

Dublin and Cities Electoral Area Boundary Committee

Waterford City Electoral Area 3 Submission – main points

It is premature to make any change in the number of elected members in the Ward Three Area of the city for the following reasons:

- The Terms of Reference of the Commission as set up by Minister Gormley states that " in carrying out its review the committee shall have as an objective the drawing up of electoral areas which (alone or in combination) would as far practicable have an urban or *neighbourhood* focal point or points"

In the case of Kilcohan / Ballytruckle Neighbourhood, a small part of which is in Ward Two as can be see in the attached map it would make greater administrative sense that this part of the Kilcohan / Ballytruckle Neighbourhood in Ward Two be transferred to Ward Three. The end result of this would see the entire Kilcohan / Ballytruckle Neighbourhood now in Ward Three which would be more in keeping with the recommendations as set down by the Commission.

- Register of Electors variations, - New estates not on the Register. There are a number of estates in the Ward Three Area that are not on the Register of Electors. This has resulted in the number of voters in Ward Three being understated. Once again it would be premature to make any change to the area until this can be clarified

- Conclusion. We believe it is premature to make any change to the Ward Three area for the reasons outlined above. Currently there are 6 elected members for the area and we believe that the Grange South Area should be added to Ward Three in keeping with the Neighbourhoods as outlined in the City Development plan and subsequently referred to in Terms of Reference. Therefore we request that Ward 3 in Waterford City would retain 6 elected members.

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