



# Comment on suggestions 36

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# Comments on Suggestions

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## Suggestion S49

I erred in my suggestion S49 in:

- including the following Dandenong South SA1 (from the area broadly north of the Dandenong Bypass) in the Division of Holt.

Current Division	Statistical Area Level 2 (SA2) Name (2021 SA2s)	Statistical Area Level 1 (SA1) (2021 SA1s)	Statistical Area Level 1 (SA1) Code (7-digit) (2021 SA1s)	Statistical Area Level 2 (SA2) Code (2021 SA2s)	Actual enrolments Wednesday 9 August 2023	Projected enrolled Monday 17 April 2028	Proposed Division
ISAACS	Dandenong - South	21204156401	2156401	212041564	273	299	Bruce
ISAACS	Dandenong - South	21204156402	2156402	212041564	271	297	Bruce
ISAACS	Dandenong - South	21204156403	2156403	212041564	210	230	Bruce
ISAACS	Dandenong - South	21204156404	2156404	212041564	180	197	Bruce
ISAACS	Dandenong - South	21204156406	2156406	212041564	228	250	Bruce
ISAACS	Dandenong - South	21204156407	2156407	212041564	172	189	Bruce
ISAACS	Dandenong - South	21204156408	2156408	212041564	292	320	Bruce
ISAACS	Dandenong - South	21204156409	2156409	212041564	70	77	Bruce
ISAACS	Dandenong - South	21204156410	2156410	212041564	263	288	Bruce
ISAACS	Dandenong - South	21204156412	2156412	212041564	320	351	Bruce
ISAACS	Dandenong - South	21204156413	2156413	212041564	164	180	Bruce
ISAACS	Dandenong - South	21204156414	2156414	212041564	290	318	Bruce
ISAACS	Dandenong - South	21204156415	2156415	212041564	606	665	Bruce
ISAACS	Dandenong - South	21204156416	2156416	212041564	279	306	Bruce
ISAACS	Dandenong - South	21204156417	2156417	212041564	310	340	Bruce
ISAACS	Dandenong - South	21204156419	2156419	212041564	320	351	Bruce
ISAACS	Dandenong - South	21204156420	2156420	212041564	172	189	Bruce
	<b>Dandenong - South Total</b>				4,420	4,847	

This should have been included in the Division of Bruce to ensure the unification of the areas around the main Dandenong CBD.

- Moving the following SA1's from the Division of Bruce to the Division of Holt

Division	Statistical Area Level 2 (SA2) Name (2021 SA2s)	Statistical Area Level 1 (SA1) (2021 SA1s)	Actual enrolments Wednesday 9 August 2023	Projected enrolled Monday 17 April 2028	Growth (%)	
BRUCE	Hallam	21202129702	203	223		Holt
BRUCE	Hallam	21202129703	274	301		Holt
BRUCE	Hallam	21202129704	309	339		Holt
BRUCE	Hallam	21202129705	394	408		Holt
BRUCE	Hallam	21202129719	298	327		Holt
BRUCE	Hallam	21202129720	8	9		Holt
BRUCE	Hallam	21202129724	198	217		Holt
BRUCE	Narre Warren - South West	21202145608	174	191		Holt
BRUCE	Narre Warren - South West	21202145609	210	230		Holt
BRUCE	Narre Warren - South West	21202145614	314	344		Holt
BRUCE	Narre Warren - South West	21202145619	371	407		Holt
BRUCE	Narre Warren - South West	21202145628	230	252		Holt
BRUCE	Narre Warren South - West	21203145809	198	214	0.0808081	Holt
BRUCE	Narre Warren South - West	21203145813	135	148	0.0962963	Holt
BRUCE	Narre Warren South - West	21203145816	307	337	0.0977199	Holt
BRUCE	Narre Warren South - West	21203145821	344	377	0.0959302	Holt
BRUCE	Narre Warren South - West	21203145822	270	296	0.0962963	Holt
BRUCE	Narre Warren South - West	21203145828	273	299	0.0952381	Holt

Area Sth of Princess Highway

Princess Hwy to North and Centre Rd to East

The move of Dandenong South to Bruce means it is apparent that there are better areas at the South Eastern edge of the Division of Bruce to move to the Division of Holt as follows;

