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The Indented Head Community Association members and community strongly reject Models 1 & 2 because the proposed boundaries cut in half the community within the current settlement boundary. With Ibbotson Street as the boundary and our largest housing estate, Seabreeze Estate, west of Ibbotson Street, in both Grassy Point Ward (1) or Murradoc Ward (2) and the community to the east in another ward. This was rejected at our General Meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> July.

In order to support a cohesive voice for the planning of infrastructure, facilities and to recognise the whole community as a connected community, which currently works together to advocate for and actively support local planning, amenities and environment, we support Model 3.

It is very important to retain this principle and enable the continuation of a strong, single and inclusive ward that all of Indented Head is identified within the boundaries. Not to split the population of voters into two areas. The northern Bellarine communities of Indented Head, Portarlinton and St Leonards must be kept in the same ward, we share a history and the postcode of 3223.

If the current Bellarine Ward has to change to average out the population over the wards, then we most definitely want to express support for the Swan Bay Ward in Model 3, which leaves the community intact. The only other option is that the VEC MUST change the boundary from Ibbotson Street to using Grassy Point Road as the boundary, NOT Ibbotson Street as is in both 1 & 2.

With our current population of approx. 1,400 we need to be in one ward to strengthen our community at a local level and come together by sharing views and resources in the future. We must have our voted Councillor/s being able to represent the community in ONE ward.

Kind regards

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Secretary