



**THE FEDERAL
REDISTRIBUTION
NEW SOUTH WALES**

Objection 42

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**The Australian Electoral Commission
Redistribution Committee for New South Wales**

**OBJECTION TO THE REDISTRIBUTION BOUNDARIES OF THE ELECTORAL DIVISIONS OF
PARRAMATTA AND BEROWRA**

The following objection is in relation to the proposed boundaries between the Divisions of Parramatta and Berowra because of the Redistribution.

The specific objection is to **“the inclusion of the part of Epping to the east of Midson Road”** in the Division of Berowra (as outlined in points 152 and 157 of the Redistribution Report) instead of the Division of Parramatta.

It is noted that:

- In the graph *“Figure I: Proposed electoral divisions in New South Wales – enrolment as at Wednesday 9 August 2023, redistribution quota and permissible range of electors”* that the Distribution will place the Division of Berowra above the Redistribution Quota of 121,011 electors where as the Division of Parramatta is below this Redistribution Quota.
- In the graph *“Figure J: Proposed electoral divisions in New South Wales – projected enrolment as at Monday 10 April 2028, projected enrolment quota and permissible range of electors”* that the Division of Berowra is still above the projected enrolment quota of 129,621 and that the Division of Parramatta is still below the projected enrolment quota.
- Including the part of Epping to the east of Midson Road in the Division of Parramatta would bring both Divisions to fall in line with the Redistribution Quotas and would (I believe) still allow both Divisions fall within the permissible range for the maximum and minimum number of electors in an electoral division at the projection time.
- The Division of Parramatta is regarded as an Inner Metropolitan Division by the AEC.
- The Division of Berowra is regarded as an Outer Metropolitan Division by the AEC.
- The part of Epping to the east of Midson Road (which includes the Epping Town Centre) is in the City of Parramatta Local Government Area and would be regarded as Inner Metropolitan by the AEC definition.

- The entire suburb of Epping has been part of the City of Parramatta since May 2016.
- The part of Epping to the east of Midson Road is much more closely aligned with the common interests of the rest of the City of Parramatta than those of the Hornsby Shire Council.

Sincerely
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