

**Electoral structure review - Stonnington City Council - Response Submission**  
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I find it OUTRAGEOUS that the state government has made this UNDEMOCRATIC move against proportional representation. Not only are we going back to the future with a move that goes against all previous VEC recommendations, but this decision will see minorities, minor parties and women elected in fewer numbers. SHAME on the state government for implementing such a DISGRACEFUL piece of legislation in favour of feathering their own nest.

In regard to the ward boundaries I would suggest that Option 1 seems the only logical choice. It keeps communities together allowing demographics of a similar nature to be represented by one Councillor. I would however carve some of Como ward off and give it to Torak ward. This should fix up the deviation which seems to leave Como with too many electors. Perhaps having the bottom section of Torak move across to Princess Gardens would also make sense.

Option 3 seems most illogical from a demographic and community distribution and will almost guarantee the council infighting over budget with an us against them commercial focused arrangement.