Division	Statistical Area Level 2 (SA2) Name (2021 SA2s)	Statistical Area Level 1 (SA1) (2021 SA1s)	Actual enrolments Wednesday 9 August 2023	Projected enrolled Monday 17 April 2028	Growth (%)	
BRUCE	Narre Warren South - East	21203145701	320	351	9.69%	Holt
BRUCE	Narre Warren South - East	21203145702	369	405	9.76%	Holt
BRUCE	Narre Warren South - East	21203145703	262	287	9.54%	Holt
BRUCE	Narre Warren South - East	21203145704	267	293	9.74%	Holt
BRUCE	Narre Warren South - East	21203145705	308	338	9.74%	Holt
BRUCE	Narre Warren South - East	21203145708	465	510	9.68%	Holt
BRUCE	Narre Warren South - East	21203145709	238	261	9.66%	Holt
BRUCE	Narre Warren South - East	21203145711	263	288	9.51%	Holt
BRUCE	Narre Warren South - East	21203145713	338	371	9.76%	Holt

South of Greaves Rd

BRUCE	Narre Warren South - East	21203145714	217	238	9.68%	Holt
BRUCE	Narre Warren South - East	21203145716	248	272	9.68%	Holt
BRUCE	Narre Warren South - East	21203145717	167	183	9.58%	Holt
BRUCE	Narre Warren South - East	21203145718	353	387	9.63%	Holt
BRUCE	Narre Warren South - East	21203145719	365	399	9.32%	Holt
BRUCE	Narre Warren South - East	21203145720	196	215	9.69%	Holt
BRUCE	Narre Warren South - East	21203145721	0	0	0.00%	Holt
BRUCE	Narre Warren South - East	21203145723	213	223	4.69%	Holt
BRUCE	Narre Warren South - East	21203145724	238	254	6.72%	Holt
BRUCE	Narre Warren South - East	21203145725	273	297	8.79%	Holt
BRUCE	Narre Warren South - East	21203145726	287	315	9.76%	Holt
BRUCE	Narre Warren South - East	21203145727	248	272	9.68%	Holt
BRUCE	Narre Warren South - East	21203145728	314	318	1.27%	Holt
BRUCE	Narre Warren South - East	21203145730	284	312	9.86%	Holt
BRUCE	Narre Warren South - East	21203145731	322	353	9.63%	Holt
BRUCE	Berwick - South West	21202155401	167	183	9.58%	Holt
BRUCE	Berwick - South West	21202155404	285	313	9.82%	Holt
BRUCE	Berwick - South West	21202155406	169	185	9.47%	Holt
BRUCE	Berwick - South West	21202155411	312	342	9.62%	Holt
BRUCE	Berwick - South West	21202155413	261	286	9.58%	Holt
BRUCE	Berwick - South West	21202155414	413	453	9.69%	Holt
BRUCE	Berwick - South West	21202155418	335	367	9.55%	Holt

The electors in this area are much more closely related to the majority electors in Holt due to the proximity to the central area of Holt being around the nearby Cranbourne than is the case if they remained in Bruce given its focus is more oriented toward the more distant Dandenong.

This change results in the number of electors comprising the proposed Bruce increasing by 433 (current) and 495 (2028) with Holt decreasing by the same amount.

I would ask that this revision be treated as an amendment to my original suggestion.

The overall voter numbers become

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	Current	2028
Bruce	118,051	128,885
Holt	116,960	126,933

Quota

116,894 127,238

Dandenong is often talked of as the second CBD of Melbourne thus having all electors in the Dandenong locality in a single division is highly desirable.

I note this change is similar to that proposed by a number of others in their submissions with many commenting re the desirability of uniting the Dandenong South area with the remainder of Dandenong.

I also include below 2 tables which inadvertently weren't included in my original submission. These detail for the various moves suggested in my submission the movement of electors into and out of Divisions at the 9 August 2023 and projected 2028 dates. NB: These DO NOT capture the change mentioned above.

