

Liberal Party of Australia
(Victorian Division)

Objections to Draft Boundaries Submission

on behalf of the

Liberal Party
of Australia

to the

Augmented Electoral
Commission for
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Dear Sirs,

I enclose the Liberal Party's suggested enhancements relating to the draft boundaries proposed by the Redistribution Committee for Victoria.

The Liberal Party has no objection to the general nature of the changes to electoral boundaries proposed by the Redistribution Committee. We accept that what was pursued was an outcome that neither favoured nor disadvantaged any political party or group in an obvious manner. All the changes certainly respect the need to maintain approximately the same number of electors in each Division, and for the most part seek to enhance community of interest to existing boundaries.

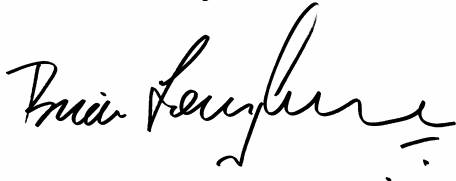
Our suggested enhancements have been gathered from a variety of sources. We have continued to consult widely with local government, local businesses and other pertinent community groups regarding the Redistribution Committee's draft boundaries in an effort to establish a clear picture of the opinions of those affected. It is their comments and enhancements that comprise the bulk of this submission. We believe that doing this presents the augmented Electoral Commission with an accurate picture of community attitudes toward the proposed boundary changes.

Our suggested enhancements are not intended to be critical of the Redistribution Committee's work, but rather reflect the views we have been able to obtain from local residents and community groups in each Federal Division concerned.

What follows is a summary of the changes, which we believe should be made to enhance both the structure of Divisions and improve community of interest within them. We have not suggested alterations to every Division, and for the most part the enhancements are small, yet represent significant issues for those people residing in them.

If the need for further information arises, we would be pleased to provide this in either written or oral form.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brian Loughnane". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent initial "B" and a long, sweeping underline.

Brian Loughnane
State Director