

Electoral Representation Review – Boroondara City Council - Response Submission
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As a current resident of the Solway ward I would prefer to live within a larger ward with more than one councillor per ward.

My preference is for option A. The suggested boundaries for Ferndale ward make sense to me . Boroondara is badged as the "City of Harmony"

I am strongly of the opinion that harmonious communities are more likely to exist when there is a diversity of people in the "teepee" or in this case the council chamber talking to each other.

Multi councillor wards allow for a more democratic result at council election. Multi councillor wards allow for an increased diversity of councillors and interests represented from the community.

Option A has an eye to the future and likely population changes before the next scheduled local government representational review.

I am concerned that an empowered group is attempting to maintain their undemocratic Boroondara local government status quo.