

PORT PHILLIP CITY COUNCIL ELECTORAL STRUCTURE REVIEW

9 August 2023

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St Kilda 3182

Dear Members,

Electoral structure review - Port Phillip City Council

I am writing as a longtime resident of ██████████ St Kilda.

I would like to first support the decision made by the State Government through the new Local Government Act 2020 to introduce a preference for single members wards and I agree with the statement that this voting system will ‘support closer relationships between Councillors and their communities’.

Having considered the three models proposed as options by the Commission, I support the adoption of Model 2 on the basis that it best reflects the coherence of communities of interest in each of these districts.

However, I am surprised that a small pocket at the southern end of Fitzroy St, from Acland Street to the beach, is included in Catani Ward. As a resident of this area, I believe the interests of residents and businesses near my home are more closely attuned to those in the rest of the proposed St Kilda Ward than the less densely populated Catani Ward.

I therefore strongly urge the panel to adjust this boundary to include the small area between Fitzroy, Acland and Victoria streets and the Esplanade as part of St Kilda Ward.

Thank you for the opportunity to contribute to the review.

Regards

Rosie Jones
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