



The Federal Redistribution 2009
QUEENSLAND



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on Public Suggestions**

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From: Editor Western Cape Bulletin [editor@westerncapebulletin.com.au]
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To: QLD Redistribution
Subject: re: the redistribution for Leichhardt

Dear Sir / Madam

I am concerned that a party that is not in power in either electorate involved, the LNP, would be making suggestions as to the redistribution of an electorate that they do not serve.

What is there motivation for doing this? It certainly does not come from a mandate of the people in either electorate.

The service centre and administration hub for the Cape York and Torres Strait region is Cairns not Mt Isa or the southern Gulf area.

Mr Katter is an independent for Kennedy and has no contact or history with this part of the world. His base would be so big in area it would be impossible for him to service it all thoroughly and I understand that he struggles with the area he has now.

Currently Leichhardt is serviced well by the current member, given that growth has now virtually stopped in this region and in fact there is an exodus of people from Cape York and Torres Straits , the figures of people enrolled in the region would almost defiantly be down from the ones in 2007.

I for one would like to see the electorate remain the way it is for the time being as the region would be serviced far better by the current Member for Leichhardt Jim Turnour than a rogue maverick from the bush.

Yours sincerely

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