



# Comment on objections I Í

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To Whom It May Concern

I am writing to object to the proposed boundary changes to the Corangamite and Wannon electoral boundaries.

My family arrived in Lorne in 1875. I was born in Lorne, was educated in Lorne then Geelong and the Melbourne University. I was the principal of the Lorne/Aireys Inlet P-12 College from 1990 until 1997. I have returned to live in Lorne after my retirement. I have been involved in leadership positions in the community over the past eight years and have a strong interest in the operations of local government.

My background has given me a deep understanding of the nature of our community and that of Aireys Inlet and Anglesea. Although disparate in some ways we have a common passion for our region, our heritage and our future. It is clear to me that the voters along the Surf Coast will be better represented by the politicians of the proposed Tucker electorate, than those of Wannon.

As part of the Surf Coast Shire since 1994 we have contributed to the shared vision for the area. We have survived bushfires together, we play sport together and we share cultural and artistic pursuits together. We have more in common with the residents of Torquay and Geelong than with those communities going to the South Australian border.

**There is no greater power to meet the future than the power of a community that understands what it cares about.**

Regards

Gary