submit maps with written suggestions could do so by using maps of the present divisions which are available on the Commission's website, or by contacting the Commission on 1300 881 665 for assistance.

If you wish to lodge a submission, please note that all submissions will be published in their entirety (including name and address details) on the Commission's website.

Walter van der Merwe Change Commissioner Electoral Commission of Queensland Blaze066835

066835 M6x3\_188hx129w Brisbane Courier Mail

From: Sent: To: Subject:	no-reply@ecq.qld.gov.au Thursday, 7 May 2015 11:16 AM Redland City Council Review Feedback Form Received from Cr. Mark Edwards
Name:	Cr. Mark Edwards
Email Address:	mark.edwards@redland.qld.gov.au
Council:	Redland City
Additional Information:	As the local Councillor for Division 5, I advise that this Division has the heaviest workload in the City. Approx.80% of city wide enquiry emanates from the Southern Moreton Bay Islands, who's residents face disadvantage and lack infrastructure. Division 5 needs to be the smallest size.

From:	Cr Wendy Boglary <wendy.boglary@redland.qld.gov.au></wendy.boglary@redland.qld.gov.au>
Sent:	Monday, 25 May 2015 2:48 PM
To: Cc:	Redland City Council Review Cr Wendy Boglary Redland City Council Review
Subject:	Redland City Council Review
Attachments:	20150211 Item 11 2 2 Attachment Boundary Review - Option 2.pdf

Dear staff, Redland City Council divisional Boundary Review

Council officers prepared a number of options for our boundary review but because we could not get a consensus from Councillors none of these options were put forward. I believe this option attached is very reasonable and will bring Council in line with the legislative requirement for all divisions to be within 10% of quota. I recommend this option be adopted by the ECQ as it has minimal change and is fair and equitable to all Councillors ensuring representation across our City.

Warm Regards,

#### Cr. Wendy Boglary

Division 1 Councillor Redland City Council Ph: 3829 8619 wendy.boglary@redland.qld.gov.au

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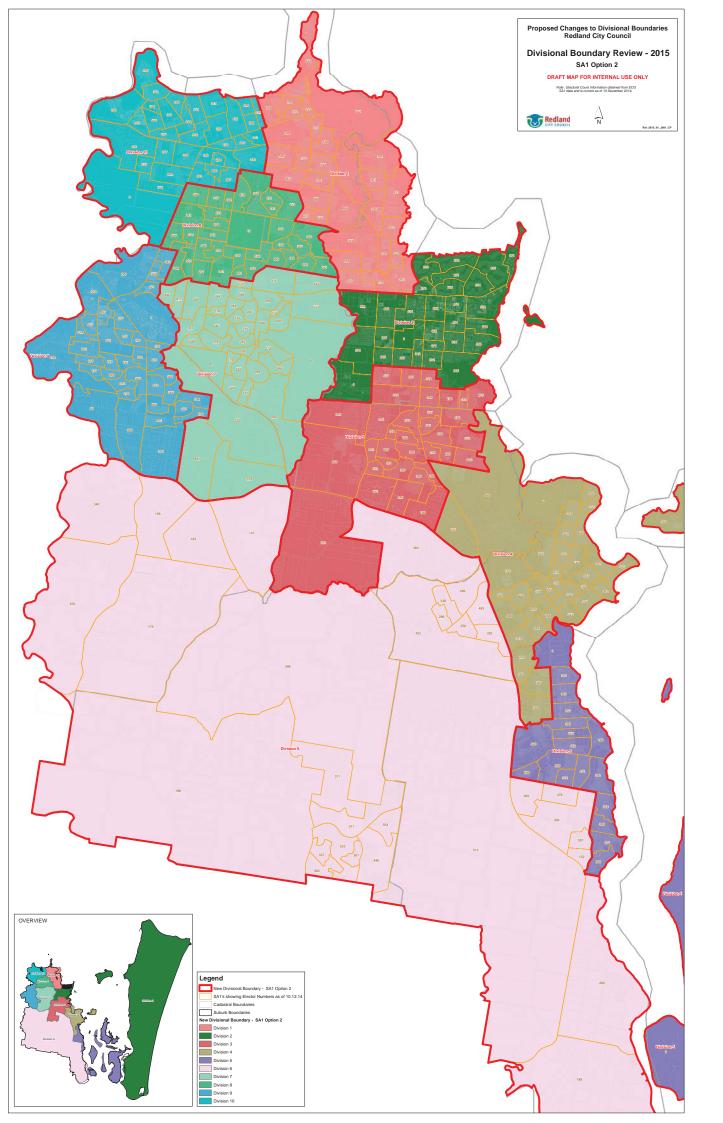
#### Keeping Redlands Redlands

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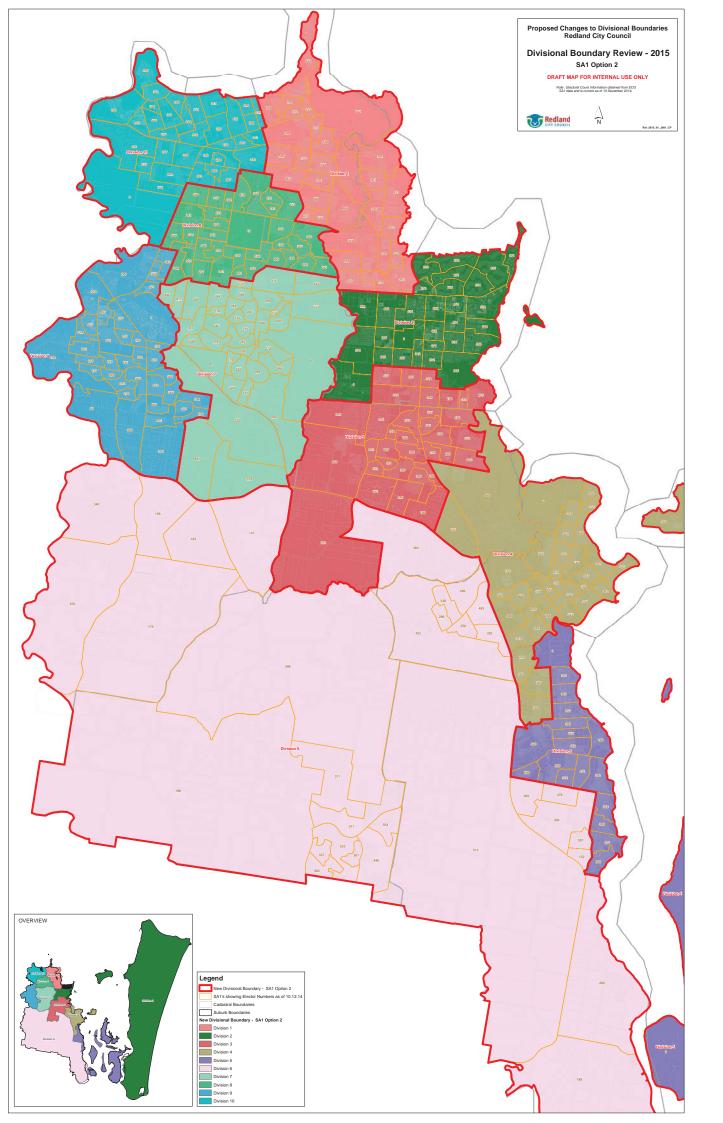
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Sent:	Tuesday, 2 June 2015 10:28 AM
То:	Redland City Council Review
Subject:	Redland City Council Divisional Boundaries Review
Attachments:	20150211 Item 11 2 2 Attachment Boundary Review - Option 2.pdf

#### Please accept my recommendation for the review of divisional boundaries in Redland City.

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Sent:	Thursday, 4 June 2015 11:31 AM
То:	Redland City Council Review
Cc:	Redlands2030
Subject:	ECQ Submission - REDLAND CITY
Attachments:	Redlands2030ElectoralBdySubmission.pdf

Dear ECQ Submission Officer

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Please find attached ECQ Redland City Submission from Redlands2030 Inc.

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thankyou Tom Taranto <u>Redlands2030</u>



### Redlands2030 Inc. Submission Redland City Council Internal Electoral Boundaries Review

The Redland City Council has an enrolment of 99,635 (23 February 2015). The Council is divided into 10 electoral divisions.

Submissions- close at 5.00 pm Friday 5 June 2015

Members and affiliates of Redlands2030 Inc. were asked for their views and suggestions and provided with the ECQ advice on making a submission follows:

- O Queensland's electoral system is founded on the principle of "one Vote, one value". For all divided Local Government areas each division should have, as far as is practicable, an equal number of electors (a "quota"). The quota is determined by dividing the total number of electors in a given council area by the number of divisions (i.e number of councillors, excluding the Mayor). For Councils with more than 10,000 electors no division can have 10% more or less voters than any other division. For Councils with less than 10,000 electors no division can have 20% more or less voters than any other division.
- O New boundaries need to have the divisions in "quota" on the actual elector figures provided.
- O Future predicted figures are used as a guide to growth of divisions for the next election (2016) to ensure they are in "quota" at the election and past the next information date of February 2019.
- O It is desirable that division boundaries follow identifiable geographic features such as roads, creeks, train lines, locality and cadastral (lots) or SA1.

The suggestions of members and affiliates of Redlands2030 Inc. are as follows:

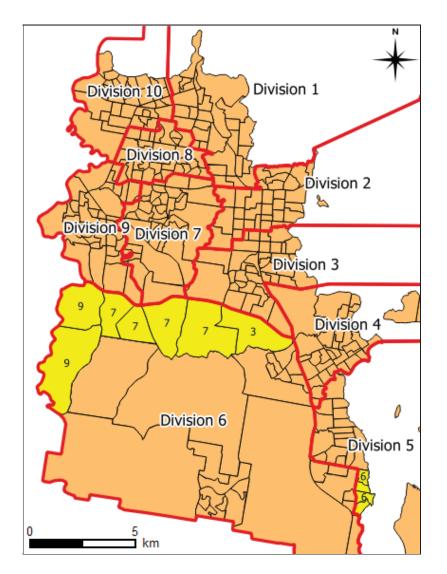


### **Redlands2030 Inc. Submission**

In line with the ECQ advice Redlands2030 Inc. submits that (1) the existing 10 Divisions be retained; and (2) that changes to the existing 10 Divisions should minimise impacts on existing and developing "community of interest" (which identify with existing divisions and Councillors).

The minimal impact options have been explored and combined with the local knowledge of members and affiliates (of Redlands2030 Inc.). The overview map (below) and subsequent tables and maps shows our suggested changes. This approach will secure Redland City Divisional quotas well into the future with minimal boundary changes.

The GIS analysis uses the easily accessible ECQ data (which was much appreciated) and not only suggests appropriate redistributions but also optimises electors per division based on existing and predicted population growth.



**FIGURE 1.** Current RCC Divisions (red) and Electoral (SA) Areas. Suggested changes to RCC Divisions are by reallocating Electoral Statistical Areas marked <u>Yellow</u> to denoted Divisions. Below Figures 2, 3 display the yellow areas attributed with enrolment counts in more detail.



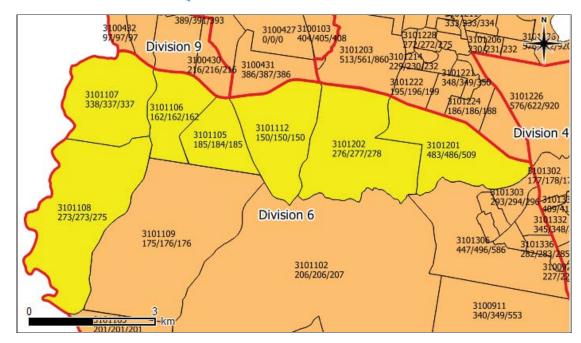
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CURRENT_201	50223_2019					
Ward / Division	Projected Enrol	Quota	PROPO	SED NEW	CHANGES	
	2015	2019		ADD	MINUS	PROPOSED
Division 1	10259	10907	In	0	0	10907
Division 10	9491	9946	In	0	0	9946
Division 2	10092	10680	In		0	10680
Division 3	10003	10567	In	509	0	11076
Division 4	9676	10613	In	0	0	10613
Division 5	11025	11788	Out	0	1075	10713
Division 6	10612	11622	In	1075	1896	10801
Division 7	9172	9387	Out	775	0	10162
Division 8	9402	9954	In	0	0	9954
Division 9	9903	10354	In	612	0	10966
Actual Total	99635	105818		2971	2971	
Actual Average	9964	10582				
Actual Lower Li	8967	9524				
Actual Upper Li	10960	11640				

**TABLE 1.** Outcome of suggested Electoral Statistical Area changes. Suggested change results with New Division totals marked in Green. See attached Excel Spreadsheet.

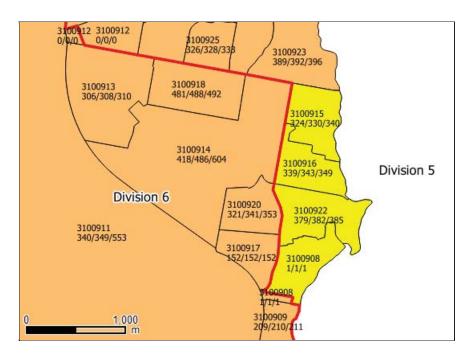
SA1	NEW Div ID	CURRENT Div ID	Actual Enrolment	Proposed 2016	Proposed 2019	D2016 -now	D2019 -now
3100908	6	5	1	1	1	0	0
3100915	6	5	324	330	340	6	16
3100916	6	5	339	343	349	4	10
3100922	6	5	379	382	385	3	6
3101105	7	6	185	184	185	-1	0
3101106	7	6	162	162	162	0	0
3101107	9	6	338	337	337	-1	-1
3101108	9	6	273	273	275	0	2
3101112	7	6	150	150	150	0	0
3101201	3	6	483	486	509	3	26
3101202	7	6	276	277	278	1	2

**TABLE 2.** Current and suggested Enrolment Counts for each of the marked Electoral Statistical Areas (SA1). **New Div ID** is the suggested reallocated DivisionID.





**FIGURE 2.** - Electoral Statistical Areas attributed - SA1 Id. 2015/2016/2019 Enrolment Counts. See FIGURE 1 to identify reallocated Divisions for each SA (yellow).



**FIGURE 3.** - Electoral Statistical Areas attributed - SA1 Id. 2015/2016/2019 Enrolment Counts. Each (yellow) to be reallocated from Division 5 to Division 6.

Redlands2030 Inc. looks forward to advice as to how ECQ has considered this submission.

Steve MacDonald President, Redlands2030 Inc.

104 Channel Street CLEVELAND 4163 4 June 2015

From: Sent: To: Subject:		no-reply@ecq.qld.gov.au Monday, 18 May 2015 1:25 PM Redland City Council Review Feedback Form Received from Steven Hayes
Name:	Steven Hayes	

Council:	Redland City
A 1 1º.º 1	West Vic Point LAs (3101303, 3101304, 3101305, 3101306, 3101318, 3101322 &
Additional	3101336) are not well represented by Div 6 (Mt. Cotton & Rural focused). A more
Information:	appropriate distribution is to join some or all of them to Div 4 (Vic. Point). Div 6 is near upper limit (10,612), Div 4 is below avg (9,676)

From:	no-reply@ecq.qld.gov.au
Sent:	Thursday, 21 May 2015 3:41 PM
To:	Redland City Council Review
Subject:	Feedback Form Received from Margaret Hardy
Name:	Margaret Hardy
Council:	Redland City
Additional	Reconfigure to have 9 or 10 councillors representing the whole area rather than
Information:	Divisions plus 1 mayor.

### APPENDIX D

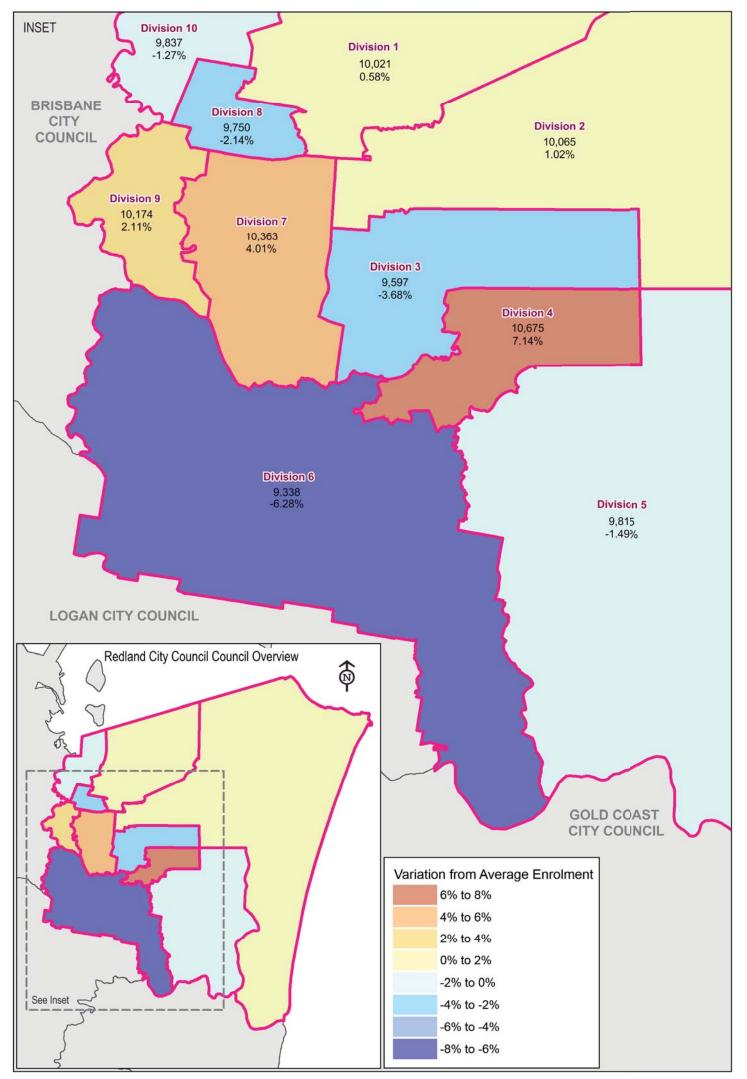
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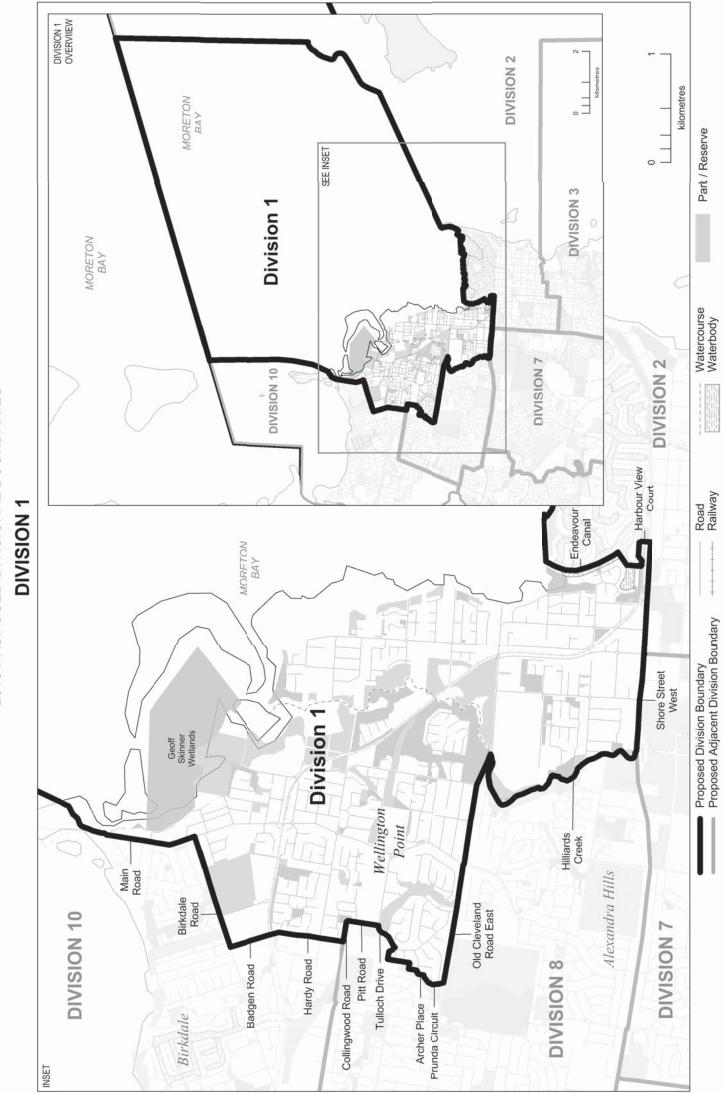
Summary Report of Proposed Division's Enrolment Figures

