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We are permanent residents of Lorne, Victoria, 3232. We are active community members and volunteer with different local organisations including The Lorne Community Hospital and Lorne Care - a LandCare organisation.

Council Structure

We support nine equal wards with one councillor per ward. The Lorne Deans Marsh area is its own ward. The ward boundaries suggested by Dr John Agar appear a good starting point.

Communities of Interest

Lorne accommodates high visitor numbers and is the gateway to the Otways. Lorne prides itself on its natural beauty and strong community organisations and services. Lorne and Deans Marsh share population and interests, particularly workers and education of school children.

The community interests around Lorne also include the links to the First Nations Gadubanud. These links could easily be neglected by a one size fits all council, particularly urban area like Torquay, and that is why we advocate for a separate warder Lorne and district