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As a resident of Shorncliffe, I dissociate myself from the objection of my local Councillor, Victoria Newton. I agree with her on many issues but not this one. The concept of "community of interest" is a somewhat nebulous one. It has real meaning with respect to small local communities, but gets more nebulous as the distance increases. I would find it amazing if Shorncliffe were ever to be put in a different electorate from Sandgate, but I am not sure that my suburb has any greater community of interest with Nundah or even Boondall than with the Redcliffe Peninsula. Indeed, considering the issues of fishing regulation and sea-level change, we may well have a closer community with the Redcliffeans than the Nundahites. I suggest that the proposed boundaries of Lilley and Redcliffe make a lot of sense. I will be somewhat sad to lose "Swannie" as my federal member, but liking the local member is not a relevant consideration in drawing boundaries, and I'm sure we will all get used to being represented by Ms D'Ath anyway.

Regards

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