

APPENDIX D

**Comments on Proposal Notice &
Public Submissions**

LOCAL GOVERNMENT CHANGE COMMISSION

Divisional Boundary Review of Redland City Council

The Redland City Council advised its electoral divisions no longer meet the voter enrolment requirements set down in the *Local Government Act 2009*. As a result, the Minister for Local Government has referred the matter to the Change Commission for independent assessment.

The Change Commission has proposed changes to the Council's internal boundaries (divisions) following a period of public suggestions.

INVITATION FOR COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSAL

Comments on the Change Commission's proposal will be accepted until 5pm on 9 September 2019. Late submissions cannot be considered.

To view the proposal and make a submission, please see the Electoral Commission of Queensland's website: <https://ecq.qld.gov.au/lgr/redland> or phone 1300 881 665.

When making a comment, please remember each division must have relatively the same number of voters (quota) to ensure each person's vote has the same value. The quota for the Redland City Council is 10,841 with a lower limit of 9,757 (-10%) and an upper limit of 11,925 (+10%).

Comments can be lodged through:

- Online Form

<https://ecq.qld.gov.au/lgr/redland>

- Email

LGCCsubmissions@ecq.qld.gov.au

- Personal Delivery

Electoral Commission of Queensland
Level 20, 1 Eagle Street, BRISBANE QLD 4000

- Post

Local Government Change Commission
GPO Box 1393, BRISBANE QLD 4001

Submissions will be made available for public inspection. To discuss any privacy concerns, please phone 1300 881 665.

Pat Vidgen PSM

Electoral Commissioner

List of Public Comments on the Proposal
Divisional Boundary Review of Redland City Council

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- 1 Callen Sorensen Karklis
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From: Callen Sorensen Karklis
Sent: Saturday, 24 August 2019 6:43 PM
To: LG CC Submissions
Subject: Fw: Proposed Divisional Changes: ECQ

Dear Electoral Commission Qld

As a resident of Cleveland, division 2.

I agree with most of the proposed changes to the division 2.

However I think it should be considered and re - evaluated with regards to not including the businesses around the Cleveland Industrial area, beyond Weippin street.

Enterprise St still has many businesses in it which can still be regarded as in the suburb of Cleveland, especially to many local residents.

Kind Regards

Callen Sorensen Karklis



From: Cr Murray Elliott
Sent: Tuesday, 27 August 2019 3:03 PM
To: LG CC Submissions
Subject: Redland City Council Proposed Divisional Boundary Changes

I would like to congratulate the ECQ on the above changes. It clearly indicates you have listened to both the community and the councillors on the ground suggestions and I fully support those changes been implemented in the near future.

Cr Murray Elliott
Division 7 – Alexandra Hills, Capalaba and Thornlands
Redland City Council



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From: Eveline Fennelly
Sent: Wednesday, 28 August 2019 8:59 AM
To: LG CC Submissions
Subject: Submission to boundary change for Division 6 to Division 9

Local Government Change Commission

The proposal to incorporate an area west of and including Taylor Road through to Springacre Road currently in Division 6 into Division 9 is a good positive fit.

However, the Sheldon area might be better served by leaving the area within Division 6.

Thank you
Eveline Fennelly

From: Cr Paul Golle
Sent: Monday, 2 September 2019 2:25 PM
To: LG CC Submissions
Subject: Division 3 Redland City Changes

To whom it may concern.

I support the proposed changes made to Division 3 in Redland City as tabled.

My primary concern however is for the residents who require information to be supplied on the changes urgently.

The people of Redland city deserve effective leadership and so it is vital that these changes happen quickly and efficiently or risk creating confusion and upset to the community.

Respectfully

Cr Paul Golle

Division 3 | Thornlands | Southern Cleveland
Redland City Council



I acknowledge the traditional custodians of the lands and seas where I work. I pay my respects to Elders, past, present and future.

From: Cr Wendy Boglary
Sent: Wednesday, 4 September 2019 2:30 PM
To: LG CC Submissions
Cc: Cr Wendy Boglary
Subject: Electoral Boundary changes Division 1 Redland City Council

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

Dear Change Commissioner

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

I understand the reasoning behind the changes and in basically agree with the changes.

The areas 301610 and 310603 with a combined population of 435 and consisting of the blocks between Plumer and Starkey Streets with Old Cleveland Road East to the South, I feel should remain in division 1. This gives clearer boundaries to the divisions and as the population is negligible I thought this change would be possible. If it leads to changes to other divisions than I accept the change.

