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Comment on suggestion 11

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Dear Committee Members,

Re: Comment on 2023-24 NSW Redistribution Suggestion 22 (Kylea Tink)

I am a resident of Middle Cove which is part of the current North Sydney electorate and I am writing to strongly support Kylea Tink's suggestion. I believe this is a logical and rational suggestion, that appropriately adjusts boundaries to ensure meaningful representation of the communities in our area.

Moving the boundary north (to Boundary st!) and bringing Castle Cove & the rest of Chatswood into the electorate makes a lot of sense. My children attend Castle Cove Public School (which we are in the catchment for) which is in the same LGA as us (Willoughby) and is now in the same state electoral district (Willoughby), but is in a different Federal electorate, which does not make sense and causes a lot of confusion at election time (as we often vote at the school, which is 'out of area' for us at Federal elections).

Similarly, moving the boundary East to encompass Neutral Bay also makes a lot of sense. My in-laws live in that suburb and are frustrated by the varying boundaries – so for local and state issues they are aligned with North Sydney / North Shore, but federally with Warringah (i.e. the Northern Beaches). These areas have very different demographic profiles & issues to resolve, and Neutral Bay is more like North Sydney than the Northern Beaches.

Thank you for considering my comment.

Regards,

James