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Dear Sir/Madam,

As a Former Member for Colle/Preston I wish to make comment on the proposed Electoral changes put forward by the various Political Parties.

My first comment is major changes leads to a huge disruption of Services to the Constituents of the Electorate. Having previous major changes to the Collie Electorate which saw Harvey, Waroona, Myalup and Preston Beach included only to be removed at the next re-distribution created problems for both the Member and the Constituents.

With the same issue with Donnybrook Shire in for only one term then out at the next had Voters thinking that they were not being represented, as they thought they were still in the previous Electorate.

These small examples show the disruption that can happen when due consideration is not given to the Constituents.

The view that Collie/Preston should be carved up to put the Town of Collie into the seat of Roe is just fanciful and would have no common interest at all. This would also require a change of Office allocation and Staff in the process of re-location of boundaries.

It must be remembered that the Collie Shire provides around approximately 3,500 jobs in mining, engineering, the power industry and Alumina production. Many of these people who work in the Collie Shire live in the Dardanup, Harvey, Australind and Eaton areas and would have little or no relationship with the current seat of Roe or the Town of Esperance.

While the Town of Collie is only a 45 minute drive away from Bunbury this means that major Medical services, Sport and University studies are all a part of the broader Collie Community interests.

This all points to Collie retaining an close relationship with the coastal region.

My experience of servicing the Seat of Collie/Preston and the wider Regions has shown that Towns like Boyup Brook, Boddington and Waroona had little in common with Collie and shows further dislocation from it's main base would affect the servicing of Collie and it's surrounds.

Yours faithfully,

Hon. Mick Murray

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