

Shire of Goomalling

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The Commissioner
WA Electoral Commission
GPO Box F316
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Dear Sir

SUBMISSION BY SHIRE OF GOOMALLING TO REMAIN IN THE ELECTORATE OF THE CENTRAL WHEATBELT

With reference to the above, where the Commission is recommending some significant changes to Electoral Boundaries, this Council and its residents of the whole Shire of Goomalling are totally opposed to re-locate the Shire of Goomalling to the Electorate of Moore for the Lower House of Assembly in the State Parliament of Western Australia.

Rather than reducing the number of Assembly Seats from 17 Country seats to 16, the logical answer is to increase the total number of assembly seats from 89 seats to 90 seats thereby increasing the metropolitan seats of 72 to 73. It is ludicrous to reduce the number of country seats thereby increasing the area of the remaining 16 seats. It really doesn't make any sense. It appears that 75% of the export wealth which is made in rural and remote Wester Australia doesn't count for anything but to continue to make us feel like "second rate" citizens. Surely this must stop and now is the time to act and perform.

Council and its residents sincerely request that the Shire of Goomalling must remain in the electorate of Central Wheatbelt and we look forward to your favourable reply in due course.

Thank you in anticipation.

Yours sincerely

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Chief Executive Officer