# **REDLAND CITY REGIONAL COUNCIL**

	Quota Status	E	Ē	Ē	ц	Ē	ц	ц	ц	ц	ц				
Projected - 2019	Quota Variation (%)	0.78	0.66	-3.86	7.52	-0.33	-3.22	3.08	<del>د</del> -	0.56	-2.19				
	Enrolment (28 February 2019)	10,664	10,651	10,173	11,377	10,547	10,241	10,908	10,264	10,641	10,350	105,818	10,582	9,524	11,640
	Quota Status	드	Ч	Ц	Ч	Ч	Ч	Ч	Ч	Ч	ц	Projected Total	Projected Average	Projected Lower Limit	Projected Upper Limit
Projected - 2016	Quota Variation (%)	0.87	0.64	-4.11	7.21	-0.97	-5	3.45	-2.24	1.31	-1.16				
	Enrolment (31 March 2016)	10,228	10,205	9,723	10,871	10,041	9,633	10,489	9,912	10,272	10,022	101,397	10,140	9,126	11,154
	Quota Status	Ē	Ч	Ц	Ц	Ч	Ц	Ц	Ц	Ц	E	Projected Total	Projected Average	Projected Lower Limit	Projected Upper Limit
Actual	Quota Variation (%)	0.58	1.02	-3.68	7.14	-1.49	-6.28	4.01	-2.14	2.11	-1.27				
	Enrolment (23 February 2015)	10,021	10,065	9,597	10,675	9,815	9,338	10,363	9,750	10,174	9,837	99,635	9,964	8,967	10,960
Proposed	Division	Division 1	Division 2	Division 3	Division 4	Division 5	Division 6	Division 7	Division 8	Division 9	Division 10	Actual Total	Actual Average	Actual Lower Limit	Actual Upper Limit

### **REDLAND CITY COUNCIL PROPOSED DIVISION BOUNDARIES**

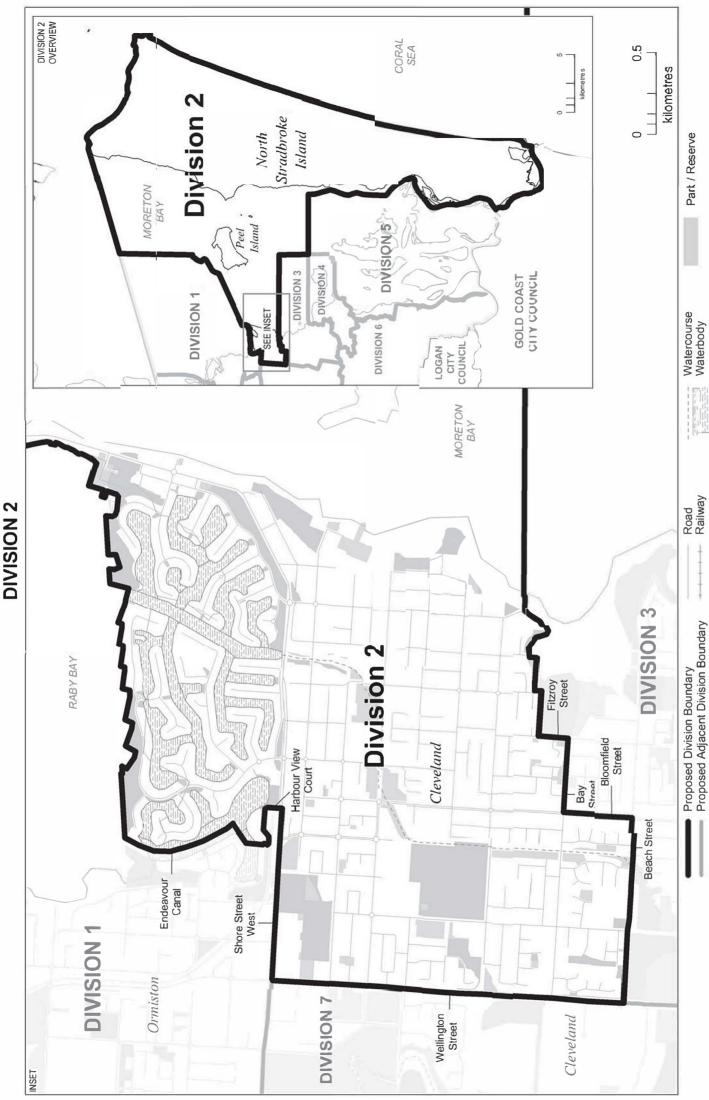




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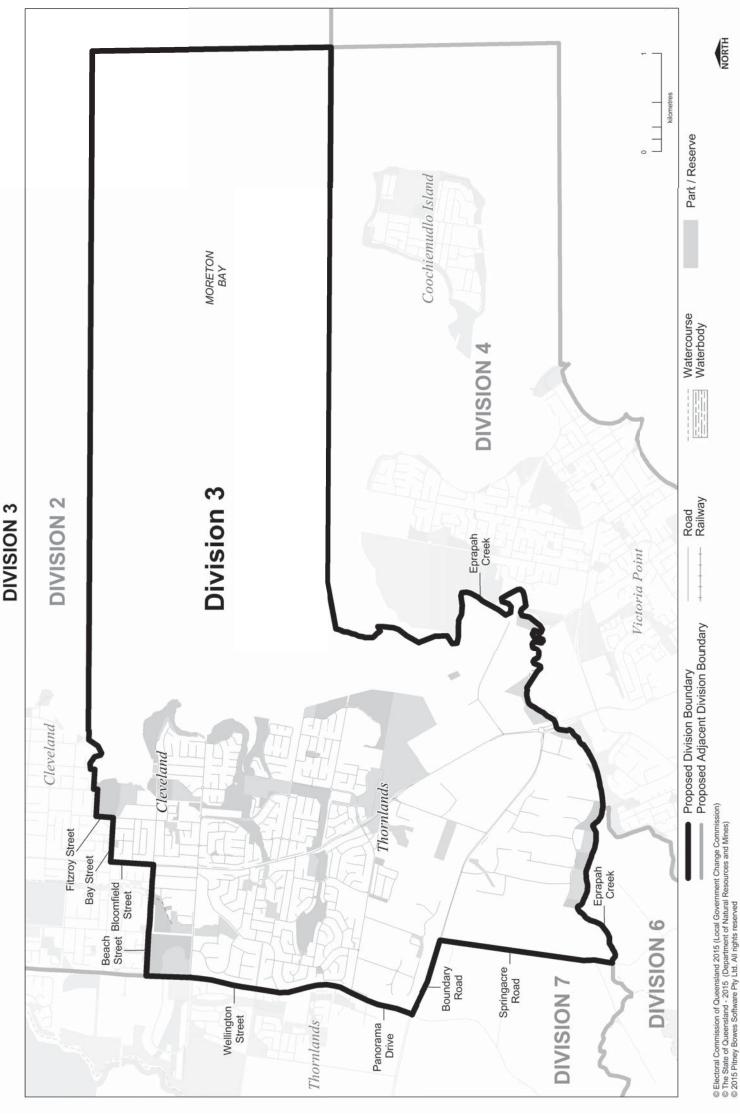
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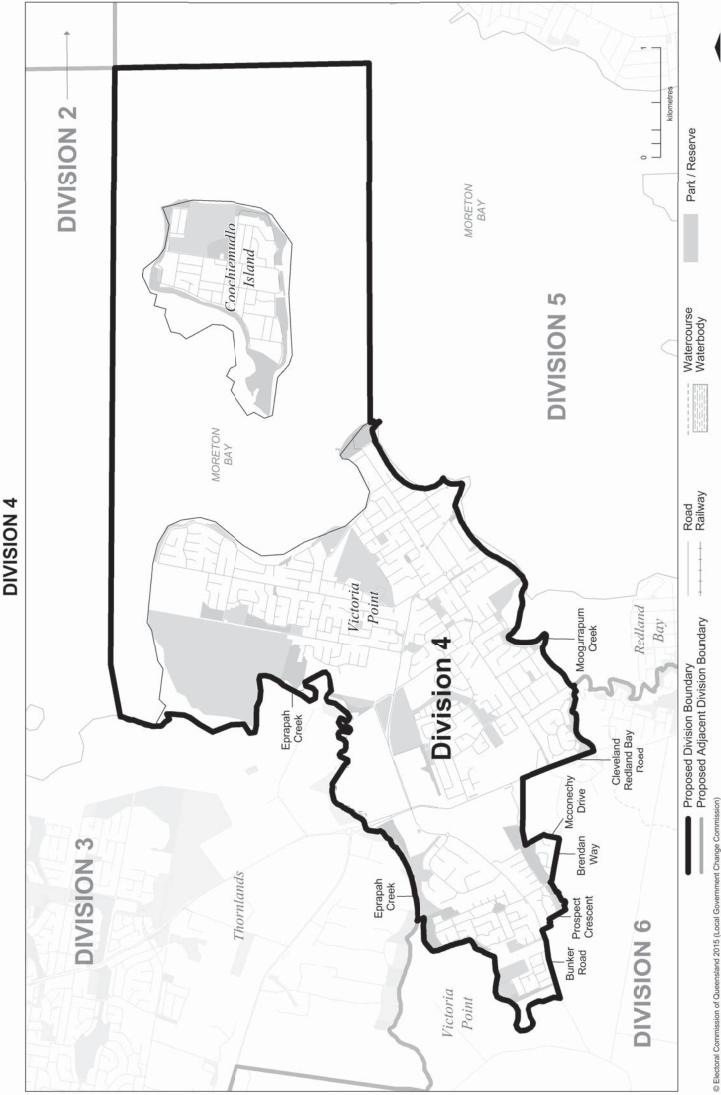




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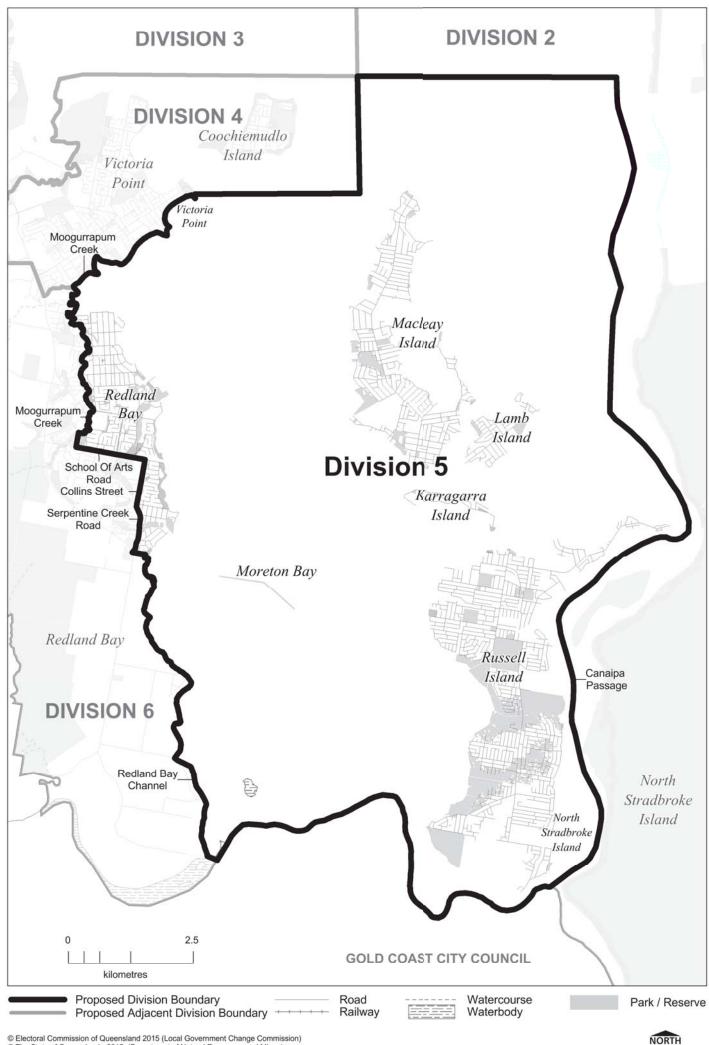




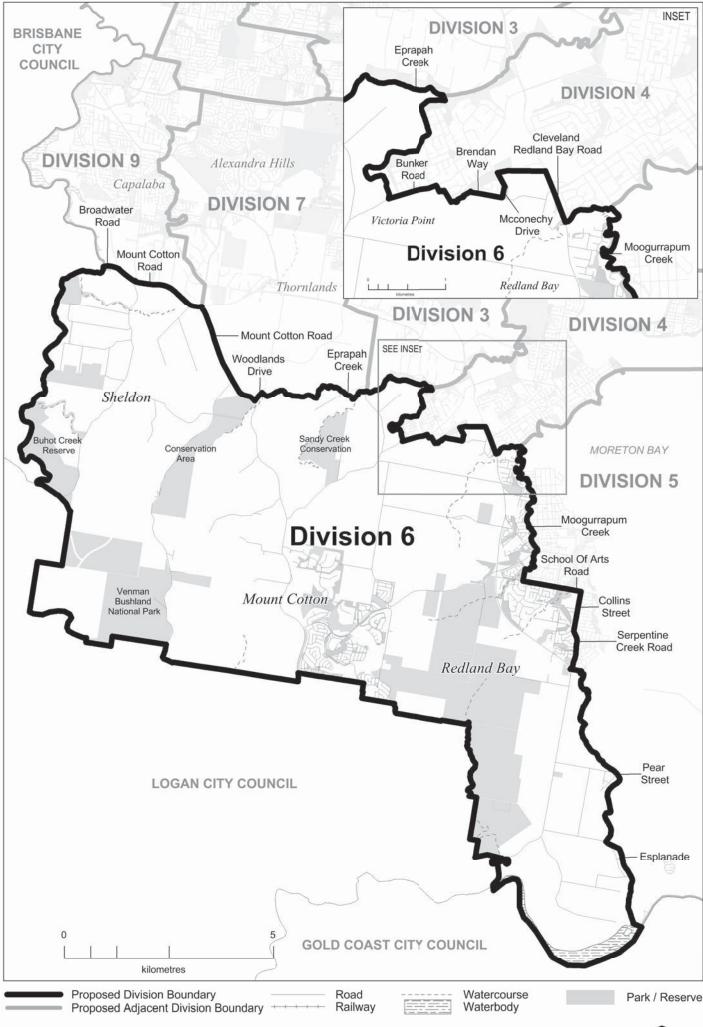
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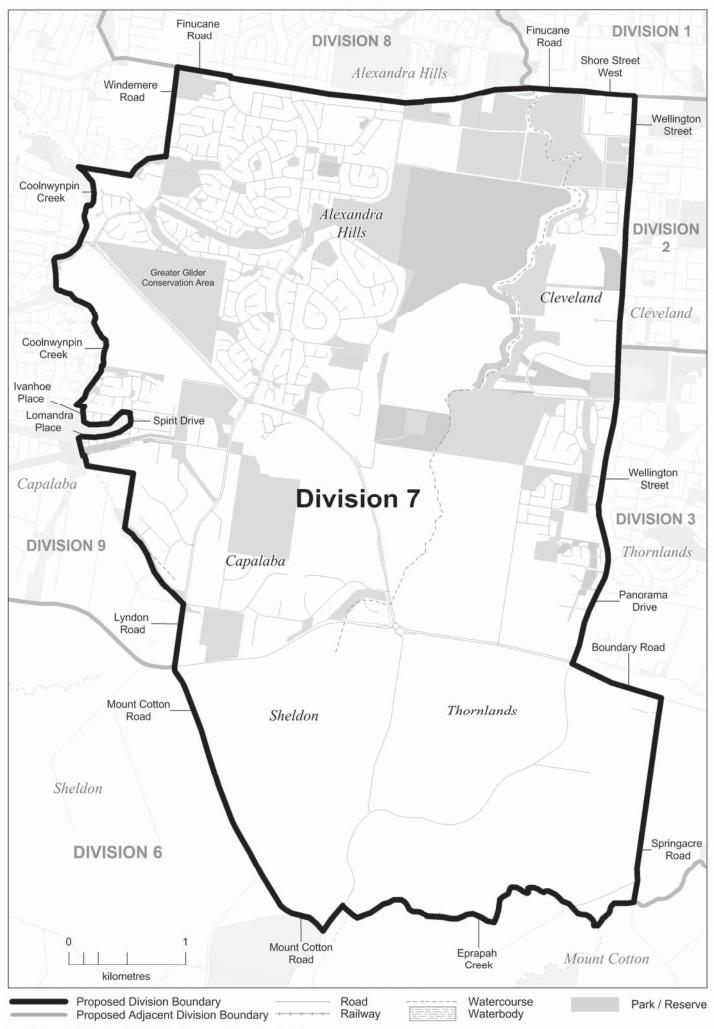
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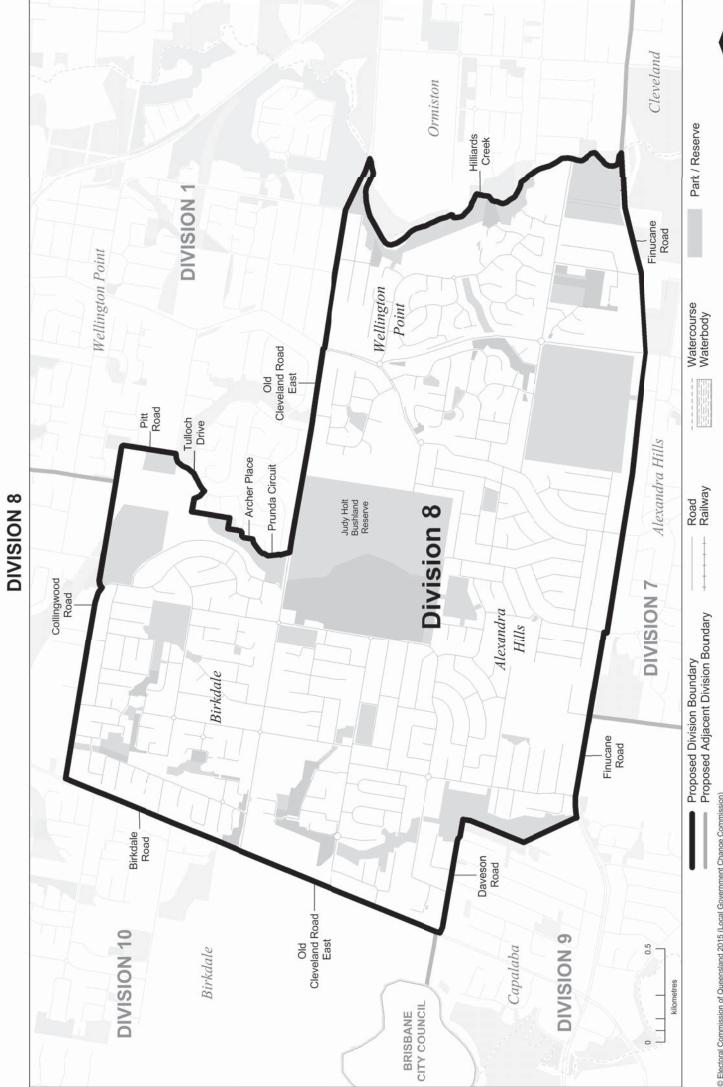


