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Dear Commissioners,

I am writing to formally object to the draft proposal that places South Ripley and Spring Mountain into the proposed Greenbank electorate. I strongly believe this does not reflect the community of interest for these suburbs, nor the practical social, economic, and service connections they share with the Ipswich area.

### Reasons for Objection

#### Community Identity

Residents of South Ripley, Spring Mountain, Deebing Heights, and White Rock identify as part of Ipswich and are all located South of Ipswich. Our daily lives, including schools, sports, community activities, and local services, are firmly connected to Ipswich, not Greenbank, Flagstone, or Logan-based areas.

#### Council Alignment

These suburbs are governed by Ipswich City Council, and aligning them with Logan-focused suburbs ignores local governance, planning, and service delivery responsibilities.

#### Community Services & Infrastructure

Education, healthcare, shopping, and recreational services for these areas are primarily accessed within Ipswich and Springfield. Residents rely on Ipswich-centred infrastructure rather than services located in Greenbank or Flagstone.

#### Transport & Connectivity

Road and public transport networks, including major highways, link these suburbs to Ipswich and Springfield, not Greenbank. Daily commutes, school travel, and service access follow Ipswich connections.

#### Urban Growth & Planning

The Ripley Valley and surrounding growth areas are planned as part of Ipswich's urban development corridor. Aligning South Ripley and Spring Mountain with Greenbank does not reflect the long-term growth, infrastructure, and planning context.

#### Proposed Change

I respectfully request that South Ripley and Spring Mountain together with Deebing Heights and White Rock be placed together within an Ipswich-centred electorate, or a newly named Ipswich South electorate, rather than being included in Greenbank. This grouping better reflects the community of interest, council alignment, transport, services, and urban growth planning, ensuring residents are properly represented.

Thank you for considering this submission. Aligning electoral boundaries with genuine community connections will enhance fair and effective representation for residents in this rapidly growing area.

Yours sincerely,  
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