

The Secretariat of the Electoral Districts Redistribution Panel

## Suggestions to the boundary changes between Wakehurst and Ku-ring-gai Electorates Reference NSWR200630/27

Dear Sir/Madam,

We have inspected the suggested changes to the Electoral boundaries and we would like to make comments on the suggested Electoral boundary between Wakehurst and Ku-ring-gai electorates shown on maps 2.45 and 3.2 in the documents with reference NSWR200630/27.

In determining the boundaries, we consider it is important to look at the location, in addition to the population of each Electorate.

The common boundary between the suggested Electorates of Wakehurst and Ku-ring-gai is located through Garigal National Park (West).

This means that two Members of Parliament will be responsible for separate sections of National Park West.

This is impractical; it is essential that the whole of Garigal National Park is in one electorate. At present it is wholly within the Electorate of Davidson.

It is essential to protect the native flora and fauna, including threatened species, in this National Park.

This section of Garigal National Park is located between two urban areas.

The natural native environment in this National Park is essential for maintaining a 'Quality of Life' for the surrounding communities.

The responsibility for this National Park (West) should be with one Member of Parliament and not split between two Members of Parliament.

We respectively request that the suggested common boundary between Wakehurst and Kuring-gai Electorates be moved to the west to ensure that the whole of Garigal National Park is in the Wakehurst Electorate and to ensure that only one Member of Parliament is responsible for the whole of Garigal National Park and it is not divided between two Members of Parliament.

Yours Sincerely
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