



## Objection 261

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Dear AEC staff,

I am writing to object to the proposed elimination of the North Sydney electorate.

Most importantly, our community activities and use of facilities align far more with the current North Sydney boundaries than with the proposed changes. For example, like many residents of Lane Cove, I tend to shop, dine out and use pools and gyms in Chatswood, Willoughby, Cremorne or North Sydney. I rarely go to Ryde and have no connections with the Bennelong electorate.

Secondly, our electorate has a strong historical identity – we were one of the original electorates established and have been united enough to vote in Independent Federal members at 3 separate elections.

Lastly, our electorate is growing in size year by year, with the development of multiple tall apartment blocks in St Leonards and other suburbs. My understanding is the main motivation for these changes was to adjust for electorates with a smaller population, yet the State Govt is planning for more than 20,000 new homes in our electorate in the next 5 years.

Thanks for your consideration

Yours sincerely

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