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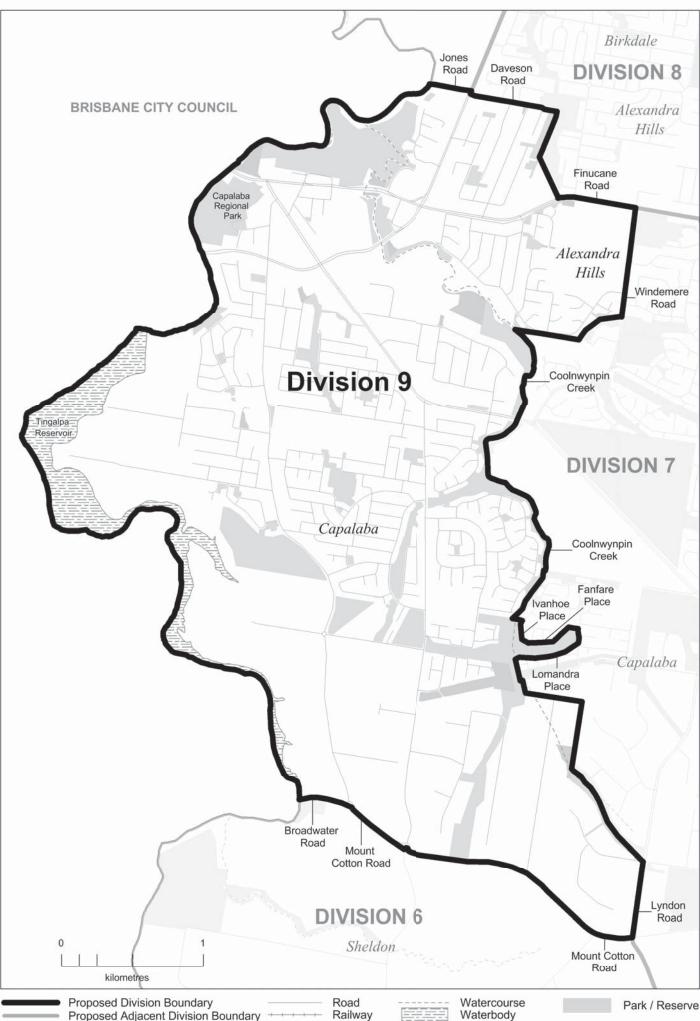




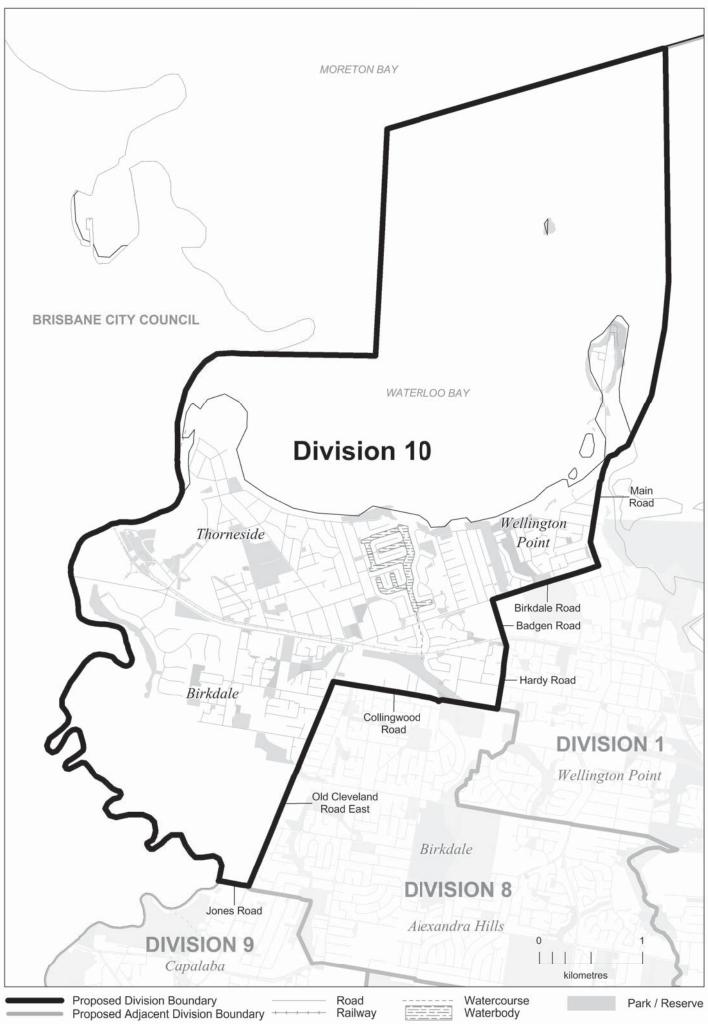
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**DIVISION 10** 



## **APPENDIX E**

Invitation for Objections to the Proposal Comments to the Proposed Determination

### LOCAL GOVERNMENT CHANGE COMMISSION **REDLAND CITY COUNCIL**

### **INVITATION FOR OBJECTIONS** TO THE PROPOSAL

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- Which can be found on the ECQ website (www.ecq.qld.gov.au) under ELECTORAL DISTRICTS then
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- Redland City and scroll to the bottom of the Proposed Determination Section.

It would assist the Commission if anyone intending to submit objections accompanies them with the electronic mapping data if this has been prepared, preferably in MapInfo and/or KML format in projection GDA94 -Longitude/Latitude (Australia GDA94).

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Change Commissioner

**Electoral Commission Queensland** 

076663 T42 186hx129w Redcliffe Herald

Please find below a submission on proposed changes to the area that I represent as Councillor for Division 6 Redland City.

Thanks

Cr Julie Talty

### proposed boundary realignment for electoral area Division 6 Redland City submission

I would like to propose the following changes to the proposed boundary of Division 6 Redland City.

The proposal to remove the commercial and residential area around Bunker Road from Division 6 strips the division of the only commercial, retail and employment hub within the area and an area which is central to the community of Division 6, this area provides a social and economic centre to the Division and I propose that a variation to the proposed boundary changes be made to ensure that this area is not removed, or at least is not entirely removed from the proposed Division 6.

In support of this submission I propose the following changes:

- 1. Relocate from proposed Division 6 to Division 4 the following SA1 numbers:
  - a. 3100929
  - b. 3100930
  - c. 3101304
  - d. 3101336
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From:	<u>Cr Julie Talty</u>
To:	Redland City Council Review
Subject:	Fwd: Div 6 - Boundaries
Date:	Monday, 28 September 2015 3:26:35 PM
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Further to my submission and those of my colleagues please see below a mud map, with the green cross hatched areas being the area proposed to to to proposed Division 4, and the pink cross hatched area being the area proposed to stay in Division 6 as it currently is, and to be put into the boundary change to the proposed changes to Division 6 Redland City, that I am trying to achieve through my submission as copied below.

with thanks Councillor Julie Talty Division 6, Redland City Council

### **To:** "Cr Julie Talty" <<u>Julie.Talty@redland.qld.gov.au</u>> **Subject: Div 6 - Boundaries**

### proposed boundary realignment for electoral area Division 6 Redland City submission

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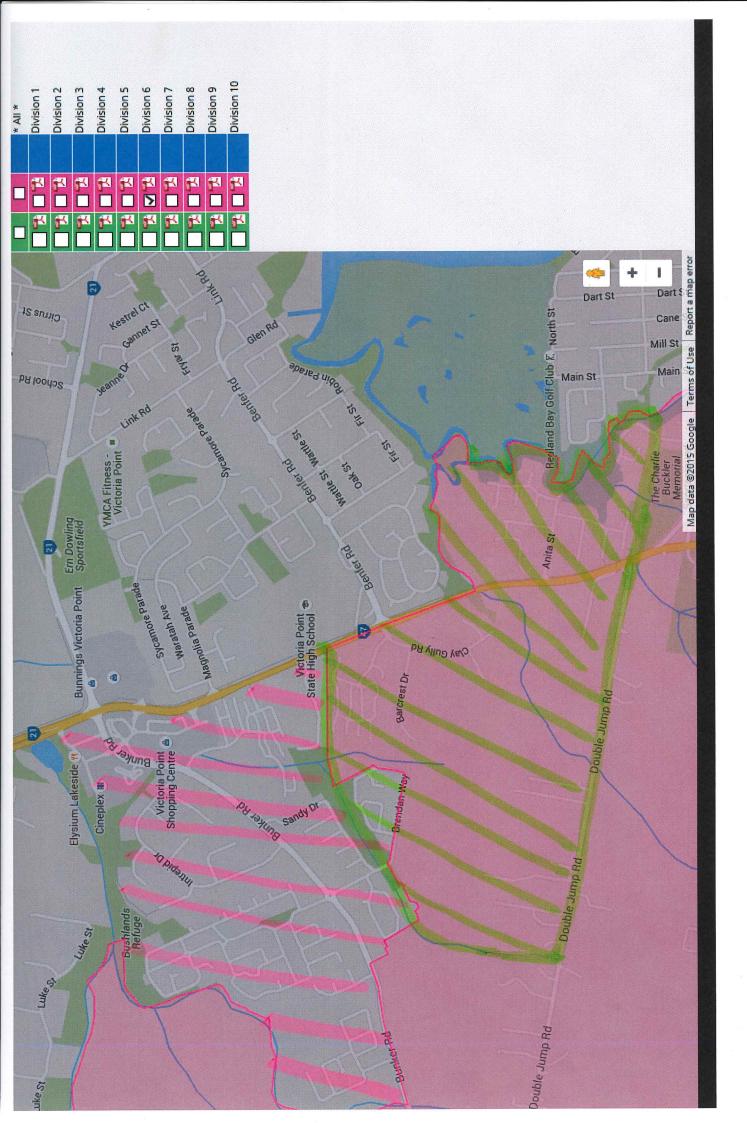
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#### **Councillor Mark Edwards**

Division 5 Redland Bay and the Southern Moreton Bay Islands

From:	Cr Paul Gleeson
То:	Redland City Council Review
Subject:	Proposed boundary realignments
Date:	Monday, 28 September 2015 1:06:52 PM

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Cr Paul Gleeson Councillor for Division 9 Paul.gleeson@redland.qld.gov.au

#### Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to lodge my support for the proposed changes to Redland City Council electorate, Division 4. Commenting as the current divisional Councillor, the division currently comprises parts of three individual suburbs (Victoria Point, Thornlands, Redland Bay) plus an Island community (Coochiemudlo). The new proposal encompasses most of Victoria Point and Coochiemudlo Island, which I am sure electors/residents will find considerably less confusing than the current zoning. The western part of Victoria Point is currently Division 6 and I am constantly contacted by those resident who believe I am their representative. Thank you for your consideration.

Kind Regards,

Cr Lance Hewlett Councillor, Division 4 Victoria Point and Coochiemudlo Island Redland City Council | Cnr Middle and Bloomfield Streets, Cleveland QLD 4163 | <u>PO Box 21, Cleveland QLD 4163 |</u> Phone: <u>(07) 3829-8603 | Mobile: 0421 880 371 |</u> Email: Lance.Hewlett@redland.qld.gov.au| Web: www.redland.qld.gov.au

https://www.facebook.com/lance.hewlett

Dear Commissioner,

With reference to the above I wish to make an objection on the following grounds.

The Regulation stipulates certain considerations for establishing the public interest in respect of external boundaries, namely that boundaries should:

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governments).

The proposed changes fail to reflect a number of the principles in the following:

The area bounded by Finucane Road, Windemere Road, Crotona Road, Moreton Bay Road should be included as the residents have a strong association with the Division. Alexandra Hills Shopping Centre is their local district centre.

This area should have been included as the first step in the review. It has the highest conductivity with the Division.

The area proposed bounded by Wellington Street, South Street, Hilliards Creek and Finucane Road. What possible conductivity does this area have with the existing Division? This fails the test in principles 1,2,3,4,6 & 7.

The area proposed bounded by Boundary Road, Springacre Road, Eprapah Creek and Mt Cotton Road. What possible conductivity does this area have with the existing division? This fails the test in principles 1,2,3,4,6 & 7 as well.

I accept that the Kinross Road area bounded by Wellington Street/Panorama Drive , South Street, Hilliards Creek and Boundary Road should be included.

I ask you to consider these comments in the best interest of the community.

Yours sincerely

Murray Elliott Councillor for Division 7 Redland City Council murray.elliott@redland.qld.gov.au



#### From your Council Representative

Councillor Paul Bishop

Representing Division 10 - Birkdale North/Thorneside

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Our Ref: PB:lh File: DW

28 September 2015

Change Commission – Redland City Council Redivision GPO BOX 1393 BRISBANE QLD 4001

Dear Change Commissioner

I wish to make a submission regarding the proposed boundary changes to Division 10, Redland City Council.

My preference is to retain the present divisional boundaries that align with Birkdale (and Thorneside), rather than to extend north of Collingwood Road (away from Birkdale suburb) by a similar number that Division 10 would then represent in Wellington Point.

While I understand the need to increase numbers for Division 10, I'd prefer to consolidate or increase numbers within the suburb of Birkdale than to represent residents of the 'Point' that was formerly Wellington Point (Division1).

My preference aligns with the boundary suggested on RCC's Proposed Map #02 which was prepared as part of RCC's extensive local officer consideration, ahead of this ECQ reconfiguration. Why we did not send our maps and preferences is a matter for the Majority of councillors to answer.

To be clear, if there is any chance to add numbers, may I request that it aligns with residents who reside near Birkdale Road, perhaps including Carinyan Drive, Birkdale.

I have discussed this proposal and sought the support of my adjoining divisional councillors, Wendy Boglary (Division 1) and Deputy Mayor Alan Beard (Division 8) who have co-signed below.

