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# Objection 54

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Re: Objection to proposed boundary changes for Epping Community

FAO AEC,

I am writing to object to the proposed boundary changes to the Bennelong electorate. My main objections relate to the dividing of the Epping community and the close ties and alignment the community has with Eastwood.

The Epping community has suffered for years with being divided into three separate LLCs and its development has been piece-meal as a result. We now have one side of Epping town centre being developed by Hornsby council and the other side falling into disrepair. Whilst this is not a federal issue, having one MP that can speak up for Epping as a whole has started to make a difference. I feel if Epping is split into three LLCs and two federal electorates, this will make our town a very difficult (almost impossible) place to have any holistic strategic plans. As one of the major travel interchanges in Sydney, Epping should have more cohesive government oversight.

Secondly, our community is beautifully multi-cultural. This we share with our Eastwood and Marsfield neighbours. There is enormous amounts of interaction between these three communities and we share plenty of commonality when it comes to what we require as representation from our government, not as much as with our northern neighbours in Berowra electorate. The M2 acts as a natural boundary for our community and my opinion is that this would also be a good electoral boundary for all the reasons above.

Thank you for considering my objections.

Kind regards,

Caroline Edwards