

Electoral structure review - Surf Coast Shire Council - Preliminary Submission
John Barber - Lorne - 21 February 2023, 01:30 pm

I believe a ward structure would be the most appropriate for equal representation of different types of activity .

For example , the requirements of a coastal town like Lorne which attracts tourism are different to a town like Torquay which is much larger and has a more commercial base . Many residents would commute to Geelong for work .

If we look at the total number of voting people in the Shire , you could have 9 wards with around 4,000 in each .

Lorne , although smaller than Torquay or Anglesea , is one of the larger remaining areas and could be combined with an adjacent area to make up a unit of 4,000 .

I have seen a more detailed submission from a Lorne resident on a 9 ward breakup together with a suggestion of the manner in which the population would be spread to conform with the VEC requirements .