We the residents and ratepayers of [redacted] support option C – the nine Councillors from nine single wards.

We feel that Option C better represents the needs of the community and our interests particular to this structure.

Residents tend to know their elected councillors and are better able to contact them about concerns or issues and be sure that if follow up is required the councillor is accountable and not likely to get caught up in the bureaucracy with the other options suggested.

They understand local issues and are likely to be part of the community by virtue of their representation at various events and their presence generally.

The current structure is effective and works. We would have supported the current structure of seven Councillors from seven single wards if this had been included in the options.

Helen Penna (on behalf of our household)