The western area of Wellington Point which has been removed I understand is to achieve more equal population targets throughout all the divisions.

**Warm regards,
Cr Wendy Boglary**

Division 1 – Wellington Point and Ormiston
Redland City Council



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From: Cr Lance Hewlett
Sent: Thursday, 5 September 2019 12:19 PM
To: LG CC Submissions
Subject: Redland City Council Electoral Boundary Changes. Division 4

Dear Elise,

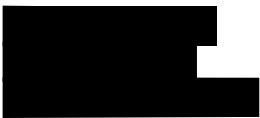
I write to indicate my full support for the proposed boundary changes to the electorate of Division 4, Redland City Council and also for all proposed changes to all divisions across Redland City.

Thank you for the opportunity,

Cr Lance Hewlett

Deputy Mayor

Division 4 | Victoria Point | Redland Bay | Coochiemudlo Island
Redland City Council



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From: Cr Tracey Hugues
Sent: Friday, 6 September 2019 7:35 AM
To: LG CC Submissions
Subject: Redland City Council - Review of Divisional Boundaries

Mr Pat Vidgen and Mr Wade Lewis,
Local Government Change Commission,

Thank you for the opportunity to review the Proposed Determination for Redland City Council Divisional Boundaries in the lead up to the 2020 Local Government elections and provide my comment to the Change Commission.

I have followed the process closely and feel that the proposed changes reflect the initial suggestions that were provided by the community and I can see that the Commission has listened and responded in a positive manner.

The proposed not only improves the numerical spread of elector numbers across all 10 divisions but also improves the geographical manner in which the City suburbs fit within Divisional Boundaries.

I am pleased to recognise the efforts of the Commission in their efforts to ensure that these proposed boundaries provide the community of Redland City a level of certainty into the future.

I wholly support the 2019 Proposed Determination and hope to see the changes fully included into the Commission's Final Determination Report to the Minister, including the changes that effect my current Division 8 and the proposed Division 8 boundaries, with particular regard to Ormiston moving from Division 8 back to Division 1, this small suburb needs one Councillor, the past 4 years has seen enormous confusion amongst residents as to who their Councillor was, both Cr Wendy Boglary Division 1 and myself were continually dealing with this issue of mistaken identity and misunderstandings and for Cr Boglary who had previously been their Councillor for 8 years it has been a challenge.

With regard to Division 8 moving back into Capalaba, that makes enormous sense with families from that particular section of Capalaba attending Birkdale South State School and Birkdale Baptist Church both of which I have a very high profile and many of the residents already come to me and presumed I was their Councillor, I believe this transition of moving Division 8 into Capalaba will be seamless.

With thanks,

Cr Tracey Hugues

Division 8 | Birkdale South | Alexandra Hills North | Ormiston | Wellington Point
Redland City Council



Sent: Sunday, 8 September 2019 6:49 PM
To: LG CC Submissions
Subject: (5464) Redland City Local Government Area - Stephanie Meggitt

Online submission for **Redland City Local Government Area** from **Stephanie Meggitt**

Submission Details

Name: Stephanie Meggitt

Submission Text : I live at [REDACTED] and feel that the few mainland residents of the proposed Division 5 are now being disadvantaged by being placed with the SMBI islands. The SMBI islands should have their own councillor and division as their issues are quite different to those of the mainland.

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Sent: Monday, 9 September 2019 11:52 AM
To: LG CC Submissions
Subject: (5492) Redland City Local Government Area - Malcolm and Barbara Armitage

Online submission for **Redland City Local Government Area** from **Malcolm and Barbara Armitage**

Submission Details

Name: Malcolm and Barbara Armitage

Submission Text : We very much oppose the change to electoral boundary for Division 5 in Redlands City Council. Being islands they are relatively isolated from mainland Redland Bay. The SMBI now are massively populated compared to the now tiny boundary which includes my area in Redland Bay. The competition between the islands for services has always been great and aggressive. We believe we will be overlooked by both service by our councillor whose concentration for votes will be to the islands, and therefore services. Thank you for your consideration.

