



The Federal Redistribution 2009
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Objection Number 433

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Dear Committee Members

With respect to the Proposed Redistribution of Federal Electoral Boundaries in Queensland we write to object to the proposed changes to the boundary defining the Division of Lilley.

Specifically

The boundary change as proposed will separate the communities of Sandgate and Boondall that over an extended period have developed a close affinity. These communities have developed a range of shared interests and activities that have been, and are, recognised by the Queensland Government. For example through the name of the Sandgate District State High School.

An exemplar of shared interest, concern and activity is the high level political and environmental input of the wider Sandgate community – suburbs of Brighton, Deagon, Shorncliffe, Boondall, and Sandgate - within the current Division of Lilley resulting in the dedication of the Boondall Wetlands.

The proposed boundary change will sever an even wider community of interest that has developed within the current Division of Lilley with respect to the construction, extension and ongoing reconfiguration of the Brisbane Airport, and aircraft operation in respect of it. The Brisbane Airport and all of the communities, including Brighton, Sandgate, Shorncliffe and Deagon, affected by it and its related aircraft operation to the north of the Brisbane River need to remain within the Division of Lilley. Brighton, Sandgate, Shorncliffe and Deagon under the proposed redistribution would be transferred to the Division of Petrie. Efficient decision making process relative to Brisbane Airport north of the Brisbane River requires that these communities relate with and are represented by the Member for Lilley.

The interests, and separation of the Sandgate and Redcliffe communities has long been recognised by the Queensland Government through its definition of the local authority boundary – the Pine River.

The proposed transfer of Sandgate, Shorncliffe, Deagon and Brighton to the Division of Petrie is not considered to be in the best interests of the inclusive Sandgate community. With respect to the above submissions, and study of the map of the proposed Division of Petrie, these Brisbane suburbs are in danger of becoming the rump of the Petrie Electorate.

Thank you for the opportunity to make this submission.

Yours faithfully

Handwritten signature of Roslyn D. Hutchison.

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19 August 2009

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