

Electoral Representation Review – Boroondara City Council - Response Submission
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Option A is a better model to gain a better representation of the entire community. I think there is a definite risk that the current structure (single councillor wards) closes out reasonably large minority groups of the community that should otherwise be represented. The current range of councillors are not very diverse in background.

The counter argument that a single councillor is more accountable to a smaller local ward overstates the extent to which the current local wards are very distinctive from each other. Finally, the fact that the Council is arguing against change is probably a good enough reason to say lets give the new structure a go.

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