

Please provide additional information and supporting documentation as attachments.

I oppose the redistribution plan to transfer Lord Howe Island from the Port Macquarie to Sydney electorate for the following reasons:

Lord Howe Island has had strong ties to Port Macquarie for 40 years:

SHIPPING - the only cargo shipping service to the island is from Port macquarie and we rely on this for food, fuel, vehicles, building material, water tanks etc,

AIR SERVICE - there is a direct air service for Port Macquarie to Lord Howe Island which is important for tourism, fur resents travelling for medical services, for tradesman visiting the island, for goods and services freighted.

SHOPS - the island community purchase food from many Port Macquarie outlet; and furniture, spare parts , paint etc.

SERVICES - the island has many links with many trades and services that provide the means fir island resents to live.

POLICE - the Lord Howe Island police station is linked to Port Macquarie

These links have been long established and provide a standard of living for the island community. It does not make sense to move the island to a different electorate where we have few links.

Our local Port Macquarie members of parliament have always provided a high level of support for this remote, isolated community and we enjoy a special relationship because of the many links with shops and services that are beneficial to both communities. I believe it is essential for the Lord Howe Island to sit in the Port Macquarie electorate for our future well being.