The number of Councillors should be maintained as a minimum. While it would be preferable to increase the number of Councillors to 12, an odd number would be preferable to avoid potential for tied votes at Council meetings. While the number of voters per Councillor is lower than other Local government areas in Victoria, maintaining the number of Councillors is justified on the basis that Greater Dandenong is the most multicultural municipalities in Australia, yet one of the most disadvantaged, due to relatively high levels of unemployment and low proportion of high income earners.

Multi-councillor wards continue to be supported because:

- It encourages councillors with more diverse views being elected and the potential for the introduction of fresh ideas;
- It enables Councillors to share workload and work together to obtain better outcomes than by working alone in a single councillor Ward;
- Voters are provided with a greater choice of candidates at election time;
- The model is currently in place and has served the community well, and since the model changed from single councillor wards in 2008, it has given residents a choice of councillors to approach with issues of concern;
- It encourages Councillors to think more broadly and focus on issues covering a wider area as opposed to single councillor wards where Councillors may be elected on minor or parochial issues and may lack a Council wide perspective;
- Greater Dandenong has complex needs which are better met through multi-councillor wards. It is the most multicultural municipalities in Australia, yet one of the most disadvantaged due to relatively high levels of unemployment.

The number of wards in Greater Dandenong appears to be appropriate. All wards should have 2-3 Councillors. Dandenong is designated as a major activity centre by the State Government and has been kept intact in recent State electorate boundary review changes for that reason. The various neighbourhoods in Dandenong are tightly bound to each other and would not fit in well with other wards.