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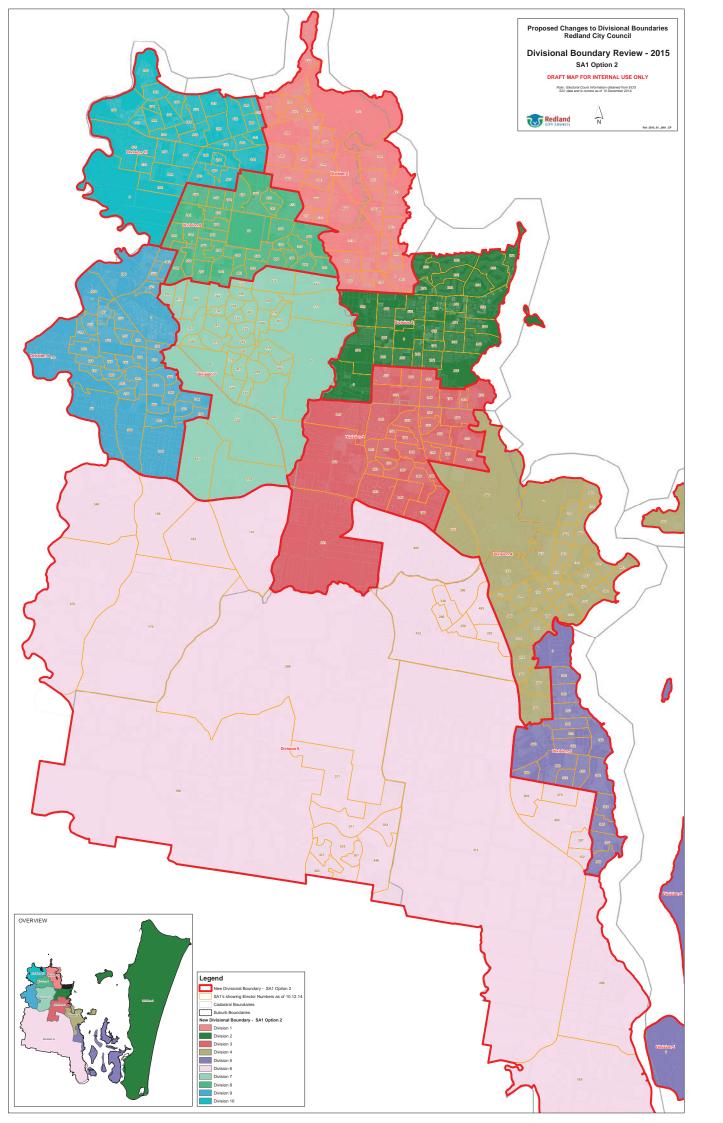
Paul Bishop Councillor Division 10

Wendy Boglary **Councillor Division 1** (Co-signed)

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Alan Beard **Councillor Division 8** (Co-signed)

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From:	Cr Wendy Boglary
To:	Redland City Council Review
Cc:	<u>Cr Wendy Boglary; Lisa Horan; Jo Jones</u>
Subject:	FW: Ltr - Cr Boglary to the Change Commission
Date:	Monday, 28 September 2015 10:39:24 AM
Attachments:	20150928091715887.pdf

Good morning Electoral Change Commissioner,

Attached is my submission concerning the proposed changes to the divisional boundaries of Division 1 in Redland City

With the expected growth in the southern areas of the City it is visionary to have increased numbers in the northern divisions. Within a couple of years with the rate of growth the southern divisions will have equalled these numbers.

The Wellington Point community is a close knit community and these proposed changes do not enhance connectivity or unity within the area.

I ask the Electoral Commission respectfully consider the impacts on our community.

Warm Regards, Cr. Wendy Boglary Division 1 Councillor Redland City Council Ph: 3829 8619 wendy.boglary@redland.qld.gov.au find me on facebook Wendy Boglary to have regular updates An independent community voice Keeping Redlands Redlands

Due to the quantity of emails received daily occasionally one gets missed. If you do not receive a response within 48 hours, please follow up as your views and concerns are important to me.





#### **Councillor Wendy Boglary** Representing Division 1 – Wellington Point/Ormiston

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25 September 2015

Change Commission – Redland City Council Redivision GPO BOX 1393 BRISBANE QLD 4001

Dear Change Commissioner

I write to comment on the ECQ's Re-division Proposals to Division 1.

Two boundary changes are proposed for Division 1, transferring part of the Wellington Point locality to Division 10 in the north, while gaining some of the Wellington Point locality from Division 8 in the south.

In the north of Division 1, the current boundary comes off the coastline near the Three Paddocks and Sovereign Waters Foreshore Parks and gives a distinct geographical boundary to the two communities of neighbouring suburbs.

The new boundary will instead continue to follow Birkdale Road, to the east connecting to Main Road and then veering to the left to separate the Wellington Point Village into two areas. To divide the "Village", the commerce centre into two areas would lessen the unity of the business district and surrounding residential areas.

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The proposed northern boundary alignment does not:

- Reflect geographical patterns of human activity by Wellington Point Village being split;
- Have regard for communities of interest who utilise the village as a local centre on regular basis, but are now located in a different division;
- Maintain a connection between properties of interest, i.e. dissects a key commercial area for the division in its entirety; and
- Assist planning in the operation of facilities and services in this commercial area.

This boundary change will move 1,391 electors from part of the Wellington Point locality into Division 10.

In the south of Division 1, the current boundary separating Division 1 from Division 8 follows Pitt, Nelson and Main Roads. The proposed boundary will instead veer off Pitt Road onto Tulloch Drive, then follow the Wellington Point locality boundary to Old Cleveland Road East and will continue along this road until connecting with the current boundary, also on Old Cleveland Road East. The change will shift 1,153 electors from the Wellington Point locality in Division 8, into Division 1.

I agree with this proposed boundary change as this would now have the entire suburb of Wellington Point in one division (if the northern boundary remains as is), which would strengthen the community and increase connectivity.

However, the total population change with the ECQ proposal would be 238. This is not worth the confusion and angst it would cause in the community. If the current northern boundary alignment was to remain the same, this division would have an increase of 1153 residents, which remains well within the elector variance allowed. This makes sense as the growth in the city is in the southern areas so by division 1 having a few more residents it would relieve the southern areas of future population growth pressures.

I strongly urge the ECQ to consider these comments in the best interest of the community.

Wendy Boglary Councillor Division 1

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Alan Meant

Paul Bishop Councillor Division 10 (Co-signed)

Alan Beard Councillor Division 8 (Co-signed)



## Redlands2030 Inc. Submission Redland City Council Internal Electoral Boundaries

### Submission to Proposed ECQ Draft Changes 21 Sept 2015

The ECQ has undertaken a boundary review of electoral Divisions within the Redland City Council area triggered by a statutory requirement to address an imbalance in the number of electors in some divisions which would exceed the quota tolerance of 10% for the next quadrennial election in 2016 and/or in the following quadrennial election expected in 2020.

In the process of proposing new divisional boundaries the ECQ has reasonably and understandably sought to, and has proposed to, equalize the projected number of electors in each division well within the quota tolerance with the apparent exception of Division 4.

The ECQ is currently proposing to change the boundaries of all 10 of the existing divisions.

It is understood that changing the boundaries of just a single division can cause a consequential ripple effect precipitating the need for boundary changes to any number of neighbouring divisions in order to maintain electoral equity within the electoral quota tolerance.

Where there is a need to change any divisional boundaries it is understood that consideration is given to communities of interest generally reflecting local communities, the geographical pattern of human activities and the linkages between local communities.

While it may not be a statutory requirement, it is also contended that in the interests of minimizing elector confusion and efficiency boundaries are not changed unless there is a demonstrated need to do so.

#### **PURPOSE OF SUBMISSION**

The purpose of this submission is to submit objections and provide suggestions to the proposed ECQ divisional boundaries regarding:

- the existing boundaries of Division 1 are retained.
- consequent changes are considered to the ECQ proposed boundaries of abutting Divisions 8 and 10 (and by "ripple effect" Division 9)
- changes to Divisions 8,9 &10 be either eliminated or minimized on the grounds that:
  - O the proposed change to Division 1 is unnecessary to meet statutory requirements or equity
  - O the proposed change to Division 1 conflicts very significantly with the interests of the local community and geographical pattern of human activities in the area
  - O the consequent or other changes to the boundaries of Divisions 8 and 9 are either unnecessary or excessive with the potential to unnecessarily confuse voters and do not enhance the community of interest.



#### DISCUSSION

Under the existing boundaries the number of electors in Division 1 is within about 3% of quota for existing and projected enrolments. Accordingly it is speculated that the proposed changes to the boundaries may have been driven in the first instance by a need to increase the number of electors in Division 10.

Division 1 currently covers all of northern areas the suburb of Wellington Point and all of the Ormiston suburb. It includes the Wellington Point Reserve, the Wellington Point Neighbourhood Shopping Centre or "village", (a well established character strip centre) and the Ormiston Local Centre. In practical terms the only access to the Wellington Point Reserve – a recreation area of Redland City & regional significance – is via Main Road which passes through the middle of the Wellington Point village.

# The proposed Draft change in the north of Division 1 transferring SAI's 3100601, 604, 622 and 623 to Division 10 would effectively split the Wellington Point village into two divisions along Main Road and transfer the Wellington Point Reserve into Division 10. It would also split the significant community that lives north of the village.

Division 10 is currently based on the suburbs of Thorneside (100%) and Birkdale (part). The proposed change would add a very small, unrelated part of the Wellington Point suburb to Division 10.

The ECQ proposed transfer of a part of existing Division 8 (SAI's 3100602, 3100619, 31006120 and 3100624 (part) to Division 1 is interpreted as consequential to the ECQ proposed gain of SAI's 3100321, 3100322, 3100323 and 3100325 (Split) from Division 10 in the north. Both of these areas could reasonably be considered as "neutral" with respect to "community of interest" issues.

Other proposed changes to Divisions 8, 9 and 10 appear to be principally consequential only to the proposed changes in Division 1, many of which would be unnecessary if the current boundaries of Division 1 were retained.

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#### SUGGESTIONS



It is suggested that in order to minimize variations in electors between Divisions a transfer of SAI 3100324 and 3100325 from Division 8 (Area 'A') into Division 10 is warranted. Again, this area could reasonably be considered as "neutral" with respect to "community of interest" issues.

The ECQ proposed transfer of Area 'B' from Division 7 into Division 8 is considered appropriate.

It is suggested that the current boundaries of both Divisions 1 and Division 9 remain unchanged.

The proposed changes in divisional enrolments (relative to the existing boundaries) are depicted on the adjacent map and the below SA1 Map of Division 8 (existing boundaries). Suggested boundary highlighted.





Acceptance of this submission in full would result in the following Divisional Enrolments:-

Division Number	Enrolmnt as at 23/02/15	% Devn from Quota	Projected Enrolmnt as at 31/03/16	% Devn from Quota	Projected Enrolmnt as at 28/02/19	% Devn from Quota	Comments
City Average/ Division	99,635 <b>9,964</b>		101,397 <b>10,140</b>		105,818 <b>10,582</b>		
Div 1	10,259	+2.96 %	10,473	+3.28 %	10,907	+3.07 %	No Change to Existing Boundary
Div 8 Add from	9,402	-5.64%	9,565	-5.67%	9,954	-5.93 %	Existing Boundary
Div 7 Trans to	727		740		759		As per ECQ Proposal
Div 10	-390		-391		-391		SAI 100324, 325 Spl
	9,739	-2.26%	9,914	-2.23%	10,322	- 2.46%	Submission Bdy
Div 9	9,903	-0.61%	10,000	-1.38%	10,354	- 2.15%	No Change to Existing Boundary
<b>Div 10</b> Trans fr	9.491	-4.75%	9,656	-4.77%	9,946	- 6.01%	Existing Boundary
Div 8	390		391		391		SAI 100324, 325 Spl
	9,881	-0.83%	10,047	-0.92%	10,337	- 2.32%	Submission Bdy

Redlands2030 Inc. looks forward to advice as to how ECQ has considered this submission.

Steve MacDonald President, Redlands2030 Inc.

104 Channel Street CLEVELAND 4163 24 September 2015

From:	Bethlehem Preschool And Kindergarten
То:	Redland City Council Review
Subject:	Division 4 and 6 changes
Date:	Monday, 28 September 2015 3:53:36 PM

Dear ECQ,

I am writing in support of the proposed changes to divisions 4 and 6.

I was the Councillor for Division 4 for ten years before becoming a Member of Parliament.

As the division 4 Councillor primarily covers Victoria Pt it causes confusion to residents on the other side of Cleveland Redland Bay Rd and the business precincts of Victoria Point Shopping Centre and Lakeside Shopping centre as they logically think they are in Division 4.

Including these areas in division 4 as the ECQ has proposed will alleviate years of confusion. It is the most logical outcome to include more of Victoria Pt into Division 4, as it was several years ago. Thank you for the opportunity to submit my comments.

Kind Regards Peter Dowling. Former Councillor Div 4.

Sent from my iPad

To whom may concern

I fully support the amalgamation of Division 6 into Division 7 because it will facilitate growth opportunities in the Redlands.

Thank you

Eveline Fennelly Thornlands Name: Marette Palo

Council: Redland City

Additional I strongly oppose the division of wellington point. What purpose would it serve. This is a stupid decision that will not be welcomed by residents. Regards Marette Palo

Name:Charlie BurridgeCouncil:Redland City

Additional Information: I believe boundaries should remain as they are

Name: Lesley McEwan

Council: Redland City

I have just had a look at the new boundries for Wellington Point and think it Additional Information: division. Please have the suburb of "Wellington Point", especially the shopping centre, in one division. Who makes these boundaries?????

From:	no-reply@ecq.qld.gov.au
То:	<u>Reviews</u>
Subject:	Feedback Form Received from Meredith Nestor
Date:	Sunday, 20 September 2015 8:25:30 PM

Name: Meredith Nestor

Council: Redland City

Additional Information: Realigning boundaries between Div 1 & 10 along Main Rd will disadvantage constituents because the primary restaurant/social precinct in Wellington Pt will be split in half. Local traders could be exploited by opposing Councillors and prized Wellington Pt tourist area ends up in Birkdale. I disagree.

From:	The Treggies
То:	Redland City Council Review
Cc:	wendy.boglary@redland.qld.gov.au
Subject:	Redland City Re-Division
Date:	Tuesday, 22 September 2015 9:06:50 AM

Dear Change Commissioner,

I recently received correspondence from my local Councillor Wendy Boglary advising that the Electoral Commission was considering a redistribution of Redland City Council. While in general I am not opposed to review and change, I do agree with Councillor Boglary that in the case of Wellington Point the proposed changes are inappropriately drawn through Wellington Point Village.

As a local resident in close proximity to the Wellington Point Village and a supporter of the local businesses, I believe there is a strong sense of community which will be negatively impacted by having divided representation of this precinct. The precinct has a successful local business group who work with Councillor Boglary to create a positive and healthy environment for businesses, residents and the many visitors who frequent Wellington Point. Together they provide a focal point for the community.

Councillor Boglary has pointed out the Commission is required to consider boundaries that reflect local communities, the geographical pattern of human activity and the linkages between local communities. Therefore any consideration for redistribution should consider the entire precinct as a whole.

Thank you for your consideration

Rhys Tregenza Wellington Point QLD 4160

From:	Barry Melgaard
To:	Redland City Council Review
Subject:	ECQ Proposed Boundary Change - Wellington Point
Date:	Tuesday, 22 September 2015 10:27:21 AM

22 September 2015 Change Commissioner Local Government Change Commission – Redland City Council Redivision GPO Box 1393, Brisbane QLD 4001

#### **REDLAND CITY RE-DIVISION**

Dear Change Commissioner,

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Barry & Liz Melgaard

Wellington Point

From: Amy Glade Sent: Tuesday, 22 September 2015 11:00 AM To: Jan Smith Subject: Re: 21.9.15 Redland's 10 electorates to be adjusted ahead of next year's election. RCB

WHO decided it a good idea to split Wellington Pt? Why! How do we benefit? Knowing powerful forces were at work last election to oust Cr Wendy Boglary, Wellington Pt... and knowing, according to man I met over lunch at RSL Cleveland, that Mayor Karen Williams hates Cr Boglary, who works for her constituents to the best of her ability, (along with 2 others, gave from her own Councillor Small Grants Fund, money for Redlands Foodbank to help those 'doing it tough' for total amt by the 3, of \$6,600).

Is there a candidate waiting in the wings to be rid of Wendy? Mayor's dear friend, ex-Mayor Don Seccombe runs, seems to me, Redlands Sporting Club, where their dear friend & Deputy Mayor Alan Beard, entertains each Thursday, elderly folk who clap wildly gambling friends tell me. Redlands Sporting Club STAGE is used to promote candidates of choice, informed Karen Williams jumped on stage to announce running for mayor, plus candidate of choice to replace Wendy Boglary prior to last election. Could there be a reason behind this ridiculous move to split the point's major centre in order to pave the way to unseating sitting councillor for one favoured by the Williams Six & ex-Seccombe Six & Co? I'm certain forces are at work to be rid of any councillor the Mayor and associates don't want. They will want a replacement who nods in agreement

to whatever mayor approves, like Ms Hardman (and Cr Gleeson), promoted into her councillor position adding to Mayor's numbers of six..by Fed Member Andrew Laming, with remaining five deprived of portfolios. Andrew Laming now sits beside ousted Tony Abbott on back benches in Parliament according to Courier Mail article.

Just wondering... Amy

From: Jan Smith Sent: Monday, September 21, 2015 10:56 AM

# Has common sense prevailed? Fancy even thinking of splitting Wellington Pt!

#### **Redland's 10 electorates to be adjusted ahead of next year's election** By Judith Kerr

Sept. 21, 2015, 8:50 a.m. Print Story

Redland council's 10 electorates to be adjusted for population increases before next year's election

REDLAND City Council's 10 electorates will be adjusted for population increases before next year's local government election on March 19.

Major changes suggested by the commission include handing over Division 1's popular beach and park at Wellington Point to Division 10 and hiving off Redland Bay's village from Division 5 to Division 6.

The proposals have raised the ire of Division 1 councillor Wendy Boglary who said they would divide communities and destroy the soul of the Wellington Point Village.

Cr Boglary, whose electorate covers Wellington Point and Ormiston, said the boundary would cut Wellington Point Village out of her electorate. "The regulations say community interest and linkages have to be considered," she said.

"In these changes, Division 1 loses 1391 voters to gain 1227 - a net change of 164 voters which is hardly a significant number.

"The new area was originally in Division 1 but let's not split retail and residential communities just for the sake of change ... what's the point?"

Electoral Commission Queensland unveiled the changes last week saying they were necessary so each division contained an average 9964 voters.

In its determination, released on Thursday, ECQ said the city had 99,635 voters on the electoral roll and each electorate must contain a minimum of 8967 voters up to a maximum of 10,960.

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In February, council reported Division 5 and Division 6 would have too many voters to meet the commission's reasonable proportion requirements for the 2016 election.

The council also found Division 7 would have too few voters and would fall below the quota for the march ballot.

Council Organisational Services general manager Nick Clarke said the boundaries needed to be redrawn to ensure a fairer distribution of the city's projected 100,350 voters before the 2016 election.

A council report in November found the average number of voters in each division last year was 9769 with Cr Mark Edwards's Division 5, having the most with 10,726 voters.

Cr Murray Elliott's Division 7 was the smallest with 9065 voters.

The commission recommendations took into consideration a request from Cr Edwards to ensure his Division 5 electorate included the least number of voters.

