Appendix 3 – *Text provided by the Australian Bureau of Statistics*

Conversion of Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) Population Projections to Enrolment Projections

The Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) have calculated projections of the population of Australian residents aged 18 years and over for each Statistical Area 1 (SA1) starting with a base at 30 June 2015 annually through to 30 June 2022. To allow baseline comparison with latest electoral roll counts, interpolation was used to derive 6 January 2017 population. The 27 September 2021 population projections were also calculated by interpolating between 30 June figures.

For most SA1s it was assumed that the proportional relationship between electoral enrolments and resident population aged 18+ will continue. Accordingly, the population projections were converted to enrolment projections as follows:

P_{2016} = ABS projection of residents aged 18 and over at 6 January 2017
P_{2022} = ABS projection of residents aged 18 and over at 27 September 2021
E_{2016} = Enrolled persons at 6 January 2017
E_{2022} = Projected enrolled persons at 27 September 2021
$E_{2022} = (E_{2016} / P_{2016}) * P_{2022}$

For example, a Statistical Area 1's figures may be:

$P_{2016} = 479$
$P_{2022} = 493$
$E_{2016} = 363$

$E_{2022} = (363 / 479) * 493$
$= 374$

Some SA1s with very high growth have low enrolment to population ratios due to lags in occupancy and/or change in enrolment address. These ratios were adjusted upwards as the lags work out over time, adjusting to the degree necessary to maintain the overall State enrolment ratio.

Where a SA1 crosses existing electoral boundaries, the projected enrolment has been allocated to electoral divisions in the same proportion as current enrolments.

In a minority of SA1s where enrolments were greater than the baseline population projection, it was assumed that electoral enrolments will grow by the same amount as the population of Australian residents aged 18 and over, ie:

$E_{2022} = E_{2016} + (P_{2022} - P_{2016})$

For example, a Statistical Area 1's figures may be:

P_{2016} = 1,125
P_{2022} = 1,390
E_{2016} = 1,192

E_{2022} = 1,192 + (1,390-1,125)
= 1,457

Thereafter the Redistribution Committee may amend the enrolment projections for certain SA1s based on specific local knowledge of the area.