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## Casey Coastal Villages

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## CASEY COASTAL VILLAGES

[Tooradin, Cannons Creek, Warneet and Blind Bight]

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To whom it may concern,

The residents of these small villages on the northern coast of Western Port Bay wish to submit a small change to the proposed electoral boundaries of Flinders and Holt (on the grounds of 'community of interest')

We wish to submit that the northern boundary off Flinders be extended around the northern coast of Western Port Bay.

This area, is contained in the State Government's "Western Port Green Wedge", which is designed to preserve this area for agriculture, environment reserves and some service industries.

The Green Wedge policy was first introduced by the Hamer Government (responsible Minister - the late Hon. Alan Hunt MLC) and has been supported by all governments of either persuasion ever since.

Because this area is mainly preserved for agriculture, the population is not anticipated to increase.

It has much in common with the agricultural areas of the Mornington Peninsula in Flinders (vegetable growing and grazing industries) and particularly with the west coast of Western Port Bay. This is both because of it's environmental sensitivity and it also includes tourism and recreational facilities.

The area has little community of interest with the suburban areas in Holt from Clyde north towards Lyndhurst

The proposed additional area would stretch from Cardinia Creek in the east (the boundary between the City of Casey and the Shire of Cardinia) west via Manks Road to the Five Ways Junction. From there south to Five Ways, down Fisheries Road to the Baxter Tooradin Road and then west to the Dandenong - Hastings Road (the proposed westerly boundary of Holt.)

The environment of the western coast of Western Port Bay is protected by a number of coastal reserves such as at Cannons Creek, Blind Bight, Warneet and Tooradin and also includes the nature reserve of Quail Island. The area between Quail Island and Cannons Creek is covered by a Ramsar Reserve and just south of Quail Island is the Yaringa Marine National Park.

Along the coast from Hastings to Tooradin, there are recreational ports, boat launching ramps and harbours for small craft at Hastings, Yaringa, Warneet, Blind Bight, Cannons Creek and Tooradin.

Supporting these recreational and tourist facilities, there are caravan parks at Hastings,

Yaringa and Tooradin.

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We believe this small addition to Flinders Electorate would help protect the coast of Western Port Bay and it's delicate environment and the Green Wedge of mainly agricultural land and Environmental Reserves.

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