		Divisions electors moved from																			
Sum of Actual enrolment Wednesday 9 August 2023		Column Labels																			
Row Labels	Aston	BRUCE	CASEY	Chisholm	CORANGAMITE	Deakin	Goldstein	HAWKE	Higgins	HOLT	HOTHAM	Isaacs	Kooyong	LA TROBE	MACNAMARA	MALLEE	MCEWEN	MELBOURNE	Menzies	Grand Total	
D	Aston		26,230																		26,230
i	Ballarat							4,862													4,862
v	Bendigo																5,962				5,962
i	Bruce	18,561									4,254										22,815
s	Calwell																2,353				2,353
i	Chisholm					34,257							10,937							17,450	62,644
o	Cooper																	3,765			3,765
n	Corio				1,325																1,325
n	Deakin		48,831																		48,831
E	Dunkley									4,696											4,696
l	Hawke																13,803				13,803
e	Higgins						17,082								34,815						51,897
c	Holt	4,510										4,420									8,930
t	Hotham						35,641					33,080									68,721
o	Isaacs											43,443									43,443
r	Jagajaga																			2,209	2,209
s	Kooyong								14,367												14,367
m	La Trobe	11,749	1,169																		12,918
o	MacNamara						58,360														58,360
v	Maribyrnong																	4,820			4,820
e	McEwan		28,870																		28,870
d	Melbourne														17,814						17,814
t	Menzies			10,536		13,297															23,833
o	Monash													6,059							6,059
s	New	3,245		56,570					32,175	24,826											116,816
o	Nicholls															2,714					2,714
	Scullin																3,345				3,345
	Wills																	6,342			6,342
	Grand Total	18,561	19,504	115,636	56,570	1,325	47,554	111,083	4,862	46,542	4,696	72,523	37,500	10,937	6,059	52,629	2,714	25,463	14,927	19,659	668,744

### Elector moves 9 August 2023

		Divisions electors moved from																			
Sum of Projected enrolment Mo		Column Labels																			
Row Labels	Aston	BRUCE	CASEY	Chisholm	CORANGAMITE	Deakin	Goldstein	HAWKE	Higgins	HOLT	HOTHAM	Isaacs	Kooyong	LA TROBE	MACNAMARA	MALLEE	MCEWEN	MELBOURNE	Menzies	Grand Total	
D	Aston		27,366																		27,366
i	Ballarat							5,233													5,233
v	Bendigo																6,373				6,373
i	Bruce	20,291									4,663										24,954
s	Calwell																2,528				2,528
i	Chisholm					37,580							11,997						19,142		68,719
o	Cooper																	4,130			4,130
n	Corio				1,420																1,420
	Deakin		52,737																		52,737
E	Dunkley									5,104											5,104
l	Hawke																14,788				14,788
e	Higgins						18,689								38,603						57,292
c	Holt		4,919									4,847									9,766
t	Hotham						38,818					36,225									75,043
o	Isaacs										47,635										47,635
r	Jagajaga																		2,338		2,338
s	Kooyong								15,553												15,553
	La Trobe		12,839	1,228																	14,067
m	MacNamara						63,859														63,859
o	Maribyrnong																		5,284		5,284
v	McEwan			31,341																	31,341
e	Melbourne													20,225							20,225
d	Menzies			11,369			14,104														25,473
	Monash													6,633							6,633
t	New		3,559		62,050				35,283	27,233											128,125
o	Nicholls														2,815						2,815
	Scullin															3,661					3,661
	Wills																	6,957			6,957
	Grand Total	20,291	21,317	124,041	62,050	1,420	51,684	121,366	5,233	50,836	5,104	79,531	41,072	11,997	6,633	58,828	2,815	27,350	16,371	21,480	729,419

**Elector moves 9 August 2023**

## **Suggestion S9 / S16**

I would like to commend this well constructed submission (noting that S9 and S16 appear to be identical). I do believe however that the proposal to have the Northern boundary of Goldstein run along Inkerman Rd to Hotham St where it turns South will result in similar issues to the past re the placement of members of the Jewish community. I do believe that there is a fairly easy fix.

- Move the proposed Northern boundary further North to Alma Rd or alternatively Dandenong Rd
- The Western Boundary moves slightly further west to the Sandringham train line where it runs South until the line intersects with Hotham St, or alternatively to Chapel St.