Currently, Division 5, which encorporates four southern bay islands, is the largest with 10,726 voters compared with the smallest, Division 7's 9065 voters.

The proposal suggested no changes to the southern bay islands, which will remain part of Cr Edward's Division 5.

Other adjustments include Division 2 expanding south to take in more of Cleveland currently in Division 3 but losing some of it's western boundary to Division 7.

Division 3 will gain eastern parts of Thornlands from Divisions 4 and 6 and lose northern parts of Thornlands and Alexandra Hills to Division 7.

Division 4 will expand west to take in more of Victoria Point from Division 6 and lose parts of Thornlands to Division 3 and some of Redland Bay to Division 6.

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Division 7 will expand to take in some of Thornlands and Alexandra Hills from Division 3 as well as part of Thornlands and Sheldon from Division 6. It will lose part of Alexandra Hills to Division 8, which will gain parts of Birkdale from Division 10.

The commission will consider objections received before 5pm on Monday, September 28 before making its final determination.

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Submissions maybe sent via email to: <u>redlandcitvcouncilreview@ecq.qld.gov.au</u> or sent to below address You can read more on the electoral commission Queensland web site

<Insert date> 22 NO SEPTEMBER 2015 Change Commissioner

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NO LOGIC IN TITLS PROPOSAL!!

This urgent community update was published and paid for by Wendy Boglary

# URGENT UPDATE from Councillor Wendy Boglary Don't break up 🥑 **Wellington Point** ELECTORAL COMMISSION ENSLAND 2 4 SEP 2015 ECEIVED **Splitting Wellington Point**

### AS PART OF THE REDLAND CITY COUNCIL REDIVISION, THE QLD ELECTORAL COMMISSION HAVE PROPOSED TO DIVIDE WELLINGTON POINT BETWEEN TWO COUNCIL DIVISIONS.

At present, the current boundary comes off the coastline near Three Paddocks and Sovereign Waters Foreshore Parks before connecting with the Birkdale Rd. The proposed new boundary will instead continue to follow Birkdale Road, connecting to Main Road and then veering to the left to follow Main Road to the Reserve at the Point. This will divide Wellington Point between the two Council divisions which will disconnect the community. What's the Point?

The ECQ is now calling for objections to its proposed boundaries. Please copy & paste the text and email no later <u>than Monday 28<sup>th</sup> September 5.00pm</u> to redlandcitycouncilreviews@ecq.qd.gov.au

#### 23 September 2015

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Karen Horwood WELLINGTON POINT

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From:	Don Brown
To:	Redland City Council Review
Cc:	wendy.boglary@redland.qld.gov.au
Subject:	Redland city proposed boundaries
Date:	Tuesday, 22 September 2015 10:09:16 PM

#### 22/9/15

Dear Change Commissioner,

I urge the ECQ to reconsider the proposal to divide Wellington point into two divisions.

I am a long-term resident of Wellington Point my Great Grand Mother lived and died in Beachcrest St. Wellington Point.

As long as I can remember there has been not only a sense of belonging and contributing to the district as wello pointers but moreover, we have done so with the ability to lobby/approach a single entity over matters Local Government.

As a resident of Wellington point I have played a role in a number of community based organisations in the area and at all times have been able to approach the local councillor with respect to these organisations. For example I am a life member of Redlands Tigers cricket club which is in Wellington point. My council representative lives in Wellington point, I live in Wellington point and the club is in Wellington point. There is a strong community of interest.

Similarly with the Wellington point bowls club, the Wellington point state school and the Redlands Sporting Club. All of these important community based organisations are currently part of one division of council which includes all of the residents of Wellington point.

If the changes are implemented these clubs and organisations would all be in a different division to many Wellington point residents myself included.

The council member who would, if the change is implemented, be representing me and many other Wellington point residents, would not have the direct connection to the bodies mentioned that currently exists. The thread of community of interest would be broken.

Community meetings addressing matters, for example, such as hooning at the Wellington point reserve and the roads leading to it have historically been convened by the one councillor for Wellington point. The changes would necessitate two councillors' inputs into such a community meeting which could result in division or disunity. Again a negative for the sense of community that currently exists.

The proposed change also divides the "village", the commerce centre, into two distinct areas which again would see a lessening of the unity of purpose so necessary for the progress of a village such as ours. Finally I am advised the change will only bring about a change to Division 1 of about 200 electors

I respectfully object to the proposed changes and urge you to reconsider them.

Yours sincerely,

Don Brown Wellington Point. Q 4160 Change Commissioner Local Government Change Commission – Redland City Council Re-division GPO Box 1393 BRISBANE Q 4001

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Joanne Blake Wellington Point, Qld 4160. Attn: Change Commissioner

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Dr Michael John McLean Wellington Point, Queensland 4160

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regards Rebecca Neale Change Commissioner Local Government Change Commission – Redland City Council Re-division GPO Box 1393, Brisbane, Qld 4001

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Regards, Kathleen Mawhinney Wellington Point Qld 4160

From:	no-reply@ecq.qld.gov.au
То:	<u>Reviews</u>
Subject:	Feedback Form Received from Kathy Mawhinney
Date:	Wednesday, 23 September 2015 4:33:08 PM

Name: Kathy Mawhinney

# Council: Redland City

Additional Information: I do not support these changes of the ECQ's Re-division Proposal to divide Wellington Point north in two down Birkdale Road and Main Road and request that the suburb of Wellington Point north should remain wholly within Council Division 1.The proposed change splits our community/services in two.



Change Commissioner Local Govenrment Change Commission - Redland City Council Redivision GPO Box 1393, BRISBANE, QLD 4001

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Kind regards Peter R Erskine

# **Objection to proposed boundary changes to Division 1, Redland City**

Our children are third generation 'Wellington Point' residents.

We know this because we live close to:

- the Wello Primary School;
- the shops (which we call the "Village"); and
- what we locals call "*the point*" our beach.

There's nothing else (except perhaps the train station) that defines the locality of Wellington Point quite the same.

The proposed boundary changes to Division 1 show <u>no regard</u> to the <u>identity</u> of the local Wellington Point **community**. It is not reflective of community lifestyle and established activities. The proposal would have our local division (and elected Councillor) encompassing/representing much of Wellington Point, but not **half the shops** or the **point** itself? How is this possible?

This is akin to renaming the Sydney Opera House as the Bondi Opera house. The Point is ours, and so are all the shops - these changes are not in the **public interest**, as required by legislation.

I would suggest if there is a problem with balancing numbers between divisions then there are areas to the south of Division 1 that incorporate the **Birkdale** South School (for example) that would fit much better in the proposed Division 10, which is generally regarded as **Birkdale**/Thorneside.

Whoever prepared this proposal has **completely misunderstood** the local **identity** of Wellington Point, which is focused around the Northern parts of the division, including the "point" (Erobin).

And who ever came up with splitting our Village **shops** down the middle??? We have a lot of local village activities, events and markets - do we now need **two** elected Councillors to organise this – where is the efficiency in this? This is clearly a backward step which makes for **inefficiencies** in government and confusion about representation.

*Tanya's Café* has been an entrenched part of Wellington Point for decades, is that no longer to be included in our Wello Village?

Finally, have a look on *Google Maps* as to where the words "Wellington Point" are located, even they can get it right!

I'm sorry, but in 20 years of public service employment, I've never seen anything as bizarre as this, well except perhaps for Mt Perry Council surviving amalgamation all those years ago.

**Owen Davies** 

Wellington Point

From:	no-reply@ecq.qld.gov.au
То:	<u>Reviews</u>
Subject:	Feedback Form Received from Rosemarie Arthars
Date:	Thursday, 24 September 2015 7:12:04 PM

Name: Rosemarie Arthars

Council: Redland City

Additional I wish to strenuously object to the proposed boundary review. This is Information: completely unwarranted and unacceptable and I am completely opposed.

From:	rosemarie arthars
То:	Redland City Council Review
Subject:	Proposed electoral boundary changes
Date:	Wednesday, 23 September 2015 7:50:04 PM

This is unacceptable and reprehensible....categorically NO tot he proposed changes of the boundary to Division 1/Wellington Point.

Sent from my iPad

From:	David Moriarty
To:	Redland City Council Review
Cc:	Cr Wendy Boglary
Subject:	Redland city council - Wellington Point electoral boundary
Date:	Wednesday, 23 September 2015 8:26:57 PM

For Attention: The Change Commissioner

We have just seen the proposed changes to the boundaries for Division 1 - Wellington Point.

The changes are quite unacceptable to us. Having lived here for nearly 40 years we are surprised to see that it is proposed that our community would be divided and 2 different Councillors would oversee sections of our village and community amenities.

Perhaps the maps were drawn up by a computer programmed by another computer with an imperfect artificial intelligence design, rather than a real human who understood what residents of a village or suburban area desire.

The proposed boundary down Main Road is contrary to the stipulation in the Regulations:

"The Regulation stipulates certain considerations for establishing the public interest in respect of external boundaries, namely that boundaries should:

Have regard to communities of interest, generally: Reflect local communities, the geographical pattern of human activities and

the linkages between local communities;

Have a centre(s) of administration and service easily accessible to its population;

Ensure effective elected representation"

The Wellington Point area to the north of us and the Point itself would no longer be in our Division and therefore a different Councillor, who would not be part of our community, would then have to deal with issues there.

The shopping Centre would be divided into two Divisions. That is plain silly. It shows that no thought has gone into considering Wellington Point as a community.

Therefore, the boundary between Thomas Street and Allan Day Drive must not be changed.

If that means the population distribution requires the numbers in Division 1 to be lowered, then the obvious way to do that is to move the southern boundary northwards. The residents in the southern section of Ormiston are more closely aligned to Cleveland — Divisions 2 and 8 — than to Wellington Point.

An obvious way to lower the numbers in Division 1 is to move the section that is west of the railway and between Old Cleveland Road East and Shore Street to Division 8; and not move the northern boundary of Div. 8 up to Collingwood Road.

Therefore, in summary, we object strongly to the proposal that Wellington Point should be divided along Main Road. The original northern boundary of Division 1 must be retained.

Yours sincerely, David and Christine Moriarty

(Prof.) David J. W. Moriarty Ph.D., D.Sc. Wellington Point. Qld. 4160

#### 23 September 2015

Wellington Point 4160

Change Commission – Redland City Council Re-division GPO BOX 1393 BRISBANE QLD 4001

redlandcitycouncilreview@ecq.qld.gov.au

Dear Sir/Madam

#### **Re: Proposed Change to Division 1 of Redland City**

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission regarding the above.

I note the proposed change in boundary to Division 1 of Redland City and wish to lodge a firm objection. If you have ever lived in the Wellington Point surrounds, you will know that this is a unique community that links recreation, school, reserve and village facilities. The proposed boundary change isolates key elements that make up the uniqueness of the Wellington Point area. By splitting the current Wellington Point Division in the proposed manner, there is an introduced risk that the separated areas of Wellington Point will have issues that are managed, debated and ultimately decided on independently and thus risk the homogeneous nature of what constitutes Wellington Point.

The proposed new boundary is illogical and unreasonable and should be reconsidered. It is vital that our Wellington Point community can speak with one voice on all stages, federal, state and local government. By splitting the Division in the manner proposed, it breaks off a key element of unity.

As I understand the proposed change, not only does it split key elements of the community, but it also does this in a harsh manner through the Wellington Point village itself.

To recap, I am lodging an objection to proposed boundary change of Division 1 in Redland City on the basis of destruction of the community links and segregation of the geographical nature of activities within this community, all for a very negligible decrease in population. There is no valid reason for any change to the boundaries of Division 1.

**Yours Sincerely** 

Dr Glenn W J Anderson (not signed as submitted electronically)

### <Insert date> 22 SEPT 2015

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Kind regards,

BARRIE & LESLEY TUBBETTS

<Insert name>

VELLINGTON BINT <Insert address> To keep up to date with our divisional news follow me on facebook

Wendy Boglary Councillor or email me to be included in my e-newsletter

wendy.boglary@redland.qld.gov.au

From:	no-reply@ecq.qld.gov.au
То:	<u>Reviews</u>
Subject:	Feedback Form Received from James Farrow
Date:	Tuesday, 22 September 2015 3:21:22 PM

Name: James Farrow

Council: Redland City

Additional Information: The proposal to cut the wellington point village business district (and to remove Wellington Point) from Wellington Point (Division 1) in Redlands is very poorly considered. This would cause issues for no good reason. If you look at the before and after maps, the change makes absolutely no sense.

From:	no-reply@ecq.qld.gov.au
То:	Reviews
Subject:	Feedback Form Received from Anita Michele Dougal
Date:	Tuesday, 22 September 2015 4:51:18 PM

Name: Anita Michele Dougal

Council: Redland City

Additional Information: This proposed change is ridiculous to split a "suburb" and divide off a community that has worked very hard by its local councillor that has made a difference bringing everyone together.Its really a change for sake of change! Always been 1 Division, its one community and why should that change now. Name: maria Anderson

Council: Redland City

Additional Information: we have experienced a fair bit of political instability which is impacting business and consumer confidence. I would politely suggest it is not appropriate to make this change. With a change in federal leadership it is important to focus on more important changes and the timing is not appropriate.

Name: Lynda Dunlop

# Council: Redland City

Additional Information: I am confused as to why a dotted line can be drawn through Wellington Point and would request more information regarding this proposal and the benefit to our community.

Name: Julie Davies

Council: Redland City

I have lived here all my life, how can our Wellington Point division notAdditionalInformation:changes to Division 1 show no regard to the identity of the local WellingtonPoint community.

Name: Lauren king

Council: Redland City

I cannot believe you are thinking of splitting our beautiful village in Additional Wellington point. The Main Road through Wellington point leads to the Information: actual point. You cannot waste money and change it to Birkdale. Leave it as it is please!! Name: mitch king

Council: Redland City

Additional Please do not waste even more money and spilt up a great community that is Wellington point. We are a great community and putting a divide right Information: through the actual main areas is ludacris. There are many other divisions that could be split up without doing what you are thinking of.

From:	Bill Vaughan	
То:	Redland City Council Review	
Subject:	Objection to proposed Redland city Council Boundary review Division 7+ div 3	
Date:	Thursday, 24 September 2015 10:59:21 AM	
Attachments:	image002.gif	
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	DEO 6 RPS 5.2.pdf	
	2015-PROPOSED-DETERMINATION-Redland-City-Council.pdf	
	Ministerial Letter re RCC Plan 2016.pdf	

The review panel.

We the under signed do broadly agree with the proposals, but with one caveat.

We believe that the present proposal removes eight (8) properties from the SE corner of the proposed division and alienates them from their traditional association with the areas of Springacre Road, Eprapah Rd. and the Woodlands Platres area.

These eight properties are an integral part of the Thornlands Integrated Enterprise Area which is recognised by cadastral boundaries both by the State and the City with regard to planning and future Urban growth and Employment opportunities.

The proposal should be amended to include these eight properties that are located between Boundary road to the north, and Eprapah Cr. To the south. They are nearly all bounded by Kate place to the east. We have attached a copy of the TIEA area, a letter from the Deputy Premier and an extract from the Redland City Planning Scheme.

Yours Truly

Bill & Jeanette Vaughan

THORNLANDS Q 4164



Deputy Premier Minister for Transport, Minister for Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning and Minister for Trade

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20 AUG 2015

Councillor Karen Williams Mayor Redland City Council PO Box 21 CLEVELAND QLD 4163

Dear Councillor Williams

your letter of 24 November 2014 to the former Planning

I refer to your letter of 24 November 2014 to the former Planning Minister providing the proposed Redland City Plan 2015 for State interest review and consideration for approval to publicly consult.

The proposed planning scheme has been assessed in terms of comments received during the State interest review, the *Sustainable Planning Act 2009* and whether or not State interests would be adversely affected by the proposed planning scheme.

I am pleased to advise, in accordance with *Statutory guideline 04/14 Making and amending local planning instruments*, that I am satisfied the relevant State interests have been integrated and that the Redland City Council (the Council) may now publicly consult the version of the proposed planning scheme received by the then Department of State Development, Infrastructure and Planning on 26 February 2015 (incorporating the amendments provided to the Department on 4 August 2015) subject to the following conditions:

- 1) Prior to public consultation, amend zoning maps (ZM-001, ZM-002, ZM-003 and ZM-004), to identify the rural residential zone area within the rural zone and undertake the following consequential amendments:
  - a) amend all relevant parts of the proposed planning scheme to remove all parts and references related to the 'rural residential zone'
  - b) amend Part 3 Strategic Framework, section 3.3.1.4 to identify the area bounded by Taylor Road, Woodlands Drive and Springacre Road within the Thornlands area as a possible option for longer term, future urban growth
  - c) amend Strategic Framework map (SFM-001), to identify Southern Redland Bay and the area bounded by Taylor Road, Woodlands Drive and Spring acre Road within the Thornlands area as future urban growth investigation areas.
- 2) Prior to public consultation, amend overlay maps (OM-003, OM-004, OM-005 and OM-006) to appropriately reflect the current erosion prone area and bushfire hazard area mapping.

Notwithstanding, I advise that the proposed planning scheme, to the extent it applies to the Kinross Road declared master planned area, has satisfied the requirements of section 761A(3A)(a) of the *Sustainable Planning Act 2009*.

I note that the proposed planning scheme maps show the area subject to the current "Shoreline" development application as being zoned for rural purposes. While I consider this is appropriate during the public consultation period, I expect that the Council will review whether this designation remains appropriate following any decision the Council might make on the development application and the planning scheme will be updated accordingly when it is submitted for my approval to proceed to adoption.

If you require any further information, I encourage you to contact Ms Amanda Tzannes, Manager, Planning, Department of Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning on 5644 3223 or by email at Amanda.Tzannes@dilgp.qld.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

JACKIE TRAD MP DEPUTY PREMIER Minister for Transport, Minister for Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning and Minister for Trade

cc: Mr Bill Lyon Chief Executive Officer Redland City Council PO Box 21 CLEVELAND QLD 4163



24<sup>th</sup> September 2015

Change Commissioner LGCC Redland City Council Redivision GPO box 1393, Brisbane, QLD 4001

RE: Redland City Re- Division

Dear Change Commissioner,

I wish to comment on the ECQ's proposal to divide Wellington Point North in two along Birkdale and Main Roads. I strongly object to these changes.

