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Idea: Boundaries
Details: Apart from when necessary to deal with islands or external territories, Franklin is the only non-contiguous electorate in Australia. Considering non-contiguity is not otherwise utilised, it is apparent that past redistribution commissions have recognised that non-contiguous divisions are sub-optimal; they are more difficult to represent than contiguous divisions and do not share a community of interest, among other issues. This commission has the opportunity to rectify this in a simple and clean manner; a division consisting of the LGAs of Hobart, Kingborough and the Huon Valley is contiguous and within the acceptable range of deviation from the quotas: according to the Australian Redistribution Tool (ART) (available at <https://auredistribution.neocities.org/>) this division would be 2.5% below the current quota and 2.3% below the projected quota. This would then allow a division to be made from the LGAs of Glenorchy and Clarence (including the portions currently within Lyons). This division, thanks to the Bowen Bridge, is contiguous. This division is also within tolerances; according to the ART this division would be 4.4% below the current quota and 3.48% below the projected quota. This would allow Lyons and Bass to be resolved by the addition of the suburbs of Blackstone Heights and Prospect Vale to Bass. This would also align

them with a community of interest, as although they are not in the Launceston LGA, they are nonetheless suburbs of Launceston. Additionally, the alternative, large changes to the border of Lyons and Clark likely in addition to Clark expanding further into Franklin's western portions, further separating the disparate parts of Franklin highlights the need to reorientate the divisions of Clark and Franklin.
