

I strongly support the VEC's preferred option - Option A - recommending multi-councillor wards rather than the current single councillor per ward structure. I have had first hand experience of the failings of the current system, where some individual councillors are un-interested and pay little attention to the issues facing residents outside of their ward, and have been shocked by the power held by non-elected employees of council. A greater number of councillors representing larger wards should encourage greater scrutiny of the issues that come before them, and more responsibility to the people within those wards.

I feel multi-councillor wards will increase the likelihood of a greater number of residents feeling actually represented at council level, and will improve levels of transparency and fairness for all parties within the City of Boroondara.