The boundary proposed is totally irrational . I would like to know just how and by whom these strange choices were chosen. The residents of the area were certainly not consulted. If they had been those making the decisions would have realized that Wellington Point has a strong sense of community and connection to our Village. We moved here precisely for that sense of community. The proposed new boundary would only have a negative impact on the area. It would cause there to be an eastern Wellington Point Village and a north western WP Village represented by two different councillors. This can only cause confusion and dilute the voice of our community. Or was this the intent?

The ECQ's Determination Report says that Çommunities of interest should be respected and suburb boundaries matched where practicable. In addition local communities, the geographical pattern of activities and the linkages between local communities should be respected. The boundary proposed does not appear to be bearing in mind such guidelines and regulations. It will split our Village in two. Given there are better alternatives to achieve the required outcomes, I ask again whose requirements are these changes designed to serve?

The changes are not only irrational but unnecessary: the net change to Division 1's population is around 200 residents.

Please record my strong objection to such changes and leave Wellington Point wholly within Division 1.

Because the proposed boundaries are unnecessary, and irrational, I ask again who advised on this choice, who was consulted and who will benefit. I have an uneasy feeling about this. I would appreciate a considered reply.

Regards Marilyn McLean Wellington Point QLD 4160

From:	Kathy Walker
То:	Redland City Council Review
Subject:	Redistribution of Redland City Council
Date:	Thursday, 24 September 2015 7:27:14 PM

Thursday 24th September 2015

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Kind regards,

Kathleen Baynes Wellington Point QLD 4160 Russell Norton , Samuel Norton, Ellie Norton & Roxanne Egeskov Wellington Point Q 4160

#### Commissioner

Local Government Change Commission - Redland City Council Redivision GPO Box 1393, BRISBANE, QLD 4001

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Kind regards,

Russell Norton, Samuel Norton, Roxanne Egeskov, Ellie Norton

23 September 2015

From:	Dennis & Colleen Walker
To:	Redland City Council Review
Subject:	Redland City Re-division
Date:	Friday, 25 September 2015 8:49:28 AM
Importance:	High

To the Change Commissioner,

Local Government Change Commission Redland City Council Re-division

# Dear Sir/ Madam,

I would like to lodge a strong objection to the proposed boundary change of the area commonly referred to as "Wellington Point North" in Division 1, Redland City Council, (where I reside) especially in the general area where Birkdale Road and Main Roads meet, known locally as "The Village".

On my reading, the proposed boundary change would in effect, **split the Wellington Point Village** (excluding residential areas) **in two** which is totally unnecessary, almost "divisive" and certainly not in the interests of the residents, (many of whom use "the village" as a community meeting place), visitors to the area, or the traders. There is a very strong sense of community and connection to our "village" which happens to be one of the main reasons we chose to build and live here.

Additionally the change – as proposed would mean that traders would be administered by two councillors as opposed to one currently which seems illogical.

In support of my objection, according to a document on Electoral Commission Queensland website named "The Electoral Process Fact Sheet" (Sub Heading Redistribution criteria) "The Electoral Districts are established to meet a number of criteria. They must contain an equal number of electors – within 10% of the average for practical purposes – and meet communities of interest, ways of communication and travel, physical features and demographic trends as well as minimising change based on existing boundaries."

Further, I have been informed that the proposed changes (specifically in the area mentioned above) is actually against the Electoral Commission's terms of reference or regulation that state that **boundaries should reflect local communities, the geographical pattern of business activities and the linkages between local communities.** 

In summary, this is a totally unnecessary and poorly considered proposal that would negatively affect many people needlessly. One where there are simple and better alternatives that will achieve the desired outcome for the Change Commission

Yours faithfully, (concerned resident),

Dennis Walker Wellington Point Attn: Change Commissioner

Dear Change Commissioner

I am writing to object the the proposed changes to divide Wellington Point into two separate areas.

I object to it as a rate payer and tax payer because any change will involve associated costs and as this change is unnecessary and uncalled for these costs are therefore unnecessary and uncalled for.

I object as a local resident and voter because I voted for Wendy Boglary and I am very happy with the work she is doing and these changes may result in a change of councillor. It is extremely unusual to find a councillor that you actually recognise and positively vote for rather than just randomly picking someone because voting is compulsory. I would really regret any change to the status quo.

I request that the suburb of Wellington Point remain wholly within Council Division 1.

Lesley Grace Wellington Point 24<sup>th</sup> September 2015

Change Commissioner Local Government Change Commission – Redland City Council Redivision GPO Box 1393, BRISBANE, QLD 4001

Dear Change Commissioner,

Re: REDLAND CITY REDIVISION

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The boundary ECQ has proposed passes through the Wellington Point Village. This goes against the Electoral Commission's own Regulations which state under the Determination Report that "Communities of interest should be respected and suburb boundaries matched where practicable".

There is also a Regulation concerning centres of administration and service being considered. The proposed change splits the services of the Village in two.

In summary therefore, we strongly object to the proposed changes and would ask you to reject the ECQ's Redivision Proposal in relation to Wellington Point and retain the suburb of Wellington Point wholly within Council Division 1.

We also wish to express our concern regarding the short period of time allocated for residents to put forward their opinions on this major change. We always read the local paper and understood that boundaries were likely to be adjusted but the details only appeared this week with a closing date for comments on 28<sup>th</sup> September at 5.00 pm.

Yours sincerely,

Ben Spencer Surgen Jean Spencer

Wellington Point.

cc. Wendy Boglary

#### To whom it may concern

I live on Main Road in Wellington Point (WP) and formally object to the proposed re-division of WP which proposes to divide WP into 2. I fail to see any rational reason for the change or any benefit for the people who live and visit the area.

Residents of WP love their Village and sense of community and would feel displaced and disconnected if the area is divided. The area is represented by one federal MP, one state MP and one local Councillor. I can't see any benefit in altering that when apparently the net change to Division 1's population would be approximately 200 residents (according to the local sitting councillor). The suburb should speak as one and be represented as one by one Councillor.

Yours faithfully

Margaret B Bus (Prof Acctg) Dist, M Fin Plan, Comm Dec

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Margaret Franklin & Associates Financial Planners 25/09/15 Change Commissioner Local Government Change Commission- Redland City Council Re-division GPO Box 1393, Brisbane, QLD 4001

Dear Change Commissioner,

RE: REDLAND CITY RE-DIVISION

I am absolutely astounded by the proposed Electoral Boundary change for Wellington Point. To divide Wellington Point in this way would be the worst possible thing, not just for the residents but for business people in the Wellington Point Village, like myself.

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### 25<sup>th</sup> September 2015

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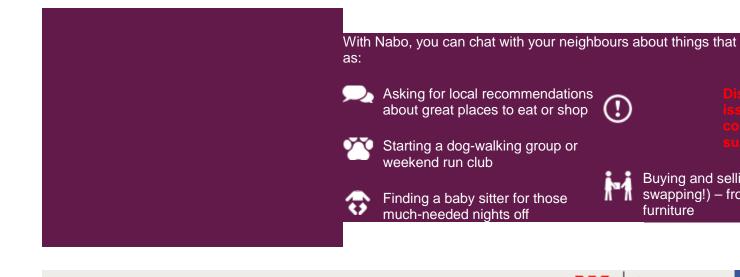


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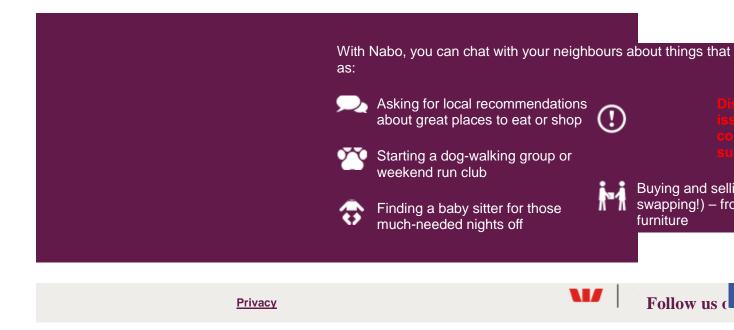
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# Change Commissioner,

As concerned residents of No. 9 Main Road, Wellington Point we would like to lodge an objection to the proposed change of boundaries affecting the current No.1 division of Redland City Council.

The strong sense of community that currently exists in and around the Village and Point precincts of Wellington Point, we feel, will be impeded if the above split to Division 1 is allowed to proceed, hopefully there is another solution that can address the issue of voting numbers.

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As retired residents in the area, we are aware that our voices are only minuscule, but we do implore you to give them some consideration.

Yours faithfully, Rudy and Julie Janssen

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27 September 2015

## 25.09.2015

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Rosemarie Gallard Wellington Point Name: Neil Gilmour

Council: Redland City

Additional Submission as Chairperson of Trinity Uniting Church Wellington Point regarding boundary between Division 1 and Division 10. It is our view that Information: the proposed boundary between division 10 and division 1 is not in the best interest of the public.

# 26<sup>th</sup> September 2015-09-26

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Malcolm Tinning WELLINGTON POINT 26 September 2015

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Geoff Graham Wellington Point, QLD 4160 Janet Williams Wellington Point Qld 4160

26 September 2015

Local Government Change Commission GPO Box 1393 Brisbane QLD 4001

# Redivision of Electoral Divisions within Redland City - Objection to Electoral Boundary changes to Division 1 of Redland City

I would like to lodge an objection to the proposed changes to Division 1 in Redland City. The proposal to split the Village of Wellington Point and move the east side of the Village together with the Point of Wellington Point including the Reserve will have a negative impact on the community.

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The Village has a thriving community and is well represented and should remain as it is currently with no changes.

Regards

Janet Williams

From:	no-reply@ecq.qld.gov.au	
То:	<u>Reviews</u>	
Subject:	Feedback Form Received from Erica Siegel	
Date:	Saturday, 26 September 2015 3:13:47 PM	

Name: Erica Siegel

Council: Redland City

Additional Information: I strongly object to boundary changes proposed for Birkdale Division 10. The northside of the hill from Burbank Rd to Collingwood Rd overlooks Thorneside and physically belongs to Thorneside I do not wish to be moved to Div. 8, the 3rd change ! Leave Wellington Point out of Div.10 keep Div. 10 as is 26 September 2015

Change Commissioner Local Government Change Commission – Redland City Council Redivision GPO Box 1393 BRISBANE, QLD, 4001

**Dear Commissioner** 

We wish to object to the proposed boundary realignment between Divisions 1 and 10 in Redland City Council, for the following reasons:

The proposed change will split the community of Wellington Point in half which we do not believe is in the public interest. Having two representatives essentially covering the same geographic area will likely cause confusion and potential conflict.

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Regards James and Nicola Udy 18/09/2015

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Wellington Point Qld 4160

Name: John conaty

Council: Redland City

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From:	no-reply@ecq.qld.gov.au
То:	<u>Reviews</u>
Subject:	Feedback Form Received from Margaret Hardy
Date:	Sunday, 27 September 2015 4:46:08 PM
Attachments:	ECQ submission.pdf

Name:	Margaret Hardy
Council:	Redland City

Additional Information: See attachment.

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#### AS LONG-TERM RESIDENTS OF 30 YEARS LIVING AT WELLINGTON POINT WE WISH TO STATE OUR STRONG OPPOSITION TO THE PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE ELECTORATE OF WELLINGTON POINT.

# WE WISH THE FOLLOWING POINTS TO BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION:-

**1.** THIS IS AN OLD WELL-ESTABLISHED COMMUNITY. THE FOCAL POINT HAS ALWAYS BEEN THE SHOPPING CENTRE, AND PARTICULARLY THE PRIMARY SCHOOL. TO SEPARATE THE NORTH THROUGH THE CENTRE OF THE SHOPS AND REMOVE THE LINK TO THE VERY OLD SCHOOL IS UNTHINKABLE. THE HISTORY OF THE EARLY FAMILIES HERE ALWAYS INVOLVED THE CHILDREN (OR KIDS!!) ATTENDING THIS SCHOOL.

**2.** THIS SUCCESSFUL COMMUNITY HAS ONLY EVER HAD ONE LOCAL GOVERNMENT MEMBER; ONE STATE GOVERNMENT MEMBER; AND ONE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT MEMBER. THIS IS HOW IT SHOULD REMAIN.

**2.** TO THE CASUAL OBSERVER OF A STREET DIRECTORY VIEW OF WELLINGTON POINT, IT WOULD JUMP OUT THAT THE MORE EXPENSIVE PROPERTIES ARE BEING SEPARATED OFF FROM THE REST OF THE ELECTORATE. IS THIS MORE ABOUT PROPERTY VALUES AND THEREFORE DIFFERENT RATE CHARGES THAN ABOUT POPULATION?

**3.** WE ARE LED TO BELIEVE THAT SPLITTING A COMMUNITY THROUGH A PUBLIC AREA SUCH AS THE SHOPPING CENTRE RUNS COUNTER TO YOUR OWN REGULATIONS STATING THAT BOUNDARIES SHOULD REFLECT HOW A LOCAL COMMUNITY HAS ALWAYS OPERATED SUCCESSFULLY IN THE PAST. WELLINGTON POINT IS NOT A NEW COMMUNITY WITH NO HERITAGE **TO BE CONSIDERED - WE ARE VERY PROUD OF THIS COMMUNITY AS IT IS AND INSIST IT SHOULD REMAIN AS IS.** 

4. WE UNDERSTAND FURTHER THAT VERY LITTLE POPULATION CHANGE WILL OCCUR WITH THIS PROPOSED CHANGE SO WHAT IS THE GENUINE NEED FOR THIS RE-DIVISION?

WE CERTAINLY OBJECT TO THE PROPOSED RE-DIVISION AND URGE THAT NO CHANGES BE MADE TO THE CURRENT BOUNDARIES.

LLOYD AND PAM CAMPBELL WELLINGTON POINT. From: Elizabeth Fleming To: <<u>redlandcitycouncilreviews@ecq.qld.gov.au</u>> Date: Mon, 28 Sep 2015 07:54:57 +1000 Subject: RE : REDLAND CITY RE - DIVISION

Dear Change Commissioner,

I wish to suggest that the division proposed for Wellington Point would not be beneficial for the community as a whole. Instability is a serious consequence of unnecessary change for individuals and a community.

For many years Wellington Point Division 1 has been a vibrant and influential part of the Redlands and an integral part of Redland City. There is strength in unity.

Division in any part of life brings disharmony, confusion and distress, and I believe the times in which we are living require much wisdom and vision when proposing change.

I ask for favour as you consider my request to leave Division 1 Wellington Point UNDIVIDED.

With thanks, Yours sincerely, Elizabeth Fleming Please find attached a submission in relation to change of boundaries for Redland City Council. For future reference please record my email address as ----.

Kind regards

Nick Turnbull

## **DIVISION 4 & DIVISION 6**

I would like to make a submission to the proposed boundary changes for Divisions 4 and 6 within Redland City.

Those proposed changes indicate removing some major retail and residential areas around Bunker Road Victoria Point. The retail area at that location forms a natural point of community interest for the residents that reside on the western side of Cleveland Redland Bay Road, including those residing along Bunker Road and at Mount Cotton which remains in Division 6.

Cleveland Redland Bay Road also forms a natural and obvious boundary to the people of that community rather than the proposed boundary further along Bunker Road. I also feel it is important for residents that share similar points of community interest, should be afforded the same Council representative and therefore the same Council Division.

I understand that the number of voters should balance that proposed by the ECQ and therefore propose the following in accordance with the statistical areas in Division 4 and 6.

- Contrary to the proposed redistribution, retain the following statistical areas in Division 4 rather than move them to Division 6;
  - o 3100929 (221 voters) and 3100930 (185 voters)
- Remove from Division 6 to Division 4 the following areas that sit alongside the areas above;
  - o 3101336 (282 voters)
  - o 3101304 S (split approximately 160 of 350 voters)
  - o 3101306 (split approximately 50 or 432 voters)

These changes will result in giving 898 voters from Divisions 6 to Division 4.

- Retain the following statistical areas currently in Division 6 and not move them to Division 4 as proposed
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  - o 3101322 (301 voters)
  - o 3101396 (447 voters)

These changes will results in giving 1,385 voters to the proposed Division 6.

This net variance of 487 is considered acceptable, especially considering that a new proposed subdivision of 267 lots that will constructed within the proposed Division 4 (around Clay Gully Road through to Brendan Way), will ultimately reduce that variance.

## **DIVISION 9 & DIVISION 10**

I would like to make a submission to the proposed boundary changes for Divisions 9 and 10 within Redland City.

I submit that the current northern most boundary of the proposed Division 9 at Jones Road, should be moved further north to take in the statistical area 3100326, which would only propose a change of 5 voters from Division 10 to Division 9. This small change allows for a more natural boundary of community open space with land that is currently in Federal Government ownership and that I am aware that Redland Council is currently considering purchasing.

This open space area naturally extends south into community open space currently in Division 9 and statistical area 3100407, and also forms a natural boundary along the waterway. It would place similar open spaces together into Division 9, rather than the current proposal that splits the nominated locations into proposed separate Divisions.

Mr Walter Van Der Mewre Commissioner Electoral Commission of Queensland GPO Box 1393 BRISBANE QLD 4001

26 September 2015

Dear Commissioner

I write with reference to the proposed redistribution of electoral boundaries in Redland City Council.

I would like to congratulate the Electoral Commission on its draft proposal, which provides a sensible and effective arrangement for divisional boundaries in the City.

I do, however, wish to draw the Commission's attention to a number of minor points which I strongly believe should be incorporated into the final redistribution. These changes will better align the boundaries with the geography and demography of the City.

Specifically, these changes relate to Division Four and Division Six within the 'new' Council, and Divisions Nine and Ten.

The ECQ's changes propose removing some major retail and residential areas around Bunker Road Victoria Point, from Division Six. The shopping centres, Victoria Point Shopping Centre and TownCentre Victoria Point, form a natural point of community interest for residents of the western side of Cleveland Redland Bay Road, including those residing along Bunker Road, and at Mount Cotton which remains in Division Six.

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Kind regards Vick McAlpine

Thornlands QLD 4164

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26 September 2015

#### Dear Commissioner

I write with reference to the proposed redistribution of electoral boundaries in Redland City Council. While I am a resident of Thornlands, I also write in my capacity as President of the Redland Bay Golf Club.

