

# **COMMENT ON OBJECTIONS**

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## **Comment on Objections Number 27**

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To the AEC Commissioners



Re Parkes and Calare Electorates.

I would ask that the AEC to re-consider their position in relation to the draft Calare and Parkes Electorates.

I suggest that Mudgee be taken out of the proposed Calare Electorate and put into the Parkes Electorate and that Parkes and Forbes Shires be put back into the proposed Calare Electorate. This would not affect the numbers very much although it would also be good to have Condobolin in the Calare Electorate too.

I think that the community of interest would be better served having Parkes and Forbes joined in a seat covering Lithgow through to Orange, Parkes and Forbes. Similarly, there is more of a community of interest for Mudgee to be joined to the proposed Parkes seat.

Whoever becomes the Member for each seat will have difficulty covering these large areas effectively. The proposed changes mean that there would be at least some reduction in road travel times, and therefore provide us with better representation.

Further, as a Parkes resident, I think I would be expressing the majority of Parkes Electors views that the proposed Parkes electorate name should revert back to the name of "Gwydir" or some other appropriate name and the proposed Calare electorate name should be renamed "Parkes".

Regards

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