

Representation Review Report

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Invitation for public comment by 31 March 2017

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Public Consultation Program

At its meeting held on 27 February 2017, the Council adopted the Representation Review Report for the purpose of public consultation to be conducted over the period 7 March 2017 to 31 March 2017 (3 weeks consultation period).

The consultation arrangements have been advertised in the following publications:

- The Government Gazette on Tuesday 7 March 2017;
- The Advertiser on Tuesday 7 March 2017;
- East Torrens Messenger Newspaper on Wednesday 8 March 2017; and
- Eastern Courier Messenger Newspaper on Wednesday 8 March 2017.

Details of the consultation arrangements are also available from the Council's website: npsp.sa.gov.au

Copies of the Representation Report are available from the Council's website, the Council's Customer Service Centre and the Libraries.

Interested parties are invited to address their comments to:

Elector Representation Review
City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters

Via:

- Post: PO Box 204, Kent Town SA 5071
- Email: townhall@npsp.sa.gov.au
- In person: Customer Service Centre, Norwood Town Hall,
175 The Parade, Norwood

Any person who makes a written submission will be given the opportunity to address the Council either in person or by a representative at a Council meeting to be held on 10 April 2017.

SUBMISSIONS CLOSE AT 5 PM ON FRIDAY 31 MARCH 2017

1. Introduction

All South Australian Councils are required to undertake a review of elector representation (Representation Review) in accordance with a schedule gazetted by the Minister for Local Government. The City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters has commenced its review with completion due by April 2017.

This Report sets out the Council's proposed elector representation arrangements.

1.1 Legislative requirements

Section 12 of the Local Government Act (the Act) details the requirements for undertaking a Representation Review. Also Section 26 and 33 of the Act list matters that must be considered if it is proposed to have wards.

1.2 Matters to be considered

The Representation Review is required to address issues around the composition of the Council and the advantages and disadvantages of various options. The matters to be considered are:

- How should the Principal Member of the Council be chosen – election by all electors or appointed by Council?
- What is the appropriate number of Elected Members to ensure fair and adequate representation?
- Should the Council area be divided into wards and how should Councillors be elected?
- Is there a need to change ward boundaries and/or ward names?

In addition, if wards are going to be retained or introduced the following points must be considered:

- Communities of interest;
- Population of the wards;
- Topography of the wards;
- Feasibility of communication between electors and the Ward Councillors; and
- Substantial demographic changes that may occur in the foreseeable future
- Ensuring adequate and fair representation while at the same time avoiding over-representation.

The consideration of wards requires the adherence of the principle of ward quotas. The number of electors represented by a Ward Councillor must not vary from the ward quota by more than 10%.

1.3 The Representation Review process

In summary the Council is required to undertake the following steps:

(1) Arrange for the preparation of a Representation Options Paper

The Council appointed Terry Bruun, Principal Consultant, Sustainable Outcomes in accordance with Section 12(5) of the Act to prepare the Representation Options Paper. The Paper was completed in November 2016 and was prepared in accordance with all legislative requirements and generally follows the framework included in the Electoral Commission SA's publication *Undertaking an Elector Representation Review: Guidelines for Councils*.

(2) Release the Representation Options Paper for public consultation (a minimum period of six (6) weeks)

At its meeting held on 7 November 2016, the Council adopted the Representation Options Paper for the purpose of conducting public consultation. The Options Paper was available for comment from 16 November 2016 to Friday 20 January 2017. Details of the public consultation program are presented in section 4.2 of this Report.

(3) Review the results of the public consultation on the Representation Options Paper and prepare a Representation Review Report which presents Council's preferred representation arrangements (with supporting arguments)

These matters are detailed in the later sections of the Report.

(4) Release the Representation Review Report for public consultation (a minimum period of three (3) weeks)

The Council endorsed the Representation Review Report at its meeting of 27 February 2017, and the consultation will be conducted over the period of 7 March 2017 to 31 March 2017. The details of the current consultation program are presented on page 3.

The following steps will be followed after the completion of the Representation Review Report consultation period concludes on Friday 31 March 2017

(5) Review the results of the public consultation and provide the opportunity for people to present their views to the Council at a meeting scheduled for 10 April 2017;

(6) Adopt a representation structure based on the results of the consultation and prepare a final Representation Review Report. The Council Meeting of 18 April is scheduled for this purpose;

(7) Submit the final Representation Review Report to the Electoral Commissioner of South Australia to obtain a certificate of compliance;

(8) Subject to receiving the certificate of compliance, place a notice in the Government Gazette for the operation of the new arrangements.