Specifically, I write in relation to changes to boundaries of Division Four and Division Six, as well as Divisions Nine and Ten.

The ECQ's changes propose the removal of Victoria Point's major retail and residential centres from Division Six. The shopping centres, Victoria Point Shopping Centre and TownCentre Victoria Point, form a natural point of community interest for residents of the western side of Cleveland Redland Bay Road, including those residing along Bunker Road, and at Mount Cotton which remains in Division Six.

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Kind regards Don McAlpine Cleveland 4163

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26 September 2015

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Kind regards

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Steve Davies Birkdale QLD 4159 28 September 2015

Mr Walter Van Der Mewre Commissioner Electoral Commission of Queensland GPO Box 1393 BRISBANE QLD 4001

**Dear Commissioner** 

I write with reference to the proposed redistribution of electoral boundaries in Redland City Council. As a resident of Gundale I often find myself utilising the services and amenities of the Redland City Council (RCC). While I live in Brisbane city, I have spent the past three years employed in Capalaba and I have a strong interest in the decisions and policies made by the RCC.

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Lachlan Crane Gumdale Q 4154

# 28<sup>th</sup> September 2015

Change Commissioner Local Government Change Commission – Redland City Council Re-division GPO Box 1393, BRISBANE, QLD 4001

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Kind regards,

**Garry Bowden** 

Wellington Point



# 28<sup>th</sup> September 2015

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Kind regards,

Julie Hull

Wellington Point



28<sup>th</sup> September 2015

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Kind Regards,

Catherine Markovitch

Wellington Point QLD 4160

From:	Cr Wendy Boglary
То:	Redland City Council Review
Subject:	FW: Proposed Redivision of Wellington Point
Date:	Monday, 28 September 2015 11:59:46 AM

**From:** Rosalind Leonora **Sent:** Wednesday, 23 September 2015 2:07 PM **To:** 'redlandcitycouncilreviews@ecq.qd.gov.au' **Subject:** Proposed Redivision of Wellington Point

Wellington Point Qld 4160

Dear Sir/Madam,

Re. Proposed ReDivision of Wellington Point

As a long-term property owner living in Beachcrest Road, I strongly wish to lodge my objection to the above proposal. I believe that a division of Wellington Point would lead to:

- A loss of sense of community
- Loss of improvements being made as councillors cannot agree
- A weakening of links

This proposed boundary line does not reflect the spirit of the community and the pattern of human activity geographically.

Please acknowledge that this objection has been lodged.

Yours faithfully,

Rosalind Wyatt.

Monday 28 September 2015

Change Commissioner

Local Government Change Commission – Redland City Council Re-division

GPO Box 1393

Brisbane Qld 4001

Dear Change Commissioner

**RE: REDLAND CITY RE-DIVISION** 

As a resident of Wellington Point for over 10 years I write to you to comment on the EQC's Re-division Proposal to divide Wellington Point in two, down Birkdale Road and Main Road.

I do not support the proposed changes as it will cause division between the divisions and Wellington Point's identity would be quite literally without "a Point".

The tourist and shopping precinct of Wellington Point Village are a desirable and tight-knit community who are very proud of their unique identity of which the Point plays a vital part. Without it there is no point! Creating unity within the community is vital and Councillor Boglary has serviced this area passionately, wholeheartedly and successfully in the past as Division 1 Councillor recognising, encouraging, valuing and enhancing the unique identity of this area.

Geographically our Wellington Point has been served with one federal MP, one State MP and one Redland City Councillor, successfully to date. To cause confusion among the divisions by dividing Wellington Point down the middle across two separate electorates, so that it becomes part of Birkdale and Thorneside loses the identity and uniqueness of Wellington Point and is simply not good ethics and not in the community's best interests. To sever the Point from Wellington Point will create disunity within the community and generates derision.

My understanding is that the proposed boundary drawn by the ECQ defies the Electoral Commission's own regulations which state that boundaries should reflect local communities, the geographical pattern of human activities and the linkages between the local communities. Dividing the voice of the community between separate councillors at its vital juncture will create confusion for the electorate. There appears to be no logical or rational thought that has gone into this proposal and only the welding of a knife through the heart of our local community.

This is an irrational boundary change that has a minimal impact on electorate numbers but a major lasting impact on the connection to community.

In summary, I OBJECT to the changes made to our suburb of Wellington Point north as part of the Redland City Council Re-division and request that the suburb of Wellington Point remain wholly and in its entirety within Division 1.

The ECQ's Determination Report states "Communities of interest should be respected and suburb boundaries matched where practicable"

Where do you draw the line? With respect, by leaving it where it was, please!

Kind regards

Janine Healy

Wellington Point QLD 4160

# B Pat Barrett REALTY

28<sup>th</sup>. September, 2015

The Change Commissioner Local Government Change Commission Redland City Council Redivision GPO Box 1393 BRISBANE, QLD 4001 (via email: <u>redlandcitycouncilreview@ecq.qld.gov.au</u>)

Dear Commissioner,

# **Objection to re-division of Division One – Redland City**

With reference to the above matter I wish to lodge my objection to the proposal to alter the boundaries as outlined in the ECQ Proposed Determination.

As a long term business operator in Wellington Point I have three matters of particular concern, namely:-

- The bi-section of the commercial hub of Wellington Point (colloquially referred to as "The Village") which occupies both sides of Main Road from the corner of Peterson Street in the South to approximately 100metres past the intersection with Christina Street in the North. The proposed map relocates the boundary along Main Road in a northerly direction from the intersection with Birkdale Road splitting the Village into two parts, east & west.
- 2. The excision of the peninsula section of Wellington Point from a point at or about the intersection of Main & Beachcrest Roads and the inclusion of that part into Division 10.
- 3. The exclusion of the residential areas East of the Three Paddocks / Sovereign Waters Foreshore Parks bounded by the foreshore in the North & Birkdale Road in the South.

With regard to:-

- I can foresee jurisdictional problems in dealing with Council / Councillors. At present we have a single Councillor whereas under the proposal there will be two and the potential for embarkation disputes is real, particularly in regard to matters that relate to the whole of the commercial precinct. The Local Government Regulation 2012 (the Regulation) states that... "the boundaries should have regard to communities of interest generally ... ensure effective elected representation ". Dividing the centre and doubling the representatives is not, in my opinion, a recipe for consensus
- 2. The proposal completely ignores matters outlined in the Regulation regarding "the geographical pattern of human activities and the linkages between (and within) local communities". If altered, the re-division will remove The Point from Wellington Point!
- 3. The residential area to the East of Three Paddocks Parkland enjoys a natural geographic association to Division One as the parkland forms a clear, open space delineation between Divisions 10 and One. There is a demonstrable linkage with the current Division One.

380 Main Road, Wellington Point Qld 4160

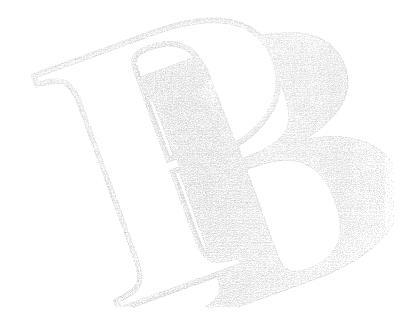
Tel: (07) 3207 2322 Fax: (07) 3822 2161 Email: admin@patbarrettrealty.com.au Cumberwick Pty Ltd ABN 47 902 984 116 ACN 010 264 203 I feel there is scope to balance the number of electors within the Division by realigning the western Divisional boundary from the intersection of Pitt Road & Tulloch Drive. Rather than follow Tulloch Drive the alignment could follow the natural overland flow path / lineal park corridor from that intersection in a roughly south-east direction to Old Cleveland Road East.

It would of course require some fettling of the Division 10 / Division 8 boundaries but there are ample opportunities to utilise natural features ( park reserves etc.) to move numbers between those Divisions without contravening the considerations espoused in The Regulations.

I would thank you for your time and consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Peter Barrett



23 September 2015

Change Commissioner Local Government Change Commission – Redland City Council Redivision GPO Box 1393 BRISBANE QLD 4001

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Lynette and Barry Kay

Wellington Point 4160

From: Pam Spence Sent: Monday, 28 September 2015 3:58 PM To: ECQ User Subject: Electoral Changes for Redland City

To whom it may concern,

I wish to object to changes proposed for Divisions 1 and 10.

I live in Birkdale and currently am in Division 10 and do not want to change to Division 8. I wish to remain in Division 10 because:

- My local councillor supports the community. I feel that I am represented in council by him.
- Birkdale's sense of community lies with Thorneside in Division 10 rather than Alexandra Hills (Division 8).

Please leave the boundaries in their current locations.

I also wish to object to the proposed change between Division 1 and Division 10. The present location of their boundary should remain as the proposed change will split a shopping village, the hub of Wellington Point. This is not in the interests of the communities of Birkdale and Wellington Point. Please keep the divisions how they were.

#### Regards, Pam Spence

I am lodging a submission to request the ECQ to reconsider their proposal to divide the northern section of Wellington Point into two divisions. There is a strong sense of community radiating from the Village, the commerce centre This proposed new boundary change runs through the Village lessening the unity of the Traders and local residents The ECQ own determinations for boundary changes states the connectivity and interests of community have to be considered. This is an irrational change for change sake and I will be urging the ECQ to leave the boundary in its present location in the interest of strengthening communities

From:	Gabe Scattini
То:	Redland City Council Review
Subject:	Redland City Council review
Date:	Monday, 28 September 2015 5:03:13 PM

Dear Change Commissioner,

As a resident of Wellington Point for the last 10 years I very much value the community of interest here and the representation by Redland City Council.

However please note that I strongly object to the ECQ redistribution which divides wellington point in ways that are not in the public interest. The change does not make any sense whatsoever to the community and will make it very difficult for us as residents to know who represents our interests and why. My house in Douro Road suddenly will be represented by a Birkdale Councillor, when thew house has been in the family at Wellington Point for over 60 years. This is neither practice; I nor sensible. Birkdale Road is NOT an identifiable boundary for our community. wellington Point is known to extend from the tip of the point, Erobin, in the north to Old Cleveland Road in the south, and then half way down to Birkdale in the west. Your proposal doesn't follow any logical geographical boundaries, nor nor our sense of community, nor thew delivery of services and budget from Redland City Council in a fair and equitable way to our neighbourhood.

Please do NOT divide wellington Point the way you have proposed.

Thank you.

Gabe Scattini

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In summary I OBJECT to the proposed changes and request that Wellington Point remain wholly within Council Division 1.

From a VERY concerned resident of the Redlands, regards

Sian Griffiths

Wellington Point

From:	Dunn-Coves
To:	Redland City Council Review
Subject:	Wellington Point Submission.
Date:	Tuesday, 29 September 2015 8:40:09 AM

#### 28/9/15

Change Commissioner Local Government Change Commission – Redland City Council Redivision GPO Box 1393, BRISBANE, QLD 4001

Dear Change Commissioner, RE: REDLAND CITY RE-DIVISION

I write to comment on the ECQ's Re-division Proposal to divide Wellington Point north in two down Birkdale Road and Main Road. I do not support these changes for the reasons outlined below.

Wellington Point has a strong sense of community and connection to their Village which has made the area very desirable and a destination place of locals and visitors. This is an irrational boundary change that negatively impacts the connectivity of the community. The ECQ's Determination Report says," Communities of interest should be respected and suburb boundaries matched where practicable." I ask you to respect this principle in Wellington Point's favour, given there are better alternatives for the Commission to achieve the required outcomes.

I do not support these changes for the reasons outlined below.

Firstly, Wellington Point in this geographical area has always been represented by one federal MP, one state MP and one Redland City Councillor. Your proposal will cause there to be an 'eastern' Wellington point Village and a 'north western' Wellington Point represented by two different councillors. As residents, our voice is always stronger when we can speak as one. Splitting the suburb will dilute the voices of the Wellington Point community causing confusion with two representatives.

Secondly, the boundary ECQ has proposed is inappropriately drawn through our Wellington Point Village which is against the Electoral Commission's owns regulations which states boundaries should reflect local communities, the geographical pattern of human activities and the linkages between local communities. There is also a Regulation concerning centres of administration and service being considered. This proposed change splits the services of our Village in two.

Lastly, the changes are unnecessary- the net change in Division 1's population is approx. 200 residents.

In summary, I OBJECT to the changes made to the suburb of Wellington Point north as part of the Redland City Council Re-division and request that the suburb of Wellington Point north should remain wholly within Council Division 1.

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Wellington Point

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# proposed boundary realignment for electoral area Division 6 Redland City submission

I would like to propose the following changes to the proposed boundary of Division 6 Redland City.

The proposal to remove the commercial and residential area around Bunker Road from Division 6 strips the division of the only commercial, retail and employment hub within the area and an area which is central to the community of Division 6, this area provides a social and economic centre to the Division and I propose that a variation to the proposed boundary changes be made to ensure that this area is not removed, or at least is not entirely removed from the proposed Division 6.

In support of this submission I propose the following changes:

1. Relocate from proposed Division 6 to Division 4 the following SA1 numbers:

- a. <u>3100929</u>
- b. <u>3100930</u>
- c. <u>3101304</u>
- d. <u>3101336</u>

2. Relocate from proposed Division 4 to Division 6 the following SA1 numbers:

a. <u>3101303</u>

b. 3101306 (in its entirety or if split, north/south with north being within Division 6)

- c. <u>3101318</u>
- d. <u>3101322</u>
- e. <u>3101305</u>

I further propose the following.

Propose that the northern most boundary of the proposed Division <u>9 currently on Jones</u> <u>Street</u> be moved north to take the statistical area <u>3100326</u> in to the proposed Division 9 area. This small deviation from Davidson Road north along Old Cleveland Road and then turning West along the northern boundary of area <u>3100326</u> which takes in the northern boundary of the Hewston Golf Course and follow the creek line back to meet the city boundary with Brisbane. There are no voter impacts from this change which provides a change of only 5 voters in area <u>3100326</u> away from proposed Division 10 and into proposed Division 9.

Regards john talty mt cotton 4165

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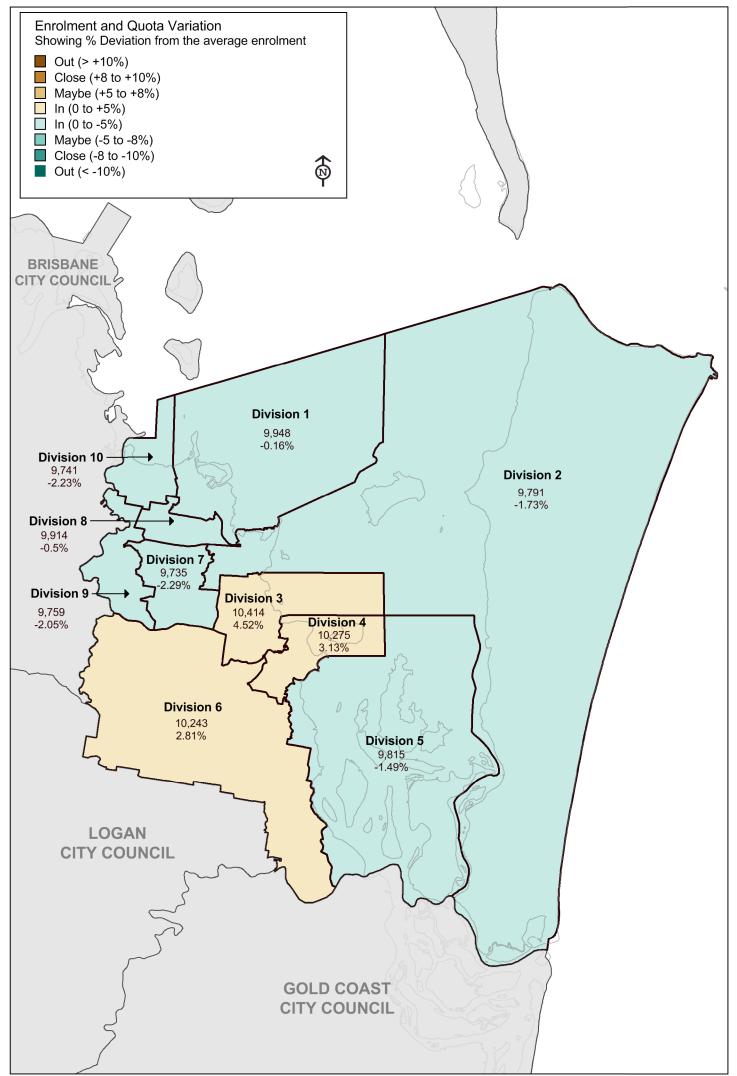
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**Joe Branagan** JJR

