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Victorian Electoral Commission
Greater Dandenong Review

Dear VEC

As residents of the City of Kingston who value green wedge zoning of natural values, agricultural, horticultural and recreational uses, we comment on this VEC electoral review of neighbouring municipality the Greater Dandenong City Council.

We have viewed the two proposed structural changes, Model 1 and Model 2 and, on balance, favour Model 2:

Model 2, we say, is best for GDCC because it represents minimal change to the current ward structure, and thus certainty for residents, landholders and businesses. And, importantly, maintains current green wedge zoning within one ward. Thus valued natural and cultural spaces, agriculture, horticulture, recreation, green and climatic amenity for the Dandenong Valley region and for Greater Melbourne remain without division. This is structurally the best model for GDCC aesthetically, environmentally and administratively.

Conversely, we say **Model 1** combines highly incompatible green wedge and industrial uses together in one large ward. The planning scheme rules could not satisfactorily cover such differing uses of environmental sensitivity (green wedge) and environmental threats (industry). Model 1 would put at risk the wonderful Living Links restoration of waterways and waterbodies in GDCC by Melbourne Water and conservation groups, which would ultimately improve water quality in the Dandenong Valley Catchment and in Port Phillip Bay. And would appear to have a greater adverse impact on neighbouring green spaces in City of Casey and in City of Kingston.

We trust our comments are useful for this electoral review of Greater Dandenong City Council.

Kind regards,

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