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See below

**Submission Attachments**

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Dear Commissioners

**Re: Realignment of Charters Towers LGA with Burdekin Electorate – Response to Draft Changes**

I write on behalf of the Charters Towers Regional Council regarding the draft electoral redistribution boundaries recently released for consultation.

Council wishes to reaffirm its strong support for the proposal to transition the Charters Towers Regional Council Local Government Area (LGA) into the State electorate of Burdekin. This realignment better reflects our geographic, economic and community of interest linkages and is consistent with the principles of effective representation.

However, Council does not support the draft proposal to remove small sections of our Local Government area, specifically the Greenvale district and surrounding areas of Hidden Valley and Mt Fox areas and transfer them to the Flinders electorate.

The Greenvale area, although small in population with approximately 190 residents, is strategically significant to the Charters Towers region. This locality includes the Australian-Singapore Military Training Initiative (ASMTI) grounds and the proposed site for the Hells Gate Dam, both of which carry substantial State and Federal implications for our community. Splitting this area from the remainder of the Charters Towers LGA, would materially limit Council's ability to advocate effectively at the State level regarding the impacts, opportunities and long term planning considerations associated with these major projects.

From a representation perspective, the separation of Greenvale from the broader Charters Towers community offers little practical benefit and may inadvertently create misalignment between community interests, regional planning priorities and the electorate boundary framework.





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Accordingly, Council respectfully requests the Commission reconsider the proposed excision of the Greenvale area and surrounds and instead, retain it within the same electorate as the remainder of the Charters Towers LGA, that being the Burdekin electorate.

Thank you for considering this feedback as part of the redistribution review. Council would welcome the opportunity to provide any further information that may assist the Commission in finalising the boundaries.

Yours faithfully

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ER Schmidt  
**Mayor**

