



Further objection number 5

Donna Sargent

Subject: Relocation of the Municipality of Mander Valley in its entirety in the proposed Division of Lyons.

To the Redistribution Secretariat,

I wish to lodge my objection to this latest proposal to include all of the Meander Valley Council into the electorate of Lyons.

As a resident of Prospect Vale for over 50 years I strongly object to being moved from Bass into Lyons.

My postcode is the same as the majority of Launceston, being 7250 therefore I have always viewed Prospect Vale as a suburb of Launceston, we are far from being a rural town and therefore have vastly different needs.

Rural towns across Tasmania are in far greater need for ease of access to services due to their location, Prospect Vale residents utilise services located in Launceston, which means elected representatives have differing issues of importance that they focus on. I have never accessed services (outside of rubbish collection and local infrastructure maintenance) in the municipality of Meander Valley.

We shop in Launceston, we go to pools in Launceston, our children go to schools in Launceston (Prospect Vale and Hadspen do not have any schools), we are predominately involved in clubs etc that are located in Launceston, and take our other waste to the Launceston tip. We are required to access Federal government services in Launceston and have the same needs as the rest of Launceston.

Until recent years, Hadspen was predominately in the electorate of Lyons, the last redistribution put it in Bass; I personally never understood why a street or two in Hadspen and Travellers Rest were in Bass during that time.

I would like to suggest that the proposal be based more in line with post code district rather than municipality. If all of the 7250 postcode area was left in Bass, this would provide ability to relocate Hadspen and Travellers Rest, 2 growing areas of Meander Valley into Lyons.

Regards Donna Sargent