



**The Federal Redistribution 2003  
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## SUGGESTION

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TO THE  
REDISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE FOR QUEENSLAND, (7th floor)  
488, QUEEN STREET,  
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QLD 4000

Dear REDISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE,

I wish to strongly voice my opposition to the area of my small farm in Worthing Road Victoria Point becoming part of another electoral division; and indeed none of my neighbours that I have recently spoken to wish to change.

My area has always been an integral part of VICTORIA POINT. It has always been a special part of the Redlands. I believe that if my part was added to another boundry it would be because our area was being marginalised and as owners of small land holdings we have nothing in common with Capalaba or the Islands or indeed Cleveland where the majority of voters are on small housing blocks and our needs would be ignored. The integrity of making such a change would be in question.

I voted for PETER DOWLING. I would never have voted for COUNCILLORS Townsend or Bowler. They have shown no concern for the wishes and wellbeing of the small landholders here, the former councillor wrote what I considered at the time to be a vindictive letter to the Bayside Bulletin: not at all in keeping with my perception of how any councillor should conduct affairs. It certainly doesn't encourage people living in the electorate and brings into question the suitability of certain councillors.

Peter Dowling has learned about the landowners' needs and is always available to discuss things which bother us. He has changed earlier perceptions that he had after listening to his constituents. I understand that he spent his earlier life on a farm and has an understanding of our present anxieties over:

1 valuation rises and reduced quality of peace and quiet of rural life. (burn-outs late at night, parties etc)  
2 we have large animals (including a limousin bull!) and flower farm electric cabling near to shopping centre (about a quarter of a kilometre) and small lot housing along the creek: a danger for children and people.

3 There is insufficient land to make a living from it on blocks which were part of an earlier subdivision,  
4 we are getting older and want to move on with our lives.

5 The chicken farmers would have to implement expensive new protocols within the next few years to meet the new chicken industry regulations. They don't want to spend their money on small blocks so near to the Victoria Point Centre and want to leave the chicken industry.

Yet we are constantly ignored.

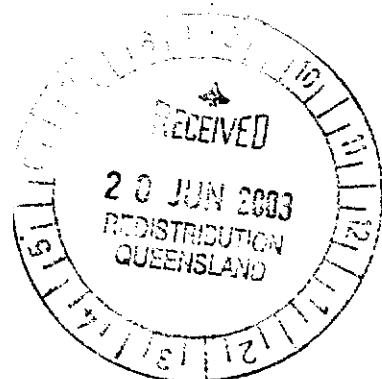
6 We are tired of having our views run ruffshod over by the Land Planners and part of Redland shire Council that is unwilling to accept change. We are tired of being told what to do and how high to jump. Peter Dowling is one of the councillors who understands this and tries to sort things out for us.

I have lived on my farm in Worthing Road for over thirteen years. I wish my area to remain within the Victoria Point boundary. My councillor Peter Dowling also lives in Victoria Point and I don't want someone representing me who lives in Capalaba or somewhere else.

Yours faithfully,

KATHLEEN E. CREES *Signature*  
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