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Electoral Boundary commission  
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**Submission for consideration regarding the electoral boundary of  
DunLaoghaire- Rathdown County Council.**

To whom it concerns:

In conjunction with your deliberations on the reform of the local electoral constituency boundaries I would be grateful when looking at the DunLaoghaire/Rathdown Constituency that you give consideration to rectifying the anomaly created in 1994 when merging the geographical area of Rathdown with the borough of DunLaoghaire creating a constituency whereby the western part of the County i.e. east of the N11 which incorporates the Villages of Dundrum, Sandyford and Stepside/Kilternan and has very little if anything in common with the eastern part of the County formally known as DunLaoghaire Borough Council.

If you examine both the employment and population projections for 2016-2020 you will see that the area of Dundrum/Sandyford and Stepside/Kilternan as opposed to DunLaoghaire and its environments, is projected to take the bulk of the developments both commercial and residential which by its very nature I believe constitutes a real opportunity to establish a new and distinct County Council area known as Rathdown with its Capitol Located in the developing township of Dundrum.

This I believe would create a much more consolidated community of like minded people as opposed to the divisions which currently exists between the east and west of DunLaoghaire/Rathdown, the most recent being, the stark discrepancy between the amount of revenue generated within the Dundrum Community Area which is projected to continue to expand and the DunLaoghaire Community area whereby developments, particularly Commercial development are continually opposed as not being as being out of character with the traditions of the Borough.

In 2007 the Dundrum Area generated €40.32 million which the more populated DunLaoghaire Area only generated €28.74 million a ratio of around 60% to 40% without the associated benefits going to the Dundrum Area.

In conclusion I ask you to seriously consider my request in the interest of both DunLaoghaire and Rathdown going forward as I believe that the current and future residents of both DunLaoghaire and Rathdown deserve the right to determine their own destiny and the type of community in which they wish to live.

Suggesting that there is a relationship between the mountains and the sea is like saying that you can mix oil with water, its just not feasible.

Yours sincerely

  
Tony Kelly P. G.