

**Electoral structure review - Mount Alexander Shire Council - Response Submission
Paul McDonald - Maldon - 19 April 2023, 04:54 pm**

Models 1, 2 and 3 give Castlemaine an over-represented number of Councillors. It is imperative that smaller towns have the means of outvoting any Castlemaine block if necessary.

My suggestion would be:

5 wards/8 councillors

Castlemaine/Campbell's Creek 3 councillors

Maldon/Baringhup 2 councillors

Chewton/Elphinstone/Taradale 1 councillor

Newstead/Guildford 1 councillor

Harcourt 1 councillor

This suggestion in my opinion gives more even representation throughout the Mt. Alexander Shire.