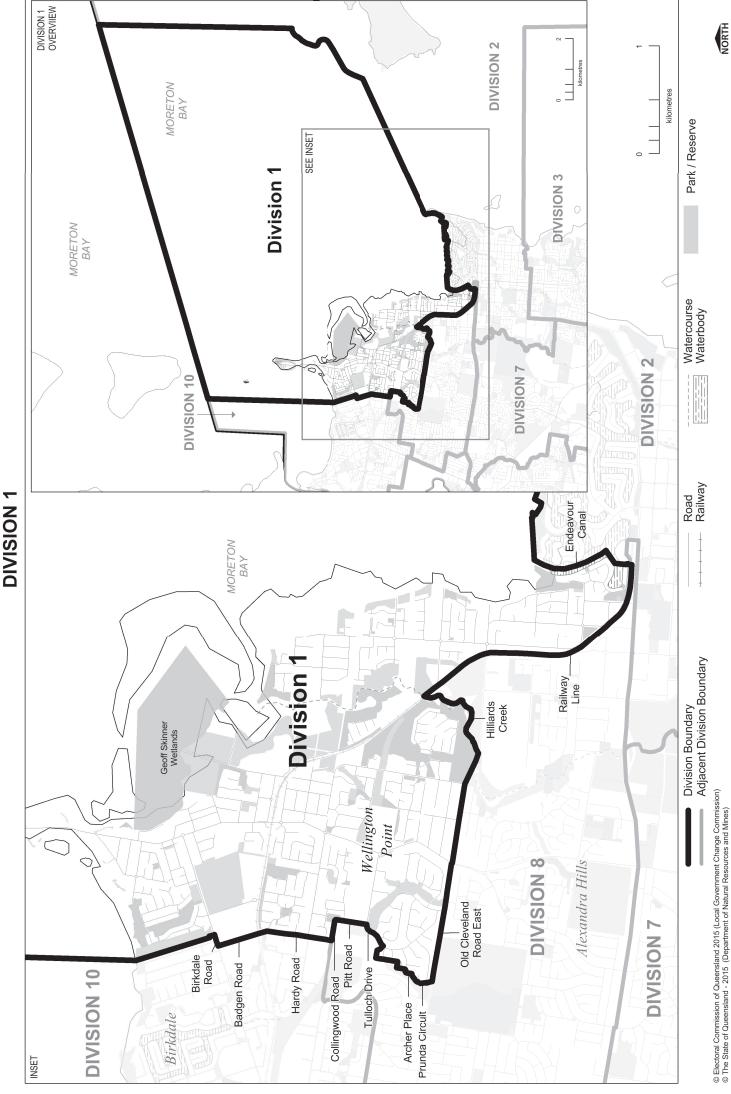
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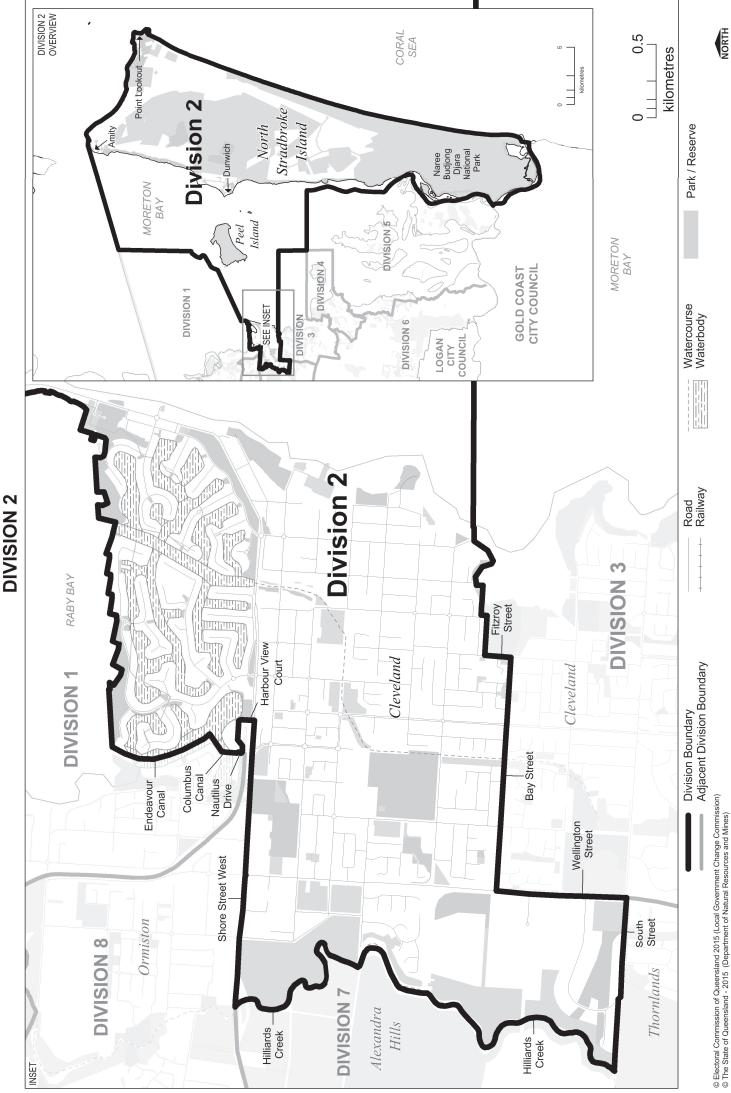
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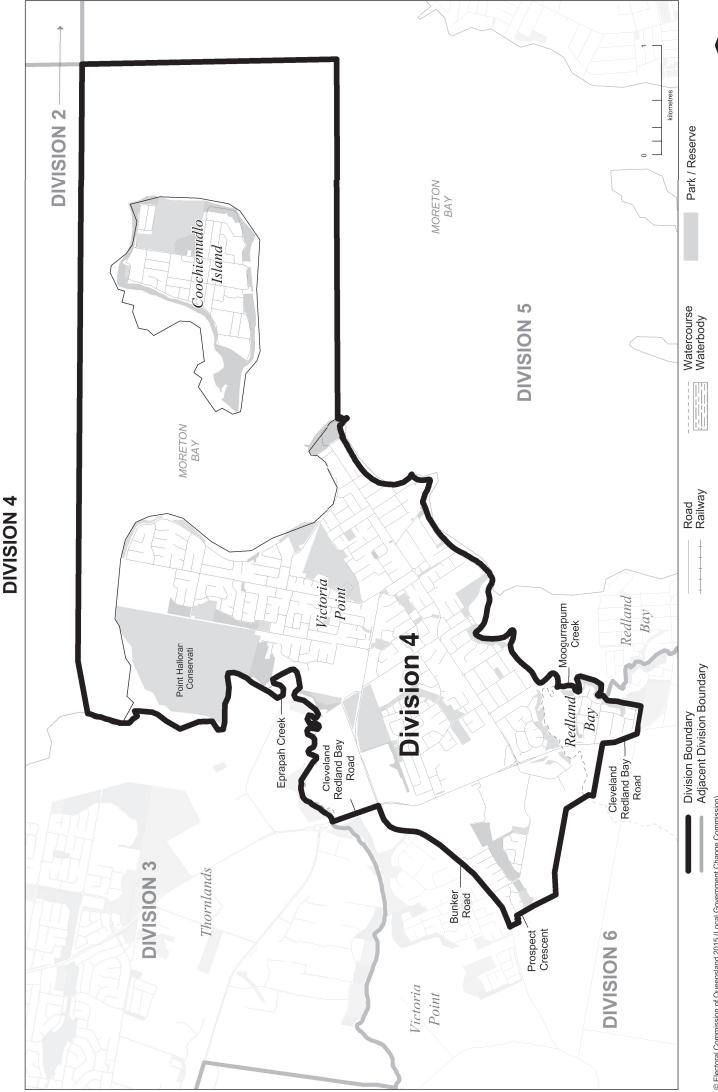


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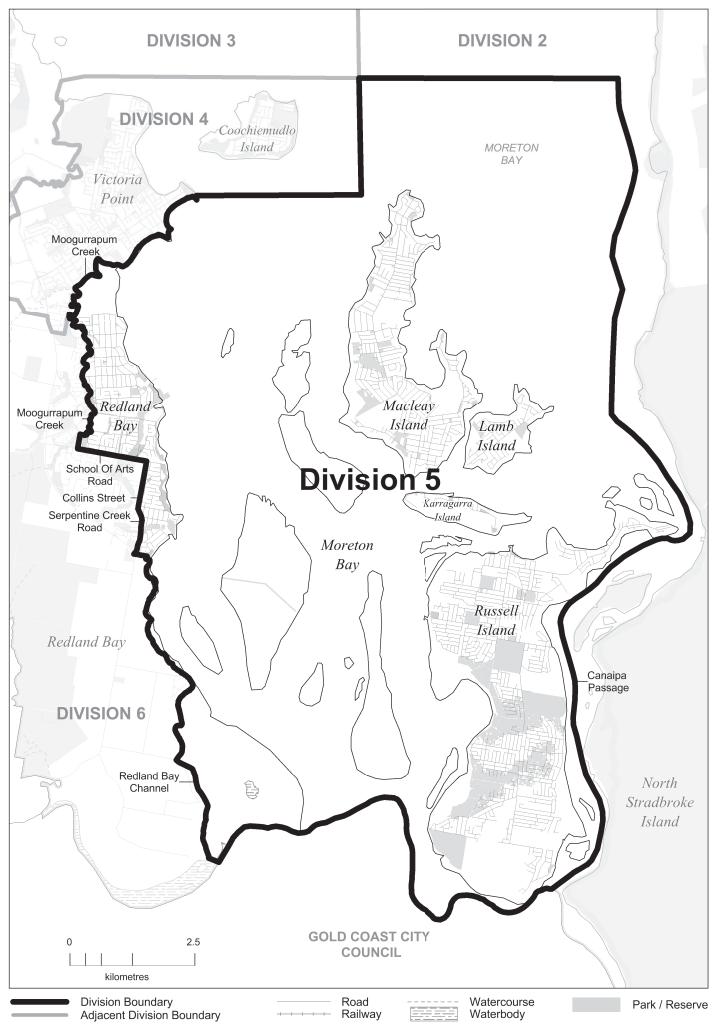
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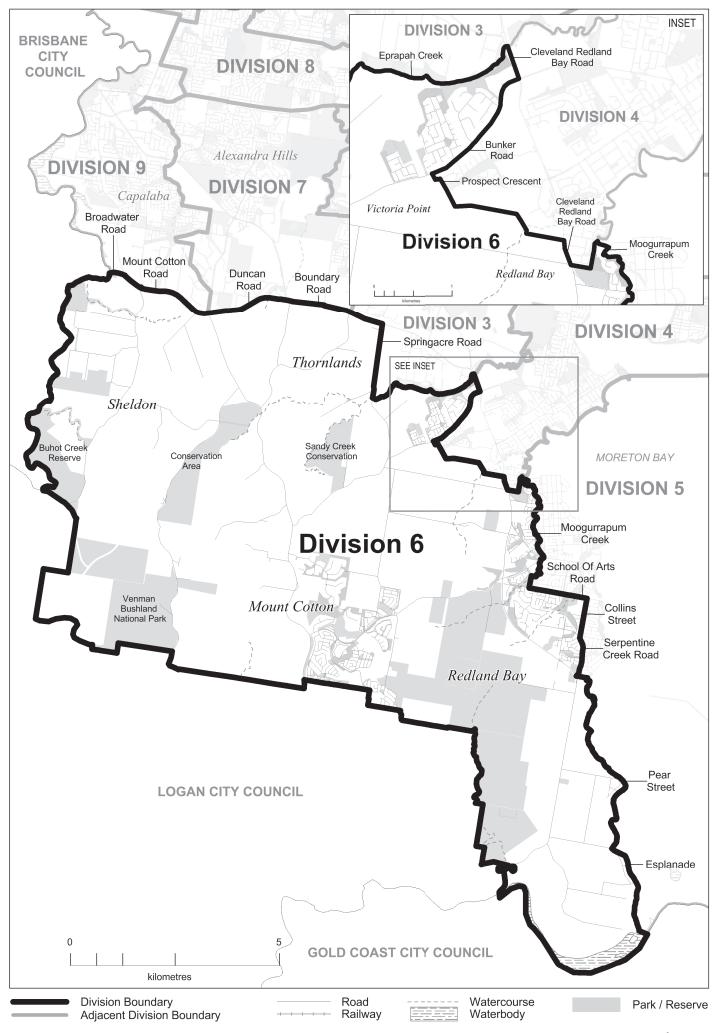
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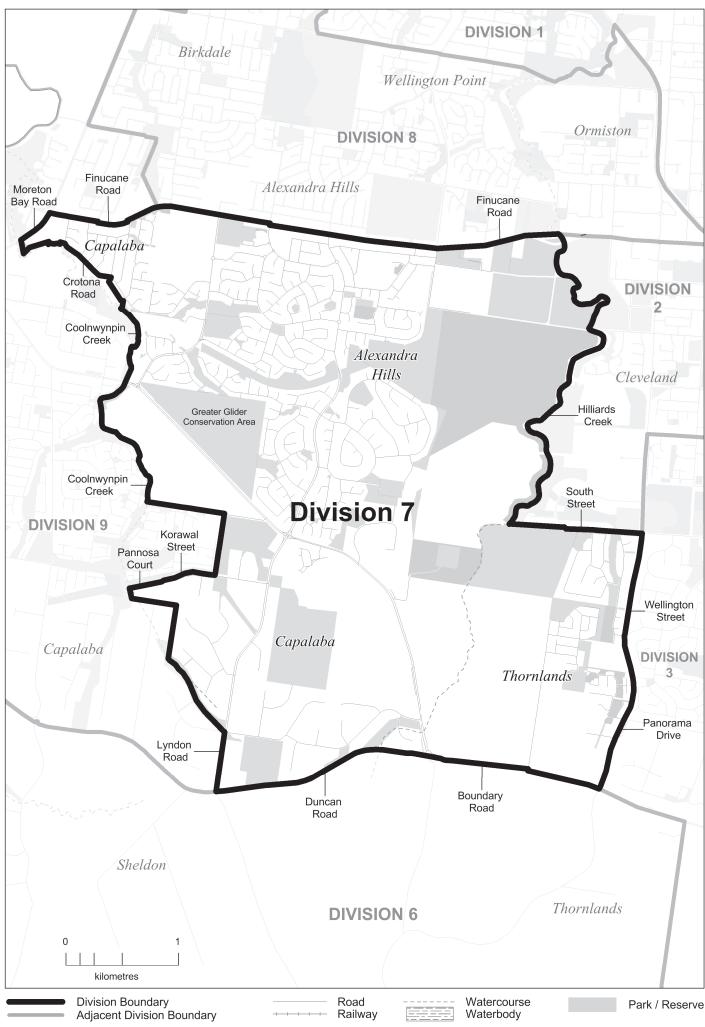


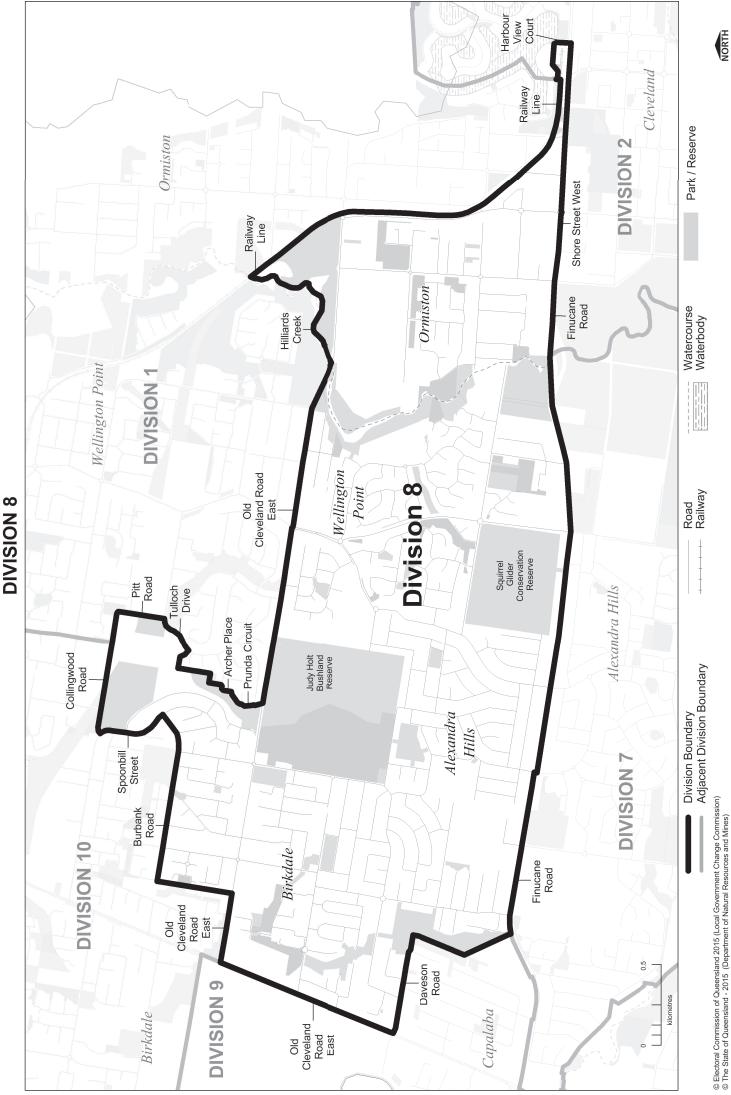
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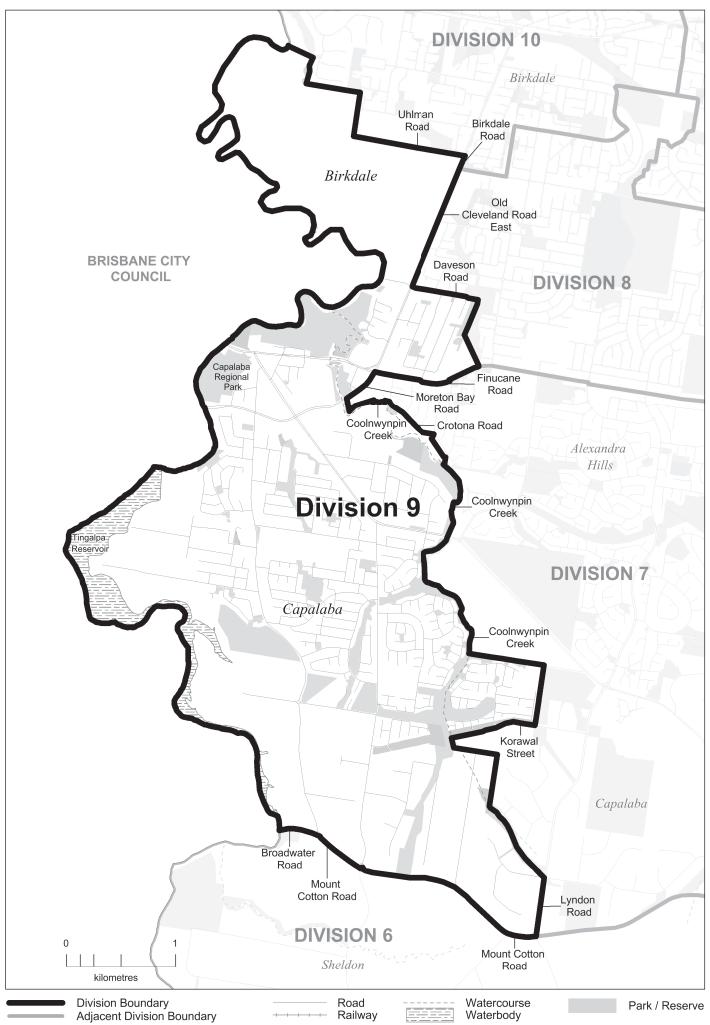
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