The impacted electors are currently placed in the proposed Higgins.

I would suggest there are opportunities to replace these with electors in the Carnegie area which is proposed to be included with Hotham. It should be noted that Carnegie is currently placed in the division of Higgins thus it has an added benefit that these electors will not change division. Whilst this will also change the shape of Higgins it will be no different than is the case with the current Higgins.

This then leaves the proposed Hotham needing electors.

This can be achieved by Hotham moving further west into the area of the proposed Goldstein. This will have the added benefit of unifying the localities of Bentleigh, McKinnon, Ormond and Glenhuntly into a single division noting that their communities of interest exist both sides of the Frankston train line which is where the proposed boundary is set. Potentially setting the boundary at Thomas St may be an option given that this is the boundary between the Glen Eira and Bayside municipalities.

## **Suggestion S32**

This comment is made regarding that component of the submission in relation to elector numbers in the Divisions of Lalor and Gellibrand.

I totally endorse Dr Mulcair's comments re this change. That which he suggests fundamentally mirrors my own submissions to both the 2018 and 2021 redistribution committee for this small area. Possibly on both previous occasions the elector numbers were such that the change could not be facilitated but today the change aids in better balancing the elector numbers between these divisions given that numerically Gellibrand is within bounds but is well below quota whilst Lalor is at quota. Dr Mulcair didn't advise that the electors in this area truly associate with the Point Cook community in relation to schooling, shopping, and the like. Additionally due to the Freeway and the vast amount of vacant land on the Western Side of the Freeway there is minimal relationship to the communities in the Division of Lalor. These are further reasons to endorse this move.

I didn't include this change in my own submission (S49) as with both Divisions being within bounds I didn't look for any opportunities to close the small gap in electors between these Divisions.

I note Dr Mulcairs comments in his submission re previous difficulties addressing the unification of the Jewish community in the St Kilda East / Caulfield North community. Many other submissions including S9 which I have commented on above have provided alternatives which I believe allow this matter to be addressed with at least one suggester determining MacNamara is the Division removed. I truly encourage the Committee to note what seems to be Dr Mulcairs's clear frustration re the history and be bold in determining the best boundaries for this area. municipalities.

### **Suggestion S35**

Re the suggestion of moving the boundary of Fraser / Gellibrand to the full length of Francis St I would strongly discourage consideration of the boundary being set at this location the small area South of Francis St is fundamentally cut off from the remainder of Gellibrand due to the Westgate Freeway. Ideally the Division boundary should be set at the Westgate Freeway however numerically this still isn't possible.

I do find other parts of this submission highly commendable particularly the recast McEwan into a much smaller area. Some may consider moving the boundary of Wills fundamentally to the edge of the CBD somewhat radical however my belief is that these communities in general are not gravitating in great mass to the CBD for many of their activities. It is worth note in that regard that historically those parts of the Melbourne City Council South of the Yarra have been outside the Division whilst those to the North are inside and all this proposal does is flip this. Additionally, my belief is that areas such as Southbank and Docklands are more attached to the CBD than those areas to the North.

### **Suggestion S36**

It was interesting to read this suggestion immediately after S35. I believe that in their design of McEwan and the adjoining Scullin and JagaJaga S35 has addressed the issues raised in this submission. McEwan has been a thorny Division over an extended period due to its reach and highly divergent communities and possibly this can finally be addressed.

### **Suggestion S41**

This is another well-presented submission with many interesting ideas. I'm particularly taken with the new Hotham and Bruce however the new Bruce excludes the populated end of the Dandenong South SA2. This proposed division incorporates areas such as Springvale and Keysborough around the prime Dandenong CBD with that being a prime part of this area but it MUST also include Dandenong South. I'm sure there are opportunities in the prevailing Holt and Isaacs to allow this to occur which would then enable many of the other good ideas in this submission to be captured.

### **Suggestion S53**

This suggestion is interesting and there is some rationale re the possibilities of using Hotham as the Division to be replaced. The maps seem to suggest good alternatives particularly centring the areas

associated the City of Greater Dandenong together. Sadly, there is no statistical evidence of how this can be achieved. The suggestion also provides means of addressing issues associated with the Jewish communities as has been mentioned elsewhere.