## **OBJECTION**

The Federal Redistribution 2009 NSW



## Objection Number 81

by

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DEAR SIR/MS

RE: PROPOSED ELECTORAL REDISTRIBUTION OF BUNDEENA & MAIANBAR TO THE FEDERAL ELECTORATE OF CUNNINGHAM.

I AM WRITING TO REQUEST THAT THE VILLAGES OF BUNDEENA & MAIANBAR REMAIN IN AN ELECTORATE MORE CLOSELY ASSOCIATED WITH SYDNEY CITY, RATHER THAN WOOLONGONG.

OUR AREA HAS FEW HISTORICAL OR SOCIAL TIES TO THE WOOLONGONG AREA, BEING PHYSICALMY SEPARATED FROM THERE BY THE ROYAL NATIONAL PARK & MANY SMALL COASTAL TOWNS.

QUE MAIN PUBLIC TRANSPORT LINK IS BY FERRY TO CRONULLA of THEN TRAIN TO SYDNEY CITY. PRIVATE BUS TRANSPORT IS WITHIN THE SUTHER LAND SHIRE. BY CAR IT IS APPROX. 30 MINUTES TO SUTHERLAND - TO TRAVEL TO WOOLDNGONG WOULD BE A MINIMUM OF ONE HOUR BY CAR. NO DIRECT PUBLIC TRANSPORT TO WOOLDNGONG EXISTS.

WE ARE SERVICED BY SYDNEY SOUTH-EAST, HEALTH SERVICES & SYDNEY HOSPITALS & MEDICAL, DENTAL ETC SERVICES WOULD BE SOURCED MOSTLY FROM SUTHERKAND AREA & SURROUND SOUR PROXIMING TO SYDNEY MEANS THAT ENTERTAINMENT,

BANKING, AIRPORT, POLICE ETC. ARE ALL SYDNEY ORIENTATED.

OUR POSTCODE IS THE SAME AS CRONULLA & WE ITAVE SYDNEY LOCAL TELEPHONE SERVICES.

BUNDERNA & MAIANBAR HAVE A TOTAL POPULATION OF AROUND 3000 WITH LITTLE PROSPECT OF SIGNIFIGANT POPULATION INCREASE (WE ARE 'LANDLOCKED' FROM EXPANSION BY THE ROYAL NATIONAL PARK). WITH A VOTING POPULATION OF AROUND (?)1500, THE REDISTRIBUTION WOULD MAKE LITTLE ELECTORAL DIFFERENCE BUT WOULD MAKE ACCESS TO OUR FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVE DIFFICULT

IN SHORT, OUR AREA SHOULD BE MORE ALIGNED TO AN ELECTOR ATE WITH WHICH IT SHARES A COMMONALITY OF INTERESTS & ASPIRATIONS.



YOURS FAITHFULLY HELEN VOGT

BUNDEENA/MAIANBAR HISTORICAL SOCIETY