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Hi Nicole

Thank you for your email. I attached an Apple Pages document to my initial email, which it seems you were unable to open. I now copy the contents of that document into the email below. Hopefully this will be considered by the Redistribution Committee.

Regards Glen

09 November 2023

Redistribution Committee for NSW AUSTRALIAN ELECTORAL COMMISSION

Redistribution Committee,

Re: Submission for the redistribution of the Division of Warringah

Please find below my comments in relation to the potential redistribution of the Division of Warringah.

I am currently a long term resident of Manly, having lived in the Manly State electorate, and Warringah Federal electorate for over 35 years. I currently live at Manly where we have lived for over 12 years. My spouse and 2 adult children live with me at this address. Before moving to Manly over 35 years ago, I grew up in Henley which was at the time part of the Bennelong electorate.

I understand that the Warringah electorate will need to expand slightly to maintain its status as an electorate under proposed redistributions by the AEC. To satisfy this requirement, I believe it would make sense for Warringah in the south to expand south westwards as far as the Warringah freeway at Neutral Bay and Kirribilli, and expand northwards to encompass the whole of Dee Why up to Dee Why lagoon. Both the Warringah freeway and the Dee Why lagoon represent natural geographic barriers for the electorate of Warringah.

We also share a significant community of interest with the other parts of the Warringah electorate, as well as the proposed extension areas:

- 1. The main public transport corridor of Pittwater rd from Dee Why, which runs into Spit rd across the Spit Bridge and then into Military rd through Mosman, Cremorne and Neutral Bay, inextricably link these communities. Transport decisions or road improvement decisions in this corridor affect us all.
- 2. The communities of Dee Why, Curl Curl, Harbord, Manly, Mosman, Cremorne, Kirribilli and Neutral Bay all identify with similar "village" lifestyles with similar community related issues, bordered by the harbour and/or the coast.
- 3. There is also a community of interest around public education which binds these communities. For example our son, who started primary school at Manly West PS, attended the opportunity school at Neutral Bay PS before he attended Manly Selective High School at Curl Curl. Our daughter who also attended Manly West PS subsequently attended Mosman High School. Many other parents who live in the local Manly area have shared in this fantastic public education experience across the Warringah (and proposed expanded Warringah) electorate.
- 4. Sporting ties also provide close bonds across the Warringah electorate. The single largest participation sport across the electorate for both males and females is football. Having managed my son's football teams at Manly Vale FC to U18 level, and having played over 35s football for Curl FC myself, the vast majority of the football matches were played by my son and me across the Warringah electorate up to Dee Why, including regular games against Mosman FC at Mosman Oval, Georges Heights Ovals, Middle Head Oval and Balmoral Park.
- 5. I also note that my daughter played field hockey until the end of her high school years for Warringah Hockey Club. The majority of their games were played at Frank Gray oval at Curl Curl and included teams from Mosman Hockey Club, amongst other teams in the Warringah electorate.
- 6. Manly, Mosman, Cremorne, Neutral Bay and Kirribilli all border Sydney Harbour. We all share similar public ferry service issues which are unique to this region in Sydney, particularly in accessing the Central Business District of Sydney via the gateway at Circular Quay. These public and private ferry services provide for a major daily commute for a significant

- number of workers and students across these areas. Indeed this was my main form of commute to the city for the 35 plus years I worked in the city until my retirement last year. It has also been the main commute for my children while they have attended Sydney University. I know that a large number of people as far north as Dee Why are also reliant on the ferry services from Manly to Circular Quay for their daily commute, so public transport issues are shared across the Warringah (and proposed expanded Warringah) electorate.
- 7. Sydney Harbour also provides another significant community of interest for the local sailing and rowing communities. As a regular sailor over the last 35 plus years, I have at various times been a member of Middle Harbour Yacht Club on the Mosman side of the Spit Bridge (where our kids learned to sail and I sailed Adams 10 metre yachts), and Manly Yacht club and Manly Skiff Club where we are currently members and regular sailors. We also regularly sail competitions out of Royal Sydney Yacht squadron at Kirribilli in the proposed extended Warringah electorate. Further, Mosman Rowing Club also has facilities at Spit Bridge to access the waterways west of the Spit Bridge, as well as having its main Mosman Rowers Clubhouse on the Harbourside near Mosman Bay Wharf.

The current Warringah electorate, expanded slightly both north and south west as recommended, really does represent a unique harbour and coastal environment with significant shared community interests which deserve its own separate electoral representation.

Should you have any questions in relation to this submission please do not hesitate to contact me.



On 10 Nov 2023, at 9:00 am, FedRedistribution - NSW <FedRedistribution-NSW@aec.gov.au> wrote:

Good morning Mr Butler,

Thank you for taking an interest in the redistribution of NSW. Unfortunately, we have not received anything other than the text of your email. I would note that your submission has not been submitted to us as a document.

If you have some ideas you would like the Redistribution Committee to consider, can you please submit them as a document or as text in an email.

In the guidelines available on the AEC website at www.aec.gov.au/Electorates/Redistributions/guidelines-for-submissions.htm the following advice is provided:

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Your ideas will need to be submitted to <u>FedRedistribution-NSW@aec.gov.au</u> or using the form upload on the AEC website at:

https://www.aec.gov.au/Electorates/Redistributions/2023/nsw/index.htm by 6pm tonight.

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Regards

Glen

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