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Objection 155

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I object the proposed redistribution of electors from Bardia, Glenfield, Ingleburn, Long Point and Macquarie Fields (collectively referred to as BGILM) from the current Divisions of Macarthur and Werriwa to the Division of Hughes.

There is a high risk of underrepresentation by the member(s) of the political party that are likely to enjoy a successful election outcome based on historical electoral data, due to a wide disparity of economic, social and regional interests of these electors with the remainder majority of the Division of Hughes.

Constituents of BGILM would likely have to travel from one extremity to another of within the Division of Hughes to convene in-person meetings in the office with the elected member(s) unless this is relocated to a more suitable central location within the electorate. Regardless of a relocation, geographical and transport link factors dictate that the offices of the elected members of neighbouring Divisions would be still be within much closer proximity.

Furthermore, I note no historical iterations of the Division of Hughes have ever included BGILM given that these localities have the Georges River forming a natural border with parts of the neighbouring suburbs of Moorebank and Casula, which have historically formed parts of the Division of Hughes.

The extreme contrasts would be of further disadvantage civic and political engagement of the constituents of BGILM reflecting the levels of education, nature of employment and social habits that are less likely to facilitate active participation as usual inclinations. This could lead to increased levels of already present widespread disenfranchisement, and in the longer term would be a tragedy to democracy for these constituents.

Please reevaluate and reconsider.