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Australian Electoral Commission

Objection to proposed boundary changes to the seat of Dunkley

Dear Sirs,

I wish to state my objection to the proposed alterations to the seat of Dunkley.

I particularly object to the removal of Mornington from the seat. There is a natural area of interest and utility connecting Mornington, Mount Eliza and Frankston which should not be split into separate electorates. I think that also applies to parts of Seaford.

Although Mornington does look partly to the rest of the Mornington Peninsula it also looks very strongly to Frankston for public transport, shopping and the arts. Mount Eliza and Mornington act to a large extent as dormitory suburbs to Frankston, and I believe they should remain in the same electorate.

The same does not apply, in my opinion, to Carrum Downs, Sandhurst and Skye, which look more strongly to Dandenong, and I think their proposed inclusion in Dunkley is unwarranted.

I hope you will consider my objection seriously. I strongly believe that the inclusion of Mornington and the excision of Carrum Downs, Sandhurst and Skye will provide a much more logical connection of areas in the one electorate. I believe that this grouping succeeds in passing your stated test to "keep together or improve existing communities of interest" which the proposed redistribution fails.

With thanks for your attention,

Yours faithfully,

Paul Curtis