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Hi

My name is leen vorsselmans , and I am a resident in the Federal seat of North Sydney from cremorne. My family and I have lived here since 2021, and we love it.

I do not believe that the seat of North Sydney should be abolished because:

1. Population redistribution : the residents of all 4 electorates (current north Sydney as well as the new bigger proposed surrounding electorates) will be severely disadvantaged by this. Absorbing 167 209 people into these other electorates means one candidate has to represent approx 30% people more. This would be doing these citizens a disservice with longer wait times for any queries or grievances. Wait times already are too long as it stand for soliciting a response from the MP. Also the housing structures and regulations are very specific to this area and are at risk of getting overruled eg height of apartment buildings.
2. The population right across our electorate is growing rapidly but the AEC's proposal does not account for this growth. North Sydney Council is expecting 19,500 new residents to move into the area by 2036. This is a 27% increase in just one of the four LGAs that currently make up the seat of North Sydney and indicates that it is highly likely that to proceed with abolishing our seat now would be completely counterproductive, as arguably the case to re-establish it come 2029 will be more than obvious.

I strongly oppose the draft proposal that the seat of North Sydney be abolished and request for it to remain intact, with minimal changes to accommodate changes in overall numbers of electors in NSW.

Kindest,

Leen Vorsselmans

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