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I wish to make a submission regarding the proposal to include the suburbs of Karalee, Tivoli, Chuwar and Barellan Point within the electoral district of Moggill.

In my view, these proposed changes do not reflect the strong and established community of interest that exists within the current Moggill district and instead combine communities that have very different local identities, service patterns and daily connections.

Suburbs such as Karalee and Tivoli are widely understood to be part of the Ipswich community. Residents in these areas generally rely on Ipswich for their primary services and amenities, including shopping, schools, medical services, employment and local recreation. These suburbs fall within the Ipswich City Council area and their day-to-day life is closely tied to the city of Ipswich. For many residents, their connection to Ipswich forms the centre of their community identity.

By contrast, the communities within the Moggill district—such as Moggill, Bellbowrie, Pullenvale and the Kenmore area—are oriented toward Brisbane. Residents in these suburbs tend to rely on Brisbane-based services, travel corridors and employment centres. They also fall within Brisbane City Council and share planning frameworks, transport connections and community facilities.

The Brisbane River also forms a significant physical and practical boundary between these communities. There is no direct bridge connection between the Karalee side of the river and the Moggill area, meaning travel between these communities is limited and indirect. As a result, the interaction between residents on each side of the river is minimal and the two areas function largely as separate communities.

Including Karalee, Tivoli, Chuwar and Barellan Point within the Moggill electorate would therefore create a district that combines communities with different service centres, local government areas and community identities. Many residents of the proposed Ipswich-side additions would continue to rely on Ipswich for most aspects of daily life, meaning issues affecting Ipswich may not closely align with the priorities of residents in the existing Moggill area. In contrast, suburbs such as Indooroopilly have a far stronger community connection with the western Brisbane suburbs currently within the Moggill district. Indooroopilly shares established transport corridors, commercial centres, schools and social networks with suburbs such as Kenmore, Chapel Hill, Bellbowrie and Moggill. Many residents in these areas regularly travel along the same road network and rely on common facilities and services. These links represent a clearer and more established community of interest. Maintaining connections between the western Brisbane suburbs and Indooroopilly would therefore better reflect the shared identity, infrastructure and service patterns that exist across this part of Brisbane.

For these reasons, I respectfully submit that the proposed inclusion of Karalee, Tivoli, Chuwar and Barellan Point within the electoral district of Moggill does not reflect the natural community of interest in the area. I encourage the Commission to reconsider these changes and instead prioritise maintaining electorates that reflect the existing community connections between western Brisbane suburbs and Indooroopilly.

Thank you for considering this submission.