

PARLIAMENT OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

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Dear Commissioner,

I make the following brief submission for your consideration in relation to the impact that the proposed boundary changes will have on the WA electorate of Maylands.

I understand that one of the criteria considered by the WAEC in this process is the impact that proposed changes will have on the electorate offices of sitting members. Under the changes currently proposed, my electorate office will be located outside my electorate of Maylands.

My office is on the corner of Beaufort Street and Crawford Road, Inglewood. The proposed changes would move the boundary North by one street to Wood Street. The impact of this would be that my office is one street out of the electorate of Maylands.

The electorate office for Maylands has been located at this address for 15 years. The community of Maylands knows the location of their member. Further to this, moving to a new address will require significant expense to find and lease a new premises, move into it and to advertise to the whole electorate where they can find their member.

I ask that the WAEC consider changing the southern boundary of the new Maylands electorate to Crawford Road instead of Wood Street. While this is a small change, it is a far better outcome for my electorate and less costly for the state of WA.

Yours sincerely,

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