Any changes as a result of the Representation Review will take effect for the next Local Government periodic election to be held in November 2018 subject to all conditions being satisfied.

2. Council Profile

The City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters was formed by the amalgamation of the former City of Kensington and Norwood, the City of Payneham and the Town of St Peters in November 1997.

The City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters covers an area of 15.1 km² with a resident population of more than 36,600 people across 21 suburbs.

There are over 3,000 small to medium businesses which are generally concentrated in a number of precincts throughout the City. Major retail precincts include The Parade, Magill Road, Payneham Road and the Glynde Corner, with district-level shopping centres located at The Avenues, Firlle and Marden. The City also features professional, manufacturing and light industry business precincts and contains more than 6,000 home-based businesses, all significant contributors to both the state and local economy.

The City has a significant number of natural assets including four creeks and more than 180 hectares of open space, encompassing 69 parks and reserves.

The City contains many excellent examples of South Australia's residential and commercial built heritage from the Victorian era and beyond. This built heritage features 73 state and 667 local heritage places, as well as nearly 1,500 contributory items across the City.

3. Current Representation Structure

The outcomes from the two (2) previous Representation Reviews are presented in Table 1 below. Following the review conducted in 2008/09, the number of Wards was reduced from 7 to 6, and the number of Elected Members was reduced from 16 to 14. This is the Council structure currently in place.

Table1: Outcomes from the two (2) previous Representation Reviews

Effective from	Number of Wards	Number of Ward Councillors	Number of Elected Members (Mayor & Councillors)
2002	7	15	16
2009	6	13	14

The Council currently comprises an elected Mayor and 13 Ward Councillors elected across 6 Wards as presented in Table 2.

Table 2: Number of Councillors by Ward

Ward	Number of Councillors
St Peters	2
Torrens	2
Payneham	2
Maylands/Trinity	3
West Norwood/Kent Town	2
Kensington	2
Total	13

The current Ward boundaries are displayed in Map A.

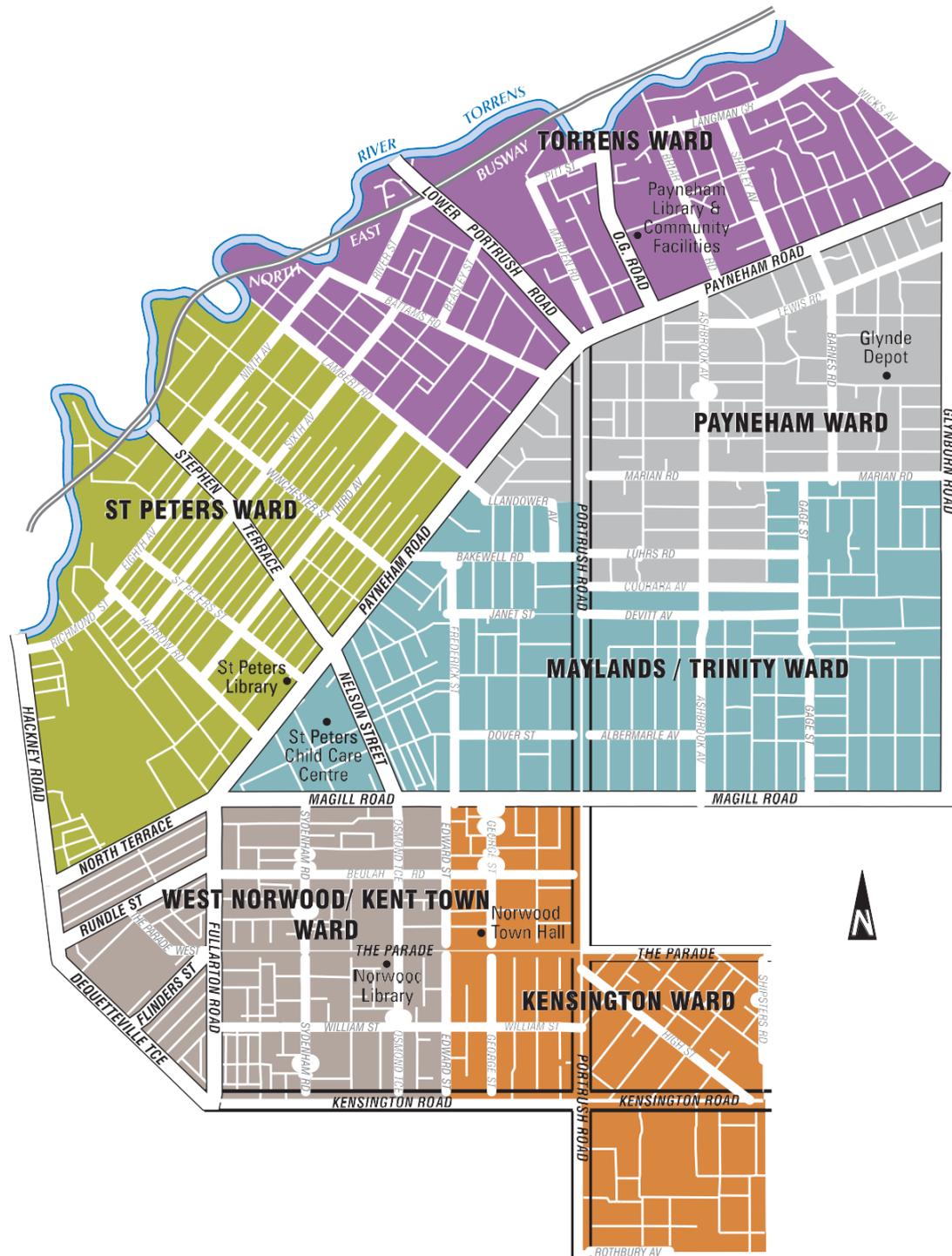
The current Ward structure recognises and aligns with the suburb boundaries (maintains suburb integrity) with two exceptions:

