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I would like to ask some questions about the announcement.

Why did it take so long to make the announcement?

- Comments on objections closed on 10 April.
- Subsection 72(2) says that consideration of objections is to be finished before the expiration of the period of 60 days after the close of objections.
 - So this consultation should have been completed by 9 June.
- The inquiry into objections was held on 30 April.
- Subsection 72(10) say that as soon as practicable after concluding consideration of objections, a proposed redistribution should be made and an announcement made.
- Why has it taken so long to make a proposal and announce it? It's not as if you made a lot of changes to the Redistribution Committee boundaries.

Isn't a redistribution both the names and boundaries of electorates? Can you actually exclude half the redistribution in saying whether it's significantly different or not, particularly as some of the electors who will be in a different electorate are only because of a name change and not a boundary change.

Why haven't you included maps showing your proposed electorate boundaries? It was done in the last Tasmanian redistribution when they decided their proposal was significantly different to the Redistribution Committee. Strangely though, they seem to have to been removed from the website, suspicious.

You need to be more careful about how you word things.

- You said you considered 3 alternative names, being Mathinna, Jessie Spink Rooke and Woureddy.
- This suggests you didn't consider:
 - Amy Sherwin
 - Nan Chancy
 - Enid Campbell
 - Bill Casimaty
 - Winnifred Curtis
 - Neil Davis
 - Emily Dobson
 - Harold Gatty
 - Vanessa Goodwin
 - Guy Green
 - Leonard Huxley
 - Arthur Long
 - Geoff Miller
 - Fanny Cochrane Smith
 - Jean Walker

- Or any of the other names which I have not listed as Darren Sweeney has ruled them out and he at least seems to have read and considered the objections.

Doesn't the Electoral Act require you to consider all objections?

It's looking like you made up your mind the electorate should be named for an Aboriginal person and weren't prepared to consider anything else.

I also agree with the comments of Darren McSweeney re naming a division LANE, MANNALARGENNA, MATHINNA or TONGERLONGETER which seem to be suggested as an early colonial-era Aboriginal person that we know the name of. This is hardly a significant contribution to Australia.