Electoral structure review - Corangamite Shire Council - Response Submission Skipton Progress Association Inc - Skipton - 12 April 2023, 03:37 pm

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To: Corangamite ERAP Submissions 2023

Subject: Submission Re: proposals for Corangamite Shire Council

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Submission to the Electoral Representative Advisory Panel Re: Corangamite Shire Council

As requested, the Skipton Progress Association Inc. made a submission to the Electoral Representative Advisory Panel in the first round of discussions, and this was accepted.

On behalf of the Committee of the Skipton Progress Association Inc. I would now submit to you our dismay at the proposals put to the Corangamite Shire Council following the first round of discussion.

Skipton is currently very well represented by our North Ward Councillor on the Corangamite Shire Council, we reinforce our view that the best solution for Corangamite Shire is representation on the Council by one Councillor representing one Ward. The Corangamite Council have presented good solutions to your demands for a set number of Councillors, and the creation of new Wards Is entirely acceptable. We are a very diverse Shire, each Ward has different demographics and needs, we feel that a voice for each Ward in Council will result in informed and appropriated solutions to providing for each Ward.

Discussion with representatives and members of many local organisations, including the Skipton Primary School, the Skipton and District Historical Society Inc., the Skipton Football Netball Club, and the Skipton Opportunity Shop, show they all share our view and we would ask that your Panel re-consider your initial findings and help us maintain a system of representation that has been, and is, working very well for our Shire and it's residents.

The Skipton Progress Association Inc. submit that division into electoral Wards should continue for the Corangamite Shire, and that new Wards be created as suggested by the Corangamite Shire Council and submitted to the Electoral Representative Advisory Panel.

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