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By webform: https://www.aec.gov.au/redistributions/2023/nsw/comments-objections.html

Dear Members of the New South Wales Augmented Electoral Commission,

I am writing to provide feedback on the proposed boundary changes for the Division of Greenway.

I support the submission by NSW Labor to review the proposed boundary between the divisions of Mitchell and Greenway.

Old Windsor Road has served as an electoral boundary at either the federal or state level for over 50 years. Moreover, it is utilised for various community planning purposes, including school catchment zones.

Rouse Hill is a well-established suburb with a stable population and significant connections to adjacent suburbs such as Beaumont Hills and North Kellyville that are within the electoral division of Mitchell. These suburbs form a 'community of interest'.

In contrast, Box Hill currently lacks strong connections to adjacent areas. Box Hill is a relatively recent suburb with significant projected growth like the suburbs of Riverstone, Grantham Farm and Tallawong in the State Electoral District of Riverstone and Ward 1 of Blacktown Council.

If Old Windsor Road must be crossed, we recommend the New South Wales Augmented Electoral Commission consider separating Box Hill and Rouse Hill, retaining the latter in Mitchell, using Annangrove Road as the boundary.

These adjustments will help ensure that communities with shared interests and established connections are appropriately represented within their respective electoral divisions and to better reflect the differences in the communities on either side.

Thank you for considering my submission.

Yours sincerely,

Cr Chris Quilkey

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