



Comment on Objections 21

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To whom it may concern,

The new draft boundaries for our electorate at Mackellar, which is considering bringing the suburbs of Dee Why, Forestville and Frenchs Forest completely within the Mackellar boundaries instead of being split and adding Killarney Heights and North Curl Curl are a good and logical solution. It is a solution which will strengthen the Northern Beaches culture and unite communities of interest within Mackellar and I think therefore it is a very good proposal.

I feel strongly that the other option of merging with St Ives and parts of the North Shore are NOT a good solution as these communities, although very nice, I have lived there and worked there in the past, are very different in many aspects of life. They are further separated by space from Mackellar compared to the Dee Why, Forestville and Frenches Forest proposal. Many aspects such as the northern beaches council, sporting events school areas and shopping are very connected with the first proposal and are NOT with a St Ives North Shore proposal, which is naturally separated from the Northern Beaches by National Park.

The public transport links between St Ives and the rest of Mackellar are weak. There are no direct links between St Ives and Frenchs Forest, or St Ives and the southern parts of Mackellar.

Considering just these factors the extension of Mackellar into Dee Why, Frenches Forest, Forestville and Curl Curl and Killarney Heights make much more sense to me and will strengthen and unite the Northern Beaches community rather than divide it.

Kind regards Manuela Fuchs