



# Objection 199

## Alexandra Park Project

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Martin Scanlon

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Dear Sir/Madam

Re – Proposed change to Dunkley boundaries.

I have lived in the Mornington area all my life – since 1975. We are a Mornington family and love the area.

My father lives in Mornington.

I represent Alexandra Park project. A not for profit organisation with a task to redevelop 275 main St, Mornington for the benefit of the community.

I have served on many sporting committees in the past 30 years.

I was treasurer for the Frankston Community Youth Support Scheme assisting unemployed people in Frankston obtain employment and employment skills.

I write to you to object to the changes to the Dunkley Boundary changes proposed.

The proposed change seems to be change for change sake. It has been altered merely as a consequence of changes to regions around it. Hardly a good reason for change.

See your reason below from your report

*For the information and minimum number of electors in all electoral divisions at the proposed time:*  
242. While the Division of Dunkley is within the numerical requirements of the Electoral Act, its proximity to several electoral divisions which exceed the legislatively permitted number of projected electors has resulted in consequential changes to its proposed boundaries.

The boundaries have been established for many years and the proposed changes seem to not assist the community and its constituents at all.

Both Baxter and Mornington have a strong connection to both Mt Eliza and Frankston and should be retained in Dunkley.

Baxter is affected by this change and needs to be considered to be retained in the Dunkley area. The proposed extension of the rail line to Baxter to connect this town to the Dunkley area seems to have not been considered within the boundary discussion. The means of communication of travel have not considered the proposed Rail extension and its importance as a logical reason to keep Baxter within Dunkley. In addition the Peninsula link as another physical feature and mode and transport connecting the people of Dunkley with Baxter has not been considered.

Mornington has a strong connection to the areas of Mt Eliza and Frankston. By putting Mt Eliza in Dunkley on its own without any consideration of its social, economic and transport connections to Mornington does not make sense.

Bus lines travel between the towns, Nepean Highway goes through these towns. The towns are socially connected via the local sporting groups that play each other. They are melded together over a hundred years.

Carrum Downs, Sandhurst and Skye have very little connection with Dunkley in a transport and social sense. There is no logic to this change except to push people between boundaries without consideration of the social impact of connecting areas together that do not relate to each other on a social or geographic basis. It has long been considered that the towns of Frankston, Mt Eliza and Mornington have a strong social and economic connection assisted by the strong transport links between the towns.

Mornington should be kept in Dunkley.

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