- The suburb of Norwood is divided between the West Norwood/Kent Town Ward (majority proportion) and the Kensington Ward; and
- The suburb of Payneham South is divided between the Payneham Ward (majority proportion) and the Maylands/Trinity Ward.

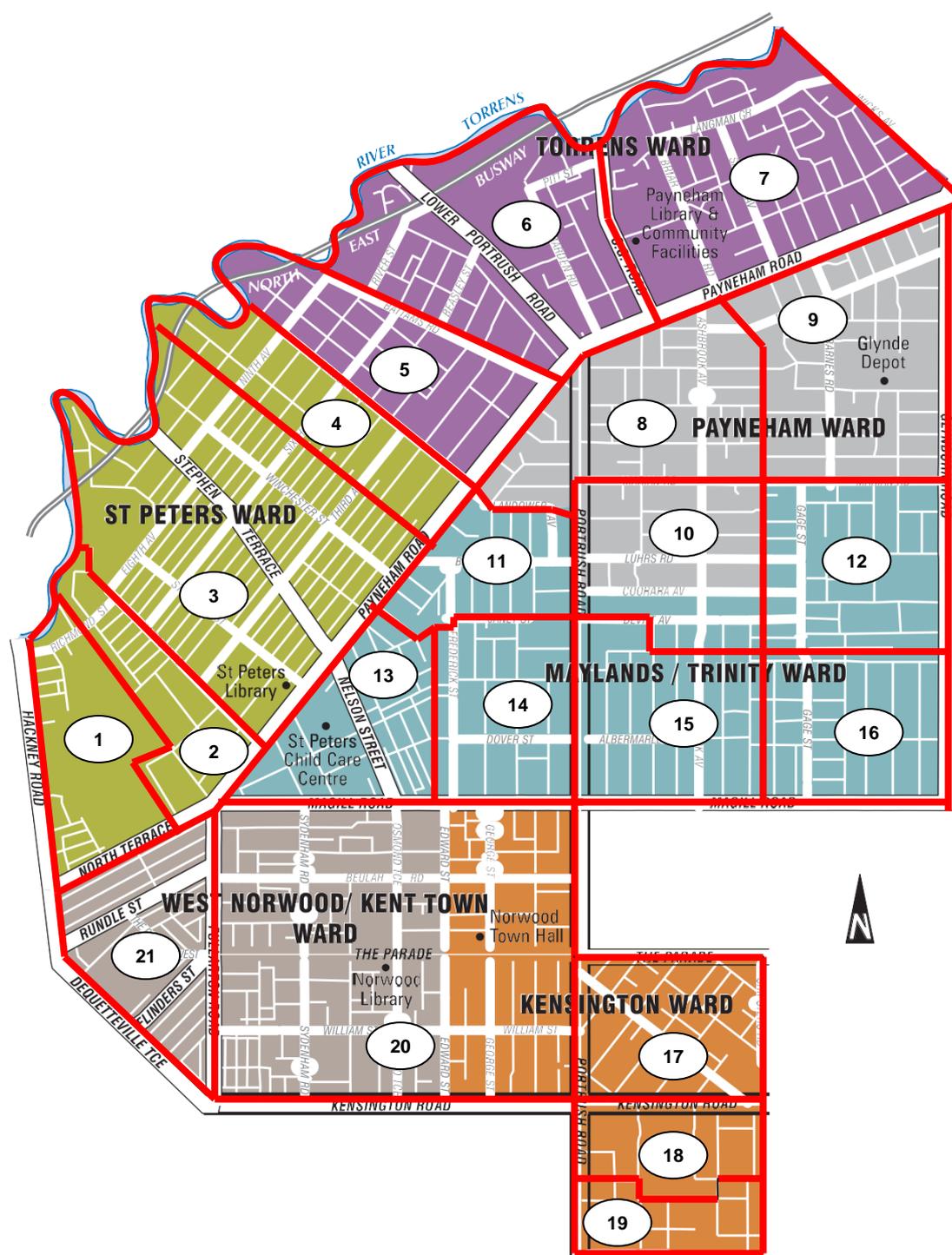
Map B pictorially presents this information.

