

Submission on the Electoral Boundary Review

By Newport & District Development Co Ltd

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Dear Committee

Newport And District Development Company, was established as a community forum to reflect and support the interests of the people of the parish of Burrishoole and is in existence over 16 years.

The results of the previous electoral review in 1999 had damaging effects to the Newport town and Catchment area.

The removal of Shramore and Newport West from the Westport Electoral area to the Belmullet electoral area has not worked out in the interest of the people as it is 65 kilometers from the administration in Belmullet.

The townlands of Shramore, Treanbeg, Lettermaghera and Furnace have not received the level of service that could be given, if returned to the Westport Electoral area.

The townlands of Shramore, Treanbeg, Lettermaghera, Furnace and part of Newport West are naturally associated with Newport East and Westport area.

We would ask that you would consider dealing with this anomaly that exists in the present Boundary division in the interest of the people of the area and make the necessary changes to consolidate the people of the Newport Area, within the Westport Electoral division.

Yours sincerely

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Secretary
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