

Electoral Representation Review - East Gippsland Shire Council - Preliminary Submission  
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This map supplements my earlier submission, which had no map. It shows that it is possible to have good local representation in East Gippsland with no more than 5% variation from the mean enrolment, having six wards of one, two or four councillors, and eleven councillors in all. This may be at variance with the normal practice of the VEC, but it is the best way to ensure fair and equitable representation for the residents of East Gippsland, which is what the legislation calls for. Your software claims that the map is defective because five 'building blocks' have not been assigned to a ward, and one ward has non-contiguous building blocks. I have constructed this map on a high-quality university desktop, and at maximum magnification it shows no empty building blocks, and no example of a non-contiguous block. If you can show me where these defects are to be found, I will correct them.