The current Ward structure also generally reflects local communities of interest although there is no evidence to support this view/perception.

Map A: Current Ward Boundaries



Map B: Current Ward Boundaries and Suburb Boundaries



1. Hackney	8. Payneham	15. Trinity Gardens
2. College Park	9. Glynde	16. St Morris
3. St Peters	10. Payneham South	17. Kensington
4. Joslin	11. Evandale	18. Marryatville
5. Royston Park	12. Firle	19. Heathpool
6. Marden	13. Stepney	20. Norwood
7. Felixstow	14. Maylands	21. Kent Town

As at August 2016, there were 25,380 electors on the Council’s Voters Roll. The Roll is a combination of:

- (1) The State House of Assembly Roll. Electors on the State House of Assembly Roll are automatically on the Council Voters Roll for the Council area in which the enrolled address is located.
- (2) The Council’s Supplementary Roll. To be eligible to be on the Council’s Supplementary Roll a person needs to be a landlord, organisation, business owner or occupier, or resident non-Australian citizen in the Council area, and application for enrolment must be made from January 1 of every election year.

Table 3 below summarises the elector numbers for the Council’s Voters Roll.

Table 3: Number of Electors on the Council’s Voters Roll

Ward	Number of electors as at August 2016		
	House of Assembly Roll	Council’s Supplementary Roll	Total
St Peters	4,310	9	4,319
Torrens	3,962	16	3,978
Payneham	3,789	8	3,797
Maylands/Trinity	5,941	25	5,966
West Norwood/Kent Town	3,545	27	3,572
Kensington	3,679	69	3,748
Total	25,226	154	25,380

Source: Electoral Commission SA

It is a requirement under the Act (refer Section 33(2)) that the average number of electors represented by a Councillor within all of the current Wards is within the specified 10% quota. Table 4 highlights that the St Peters Ward varies from the quota by +10.6% and therefore there is a need to change the boundary for the St Peters Ward as part of this Review.

