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Comment on Objections 136

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Re: Draft Map of Proposed Commonwealth Electoral Division of Mackellar.

I write in support of the proposed changes to Mackellar Boundaries to include areas of Dee Why, North Curl Curl, Frenchs Forest, Killarney Heights and Forestville.

Keeping the Mackellar boundary wholly within the Northern Beaches Council Local Government area is the most appropriate and logical choice for Mackellar.

The proposed inclusion of these areas is consistent with requirements set out in Section 66 of Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918.

I. community of interests, including economic, social and regional interests.

II. the means of travel and communication

III. the physical features of the area, and IV. the boundaries of existing divisions in the State

The southern and Northern end of Mackellar are entirely within the Northern beaches LGA and linked through transportation, education, business and services.

I DO NOT support objections 671 and 686 which propose moving the boundaries of the Division of Mackellar westward into St Ives.

The North Shore and Northern Beaches are different and separate communities with different Councils, sporting competitions, school catchments, shopping and business precincts. There are NO direct transport connections from Northern Beaches to St Ives with the closest suburbs of Terrey Hills geographically isolated from St Ives.

The changes keep Mackellar within the one local council area will maintain enhance the strong sense of community spirit that connects the community.

Your sincerely,

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