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To Victorian Redistribution
Secretariat

Australian Electoral Commission

I am writing this submission to voice my concern about what I perceive will be the result of the proposed change to the Electoral Boundary between Warrnambool and Ballarat.

The delineation of the Western Boundary of Ballarat is far from clear, but we, and our neighbours similarly affected, were distressed to find that the boundary had been drawn down the centre of the Kismoie - Pittong Road at the last State Election. This newly drawn boundary cut us off from the rest of our rural community of Mannibadar, where previous boundaries had always followed the Shire boundary and where our back fence is on the lane which is the westernmost edge of the Golden Plains Shire - formerly Grenville Shire.

As lifelong residents we have always felt disenfranchised by the fact that State, Federal, and since Shire amalgamations - Shire representatives were never closer than a minimum of 70km, while our social, commercial and media connections are to Ballarat - 48 kms. away.

If the Pittong - Kismoie Road is to be the boundary, then surely all properties with the road as the address should be included in Ballarat, or indeed revert to the former →

practice- of using the established Shire boundary.

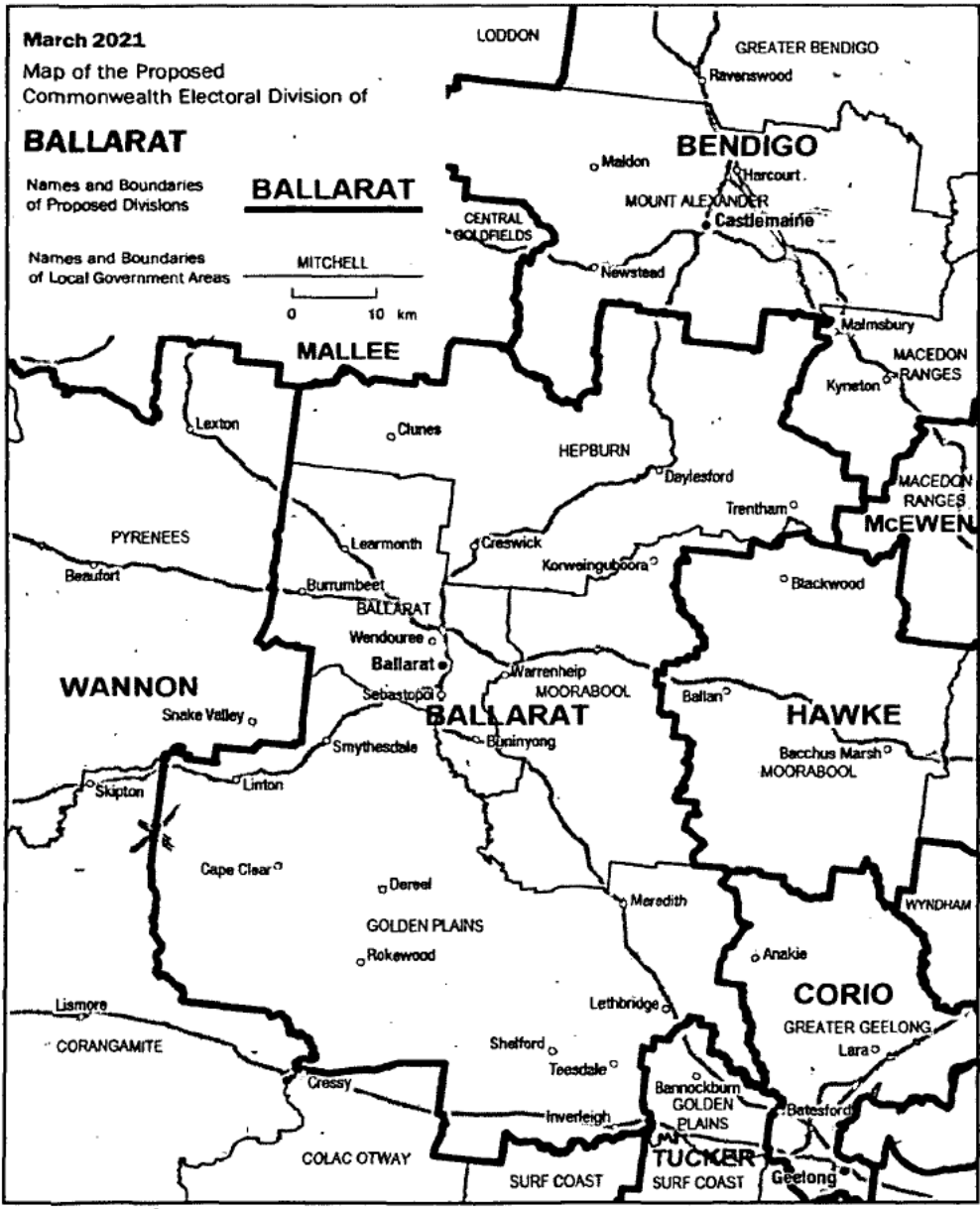
Yours faithfully

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AS THE wedding industry scrambles to meet massive demand after months out of action, celebrant Kate Ritchie-Sexton wants to help couples achieve another is-trend - supporting local.

Ms Ritchie-Sexton has launched Ballarat Wedding Collective as a one-stop base for couples to plan their wedding with Ballarat-based creative services for their special day.

She intends for the website and social channels will be complementary for businesses to participate for as long as possible. The reasons are two-fold: help spare couples the overwhelming "nightmare" and hours spend in wedding planning; and, more chance for Ballarat businesses to be seen.

"From couples' perspectives, they're in a scramble to find services and businesses are in a scramble to get seen," Ms Ritchie-Sexton said. "The idea is for local people can spend money locally and generate growth in the Ballarat economy. It's also a platform for lots



SHARING: David Bailey (David Bailey Photography and Train Collective founder Kate Ritchie-Sexton and Matty Chaps (m

of small business and sole traders who still do valuable work in the wedding scene but might not have the advertising dollars...My goal has been to do this and fund it myself because I thought

about what I could do to help give a boost to the industry. I was in a position and I had the time for what I had to do to get it together."

More than 160 Ballarat wedding businesses and



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