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Dear AEC

Comment on Objection 671 & Objection 686.

This comment is in relation to the suggestions made by some people who do not live within Mackellar that the AEC should consider moving the boundary of the Mackellar electorate west to include St Ives. I do not support that suggestion, and would favour instead the alternative proposal to move the boundary south to include the whole of Dee Why, Forestville and Frenchs Forest (which is currently split between two electorates) and to include North Curl Curl and Killarney Heights.

St Ives is not part of the Northern Beaches community. The community on the beaches is cohesive and has its own culture which is quite different to the community in the upper north shore.

St Ives/ St Ives Chase and the Northern beaches have separate councils and are geographically separated by the landscape (with National Parks and waterways separating the communities quite distinctly). There are also few direct public transport links between the two areas. They each have their own separate shopping and business districts. They rarely mix for school sporting and other competitions.

It is not logical to incorporate one small part of the upper north shore into an electorate that is otherwise entirely contained within the Northern Beaches. Mackellar should remain wholly within the Northern Beaches.

Kind regards

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