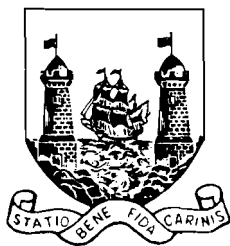


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**Mr. Tom Sheridan,
Secretary,
Dublin & Cities Electoral Area Boundary Committee,
Room 2.03, Custom House,
Dublin 1**

27th February 2008.

Dear Mr. Sheridan,

The following is an extract from the Minutes of Ordinary Meeting of An Chomhairle held on 25th February 2008.

4. **CORK CITY COUNCIL SUBMISSION TO THE DUBLIN & CITIES ELECTORAL AREA BOUNDARY COMMITTEE**

On the proposal of Comhairleoir D. Wallace, seconded by Comhairleoir J. Corr An Chomhairle approved the Submission to the Dublin & Cities Electoral Area Boundary Committee.

Cork City Council, having considered the proposed boundary changes, wishes to make the following points for consideration by the Independent Commission.

1. The current allocation of seats in Cork City is split as follows: Northside Wards – 15 and Southside wards – 16. It is important that this allocation is retained in an effort to support the ongoing work of Cork City Council to rejuvenate the Northside of the City. It would be detrimental to the efforts that the Council has made to improve the overall social standing of the Northside of Cork to take a seat from this area and transfer it to the Southside wards.
2. The current Ward structure has been in place for many years and each Ward encompasses natural communities and also contains a reasonable balance and to avoid the scenario where natural communities would be split between different wards.
3. The current split of 6 Wards across the City provides a reasonable spread of electoral areas and helps to promote the aims as set out above. It is the view of the City Council that these Ward structures should be retained and the appropriate amendments made to ensure that they comply with the terms of the Boundary Commission.

**Ursula Ramsell,
Staff Officer,
Corporate Affairs**