Table 4: Representation information

Ward	Number of Councillors	August 2016		
		Number of electors #	Number of electors per Councillor	Variation from quota
St Peters	2	4,319	2,160	+10.6%
Torrens	2	3,978	1,989	+1.9%
Payneham	2	3,797	1,899	-2.8%
Maylands/Trinity	3	5,966	1,989	+1.9%
West Norwood/Kent Town	2	3,572	1,786	-8.5%
Kensington	2	3,748	1,874	-4.0%
	13	25,380	1,952 (Quota)	-

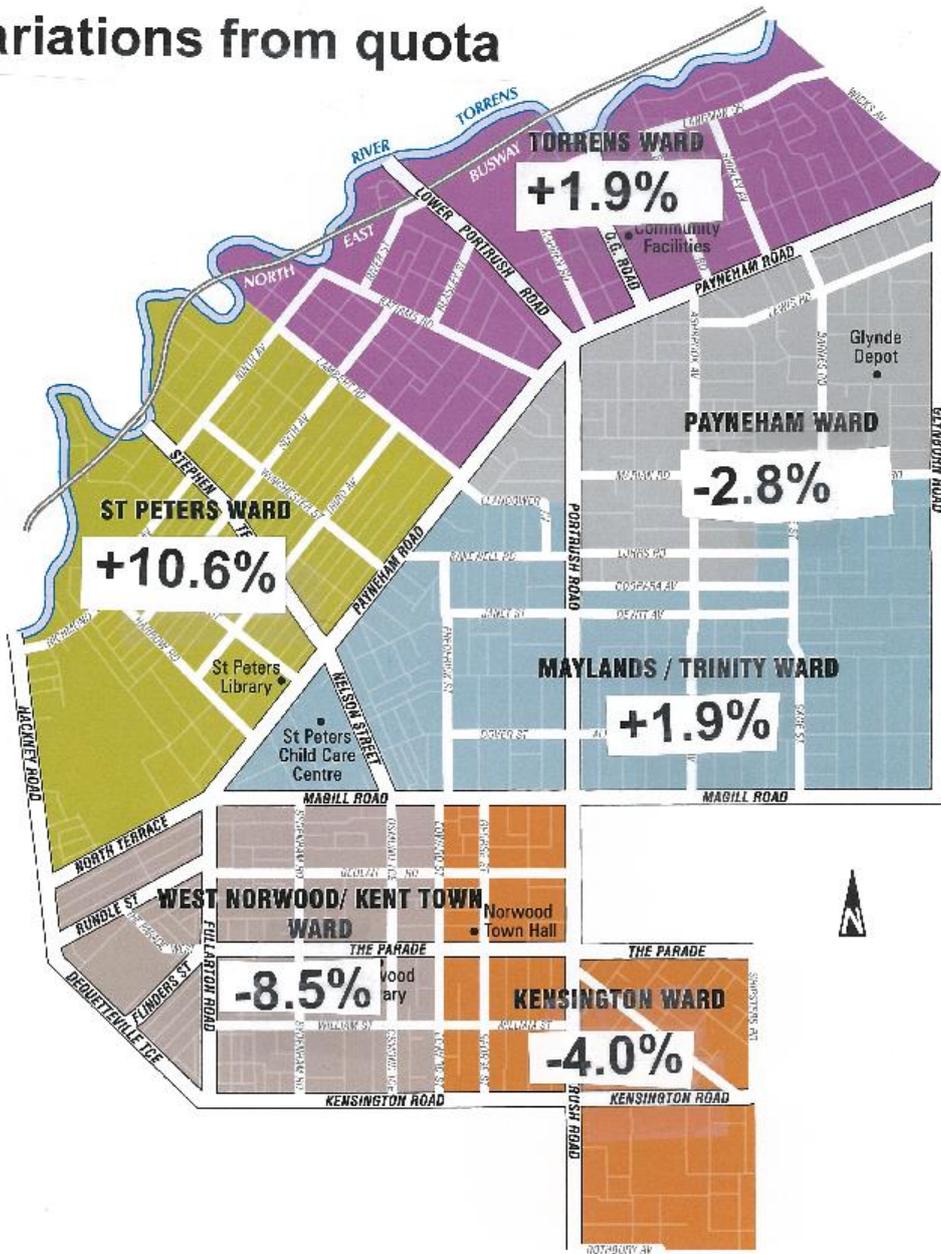
House of Assembly Roll plus Council’s Supplementary Roll

Source: Electoral Commission SA

The details in Table 4 are represented in Map C.

Map C

Variations from quota



4. Representation Options Paper

At its meeting held on 7 November 2016, the Council adopted the Representation Options Paper for the purpose of conducting public consultation. The Options Paper was available for comment from 16 November 2016 to Friday 20 January 2017.