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Sent: Monday, 9 September 2019 11:55 AM
To: LG CC Submissions
Subject: (5493) Redland City Local Government Area - Adelia Berridge

Online submission for **Redland City Local Government Area** from **Adelia Berridge**

Submission Details

Name: Adelia Berridge

Submission Text : I am in favour of the divisional changes of Redlands.

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Sent: Monday, 9 September 2019 2:11 PM
To: LG CC Submissions
Subject: (5500) Redland City Local Government Area - Alison Laing

Online submission for **Redland City Local Government Area** from **Alison Laing**

Submission Details

Name: Alison Laing

Submission Text : The Islands in Redland City Council are so significantly different and unique from the mainland wards it is fundamentally important that they have a unique representative. These islands, Coochiemudlo, North Stradbroke, Lamb, Karragarra, Macleay and Russell Islands, have more than enough residents to make up one ward. Currently they are represented by 3 Councillors whose major or significant responsibility is to mainland residents. The mainland residents have entirely different needs to island residents - including lack of sewerage, severe bushfire risk, much lower socio-economic base, unmade roads and having to have everything, including themselves shipped by water transport. Not one of these things impacts on Mainland Residents so the Councillors are constantly conflicted in providing representation. Ideally these islands should have their own council separate from the RCC. We need at least one councillor who represents our needs 100% to have any hope having our needs met. Thank you.

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Sent: Monday, 9 September 2019 3:41 PM
To: LG CC Submissions
Subject: (5512) Redland City Local Government Area - James PERRY AXFORD

Online submission for **Redland City Local Government Area** from **James PERRY AXFORD**

Submission Details

Name: James PERRY AXFORD

Submission Text : I would suggest that the Bay Islands form an electoral division of their own and that Redland Bay become part of Ryan.

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Sent: Monday, 9 September 2019 4:29 PM
To: LG CC Submissions
Subject: (5514) Redland City Local Government Area - Amy E Glade

Online submission for **Redland City Local Government Area** from **Amy E Glade**

Submission Details

Name: Amy E Glade

Submission Text : I approve of the boundary changes to Redland City

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From: Cr Paul Bishop
Sent: Monday, 9 September 2019 4:59 PM
To: LG CC Submissions
Subject: Redland City Council Boundary Review (and Division 10 Issues)

Dear Change Commissioner,

Regarding Redland City Council's Division 10, I wish to offer my unreserved support for your proposed determination (as per below).

After a very contentious and alarming change that took many Redland City residents by surprise in 2015, I want to thank you for reflecting subsequent community views and for adhering to common sense regarding the reinstatement of the large parcel of Commonwealth Lands and the Howeston Golf Course into Division 10, as the area have both historically been understood to be an important part of the history and geography of Birkdale for over 100 years.

With the proposed boundary review, Division 10's Birkdale North and Thorneside now sensibly remains within natural geographic boundaries to the North (up to Waterloo Bay), South (along Jones Road, Old Cleveland Road East), East (Including Tarradarrapin Creek, Hardy/Badgen Road, Up to 3 Paddocks Park) and West (along the banks of Tingalpa Creek).

Divisionally, I also agree with the south/western extension up to and including Tarradarrapin Creek/Sunnybay Drive, as this area contains a connected neighbourhood within Birkdale that naturally joins and allows voter numbers to be within the appropriate range.

Thank you for ensuring that both Howeston Golf Course (and their 5 residents' endorsement) as well as the Birkdale Commonwealth Lands to remain within Division 10.

Redland City Wide:

In general, I am very happy with the overall proposal for Redland City Divisional Boundaries and I would ask that any other proposed changes are considered in accordance with sensible criteria, geographic boundaries. Based on previous shocks that were revealed in the 2015 Final Determination Report, I certainly discourage any further significant changes that are not in accordance with strategic planning, common sense or community consensus.

As mentioned above, I particularly endorse the following:

"2019 PROPOSED DETERMINATION

REDLAND CITY COUNCIL

Division 10

The proposed Division 10 boundaries have expanded south to gain additional parts of Birkdale north of Jones Road and Old Cleveland Road East from Divisions 8 and 9.

In doing so, this has increased enrolment in the Division and accommodated community feedback requesting the Birkdale Commonwealth land and Howeston Golf Course be returned to Division 10.

The proposed Division has 11,292 voters which is 4.16% above average and is predicted to have 11,814 voters by 2024 which would be 1.94% above average."

Regards,

Cr Paul Bishop

Division 10 | Birkdale North | Thorneside