



# Objection 457

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Objection to Proposed Division Boundaries  
Melbourne & Macnamara

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The proposed redistribution released on the 31<sup>st</sup> of May showed the Division of Melbourne crossing the Yarra River to take in the suburb of South Yarra and parts of Prahran from the Divisions of Higgins and Macnamara. However, I think that Prahran and South Yarra have more in common with other parts of the Division of Macnamara, and there are other parts of Macnamara which are more suitable for inclusion in the Division of Melbourne.

As an alternative, I propose that the boundary between Melbourne and Macnamara should follow the boundary between the City of Melbourne LGA and the City of Port Phillip LGA, along the West Gate Freeway, Kings Way, Dorcas Street and St Kilda Road. The boundary can then travel along Toorak Road to meet with the proposed boundary of the Division of Kooyong, along Williams Road.

This proposal includes, within the new Division of Melbourne boundaries, areas which are strongly connected to the preexisting parts of Melbourne through their proximity to the Yarra River, and to the CBD through bridges such as Seafarers Bridge, Kings St Bridge, Princes Bridge, and Church St Bridge (among others). It also puts the southern half of South Yarra, and Prahran, in a division with connected nearby suburbs such as St Kilda, Caulfield and Albert Park.

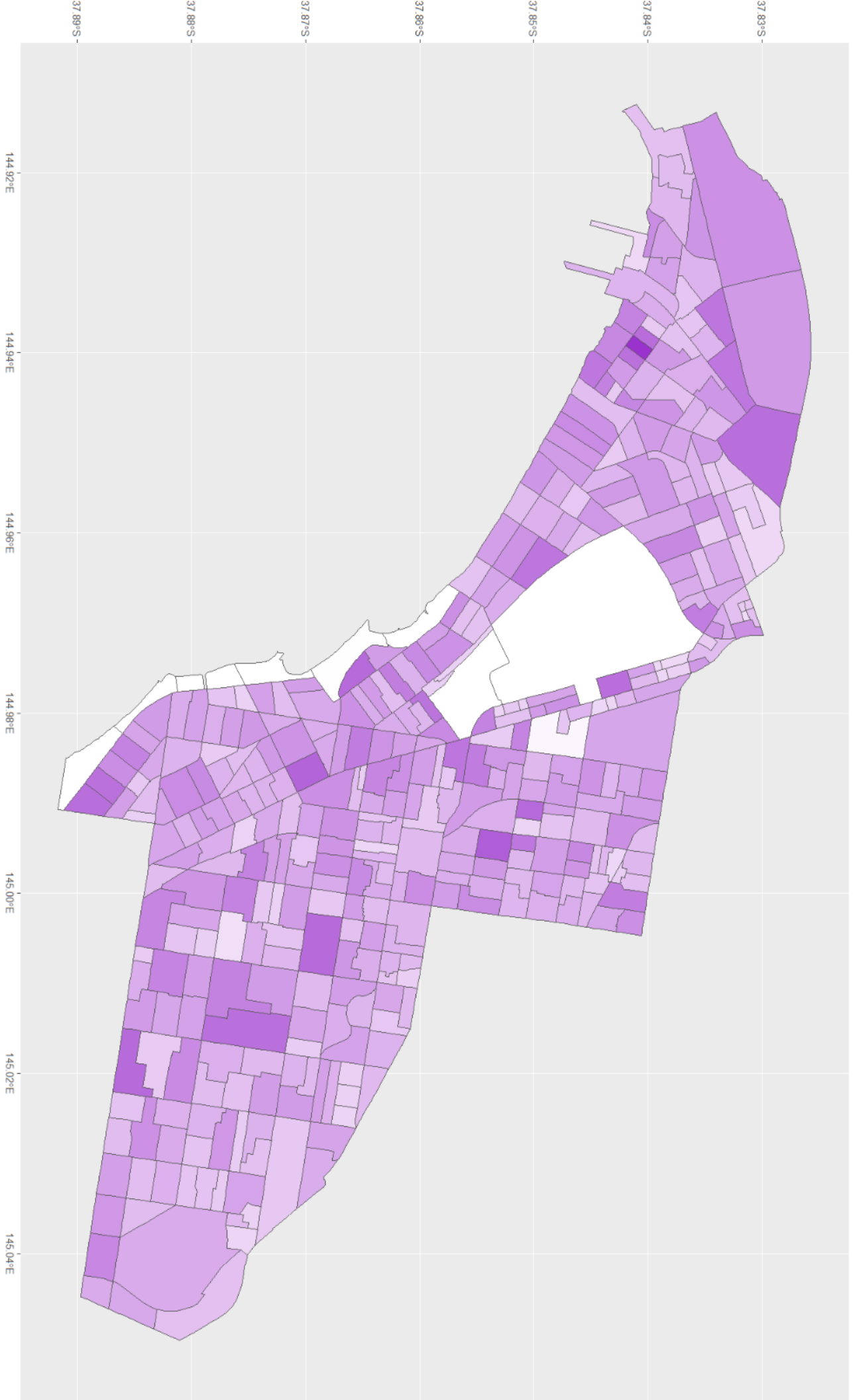
This proposal also gives Macnamara greater cohesion. As it is, Port Melbourne in the north-west and Caulfield in the south-east feel notably separate from each other, but are connected through St Kilda in the middle. Adding Prahran and South Yarra increases the “middle ground” in the electorate to connect the two ends.

Under this proposal there would be 112,326 enrolled voters in Melbourne (3.91% below quota), and 114,516 enrolled voters in Macnamara (2.03% below quota), as of August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Projected enrolment for the 24<sup>th</sup> of March 2028 is 126,212 for Melbourne (0.81% below quota) and 123,253 for Macnamara (3.13% below quota).

This table details my proposed changes from the May redistribution proposal:

From Macnamara to Melbourne	From Melbourne to Macnamara
SA2: Southbank East Southbank (West) – South Wharf	SA2: South Yarra - South
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