## **APPENDIX C**

Suggestions Notice & Public Submissions

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT CHANGE COMMISSION Divisional Boundary Review of Rockhampton Regional Council

The Rockhampton Regional Council has 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.

### **Enrolment Requirements**

Each division of the Council is required to have relatively the same number of voters (quota) to ensure each person's vote has the same value. The quota for each division of the Rockhampton Regional local government area is 7,734\* with a lower limit of 6,961\* (-10%) and an upper limit of 8,507\* (+10%).

For more information and enrolment statistics please see the Electoral Commission of Queensland's website: www.ecq.qld.gov.au/electoral-boundaries/lg-reviews/DBRs or phone 1300 881 665.

## INVITATION FOR WRITTEN SUGGESTIONS

The Change Commission now invites suggestions regarding the divisional boundaries for the Rockhampton Regional Council. Submissions will be accepted until 5pm on 13 May 2019. Late submissions cannot be considered.

## Submissions can be lodged through:

- Online Form (preferred)
   www.ecq.gld.gov.au/electoral-boundaries/lg-reviews/DBRs
- Personal Delivery (Mon Fri 9.00am 5.00pm)
   Electoral Commission of Queensland
   Level 20, 1 Eagle Street
   BRISBANE QLD 4000
- Email LGCCsubmissions@ecq.qld.gov.au
- 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

<sup>\*</sup> Please note: The enrolment figures in this notice have been amended after spatial modelling, resulting in a slight modification to the average, upper and lower limits of the quota.

# Divisional Boundary Review of Rockhampton Regional Council List of Public Suggestions

## **Suggestion Name / Organisation**

- 1 Michelle
- 2 Melanie Dansie
- 3 Tony Cullen
- 4 Steve Ensby
- 5 Rockhampton Regional Council

**Sent:** Monday, 29 April 2019 10:07 AM

**To:** LG CC Submissions

**Subject:** (78645) Rockhampton Regional Local Government Area - Michelle

Online submission for Rockhampton Regional Local Government Area from Michelle

#### **Submission Details**

Name: Michelle

Regional Council because we are closer to Rockhampton than Yeppoon and use it's amenities, parks, shops, businesses and restaurants. It makes no sense for our estate to be park of Livingstone as I barely travel down there. Have never once been to their library, parks, or dump. We get no perks or consideration during planning or infrastructure improvements.

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**Sent:** Monday, 29 April 2019 12:44 PM

**To:** LG CC Submissions

**Subject:** (78648) Rockhampton Regional Local Government Area - Melanie Dansie

Online submission for **Rockhampton Regional Local Government Area** from **Melanie Dansie** 

## **Submission Details**

Name: Melanie Dansie

**Submission Text**: Nil boundaries **File Upload**: No file uploaded ()

**Sent:** Monday, 29 April 2019 6:19 PM

**To:** LG CC Submissions

**Subject:** (78653) Rockhampton Regional Local Government Area - Tony cullen

Online submission for Rockhampton Regional Local Government Area from Tony cullen

## **Submission Details**

Name: Tony cullen

Submission Text: Makes sense that we have changed boundaries as Rockhampton is the city of the region and

residents from Glenlee and Caves want to be part of Rockhampton

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**Sent:** Monday, 6 May 2019 7:08 AM

**To:** LG CC Submissions

**Subject:** (78690) Rockhampton Regional Local Government Area - Steve Ensby

Online submission for Rockhampton Regional Local Government Area from Steve Ensby

## **Submission Details**

Name: Steve Ensby

**Submission Text**: Mt Morgan should not be lumped with Parkhurst. Its crazy our rep is so far away!

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232 Bolsover St, Rockhampton
Gracemere Office
1 Ranger St, Gracemere
Mount Morgan Office
32 Hall St, Mount Morgan

09 May 2019

Mr Pat Vidgen PSM Local Government Change Commission Electoral Commission Queensland GPO Box 1393 BRISBANE QLD 4001

Dear Mr Vidgen

### Re: Internal Boundary Review

I write with reference to the above matter. It is important to note that Councillors from Rockhampton Regional Council have delegated this review to myself so as to maintain an arm's length position from any perception their submission could influence yourself to their benefit.

That being said Council also resolved that my submission should be based on the premise that while there is a need for some major realignment of the internal boundaries this should wait until the completion of the external boundary review. Subsequently my submission should be based on minimum disruption for the electorate until such time the external review is complete.

On this basis and acknowledging that there will still be some disparity between divisions potentially until the 2024 local government elections I recommend the following:

- SA1 3122004 transfer from division 4 to division 5
- SA1 3121018 transfer from division 4 to division 6
- SA1 3121611 transfer from division 6 to division 5
- SA1 3121605 transfer from division 6 to division 5
- SA1 3121606 transfer from division 6 to division 5
- SA1 3121308 transfer from division 1 to division 2

I would like to thank you for the opportunity to contribute to this review. Should you wish to discuss this submission please contact Deputy CEO, Ross Cheesman.

Pursuant to Part 2 of the Local Government Act 2009, Council has reviewed each of its electoral divisions to assess the reasonable proportion of electors in each division. This review has concluded that divisions 2 and 4 are both out of guota.

Whilst not a requirement of this review, Council resolved that it will retain divisional boundaries.



Should you require any further information please feel free to contact Deputy CEO, Ross Cheesman on \_\_\_\_\_\_.

Yours sincerely



Evan Pardon Chief Executive Officer Rockhampton Region Council