4.1 Options presented in the Options Paper

The Representation Options Paper provided the arguments for and against the following options:

(1) Principal Member of Council

Options
(a) Mayor elected by all electors (<i>current</i>)
(b) Chairperson appointed by the Councillors

(2) Number of Elected Members

Options
14 (<i>current</i>)
13
12
11
10
9

(3) Number of wards

Options
6 (<i>current</i>)
5
4
3
No wards

(4) Ward options and number of Councillors

Retain 6 wards and 13 councillors		
<i>Reference in the Options Paper</i>	<i>Number of Wards</i>	<i>Number of Councillors</i>
1	6	13
2	6	13
3	6	13
4	6	13
Various options for a lesser number of wards and lesser number of councillors		
A	5	11
B	4	11
C	5	10
D	4	9
E	6	12
F	6	12

(5) Change of ward name

Should the current ward structure be essentially retained, there is an option to change the name of the Kensington Wards to the Kensington/East Norwood Ward.

4.2 Consultation Program

The consultation program was conducted over the period Wednesday 16 November 2016 to Friday 20 January 2017 (9 weeks). The legislated minimum period of 6 weeks was extended to 9 weeks to allow for part of the consultation period spanning the Christmas/New Year period.

The consultation arrangements were advertised in the following publications:

- The Advertiser (16 November 2016);
- East Torrens Messenger Newspaper (16 November 2016);
- Eastern Courier Messenger Newspaper (16 November 2016); and
- The Government Gazette (8 December 2016).

Details of the consultation arrangements were also publicised on the Council's website: npsp.sa.gov.au

Copies of the Representation Options Paper were available from the Council's website, the Council's Customer Service Centre and the Libraries.

A public information session was held on Wednesday 23 November 2016 in the Mayor's Parlour, Norwood Town Hall.

Interested parties were invited to address their comments to:

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Via:

- Post: PO Box 204, Kent Town SA 5071
- Email: townhall@npsp.sa.gov.au
- In person: Customer Service Centre, Norwood Town Hall,
175 The Parade, Norwood

In addition a Representation Review Community Survey Form was available from the Council's website or the Customer Service Centre. A copy of the Form is included at Appendix A.

4.3 Submissions/responses

A submission (using the Feedback Form) was received from Mr M Wallis-Smith of Norwood. A copy of the submission is included at Appendix B.

In summary, the respondent favours:

- the election of the Mayor by all electors;
- retention of the current number of 14 Elected Members;
- retention of the current number of 6 Wards; and
- no change to the current Ward boundaries.

A late submission was accepted from the Preserve Kent Town Association (PKTA). A copy of the submission is included at Appendix C.

In summary, the respondent favours:

- the election of the Mayor by all electors;
- retention of the current number of 14 Elected Members;
- retention of the current number of 6 Wards; and
- no change to the current Ward boundaries.

Should there be a need to change the ward boundaries, the PKTA submission favours Option 4 which would involve transferring part of the suburb of Hackney to the West Norwood/Kent Town Ward.

5. Representation Structure Proposal

5.1 Proposal

After considering the legislative provisions, options and supporting information presented in the Representation Options Paper and the submissions, the Council proposes to adopt the following electoral structure:

- The Principal Member of Council continue to be a Mayor elected by all electors;
- The Council area be divided into six wards as described below and depicted in Map D; and
- The elected body comprise a total of 13 Ward Councillors as summarised in Table 5.

The geographical description of the wards is summarised as follows:

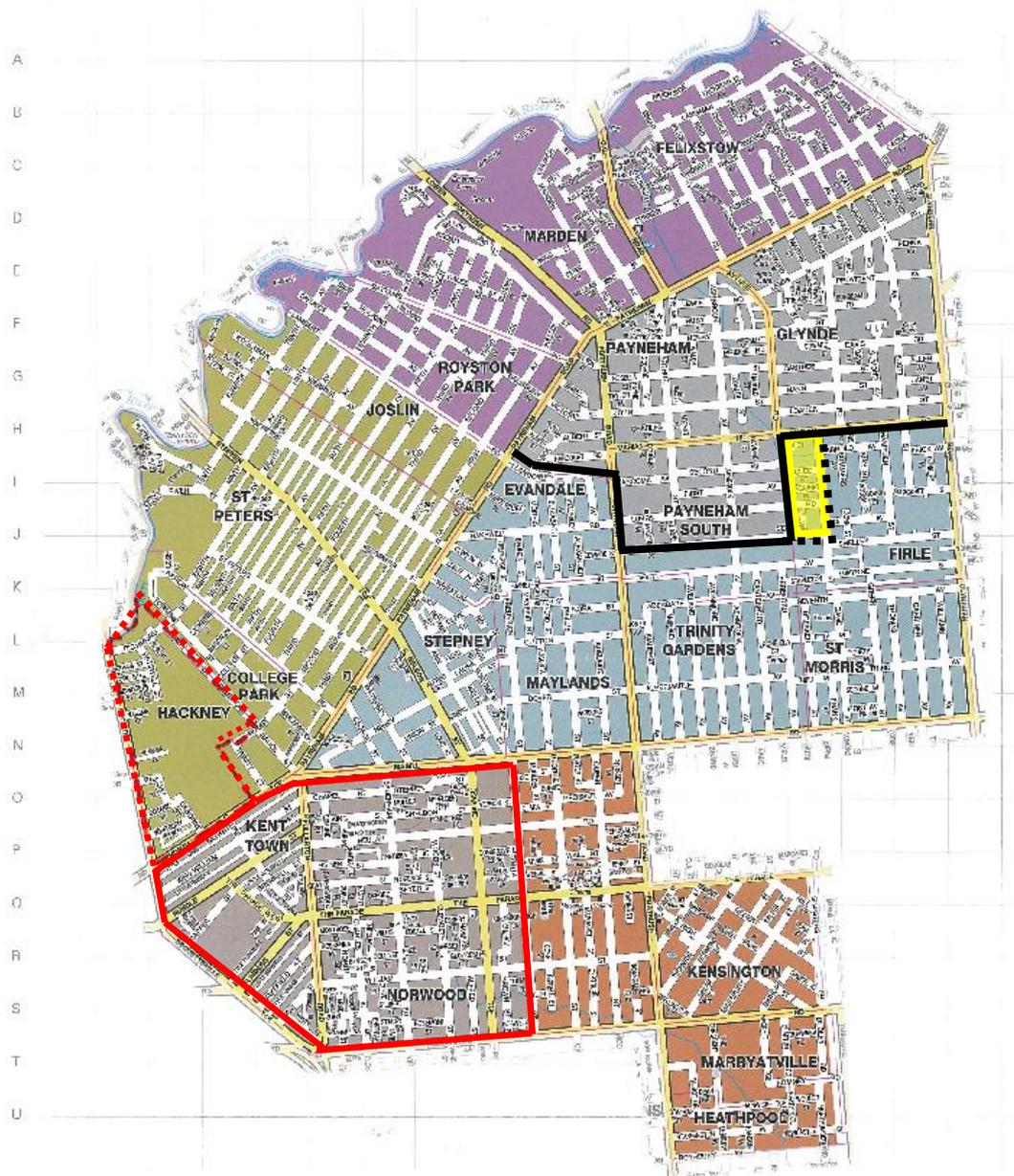
- No changes to the Torrens and Kensington Wards;
- Transfer of the whole of the suburb of Hackney from the St Peters Ward to the West Norwood/Kent Town Ward; and
- Minor realignment of part of the existing boundary between the Payneham Ward and the Maylands/Trinity Ward to form a proposed new section of the boundary between the two Wards. Description - Extend the Payneham Ward boundary to the east along Coorara Av over the suburb boundary between Payneham South and Firlie to Gage St, follow Gage St to the north until Marian Rd, and then follow Marian Rd to the west until Marian Rd meets Avenue Rd.

Table 5: Elector representation ratios under the Council's proposal

Ward	Number of Councillors	Option 1		
		Total electors	Electors per Councillor	Variation from Quota
St Peters	2	3,896	1,948	-0.2%
Torrens	2	3,978	1,989	+1.9%
Payneham	2	3,922	1,961	+0.5%
Maylands/Trinity	3	5,841	1,947	-0.3%
West Norwood/Kent Town	2	3,995	1,998	+2.3%
Kensington	2	3,748	1,874	-4.0%
	13	25,380	1,952	-

Map D: Proposed Wards and Boundaries

- No changes to the Torrens and Kensington Wards
- Transfer of the whole of the suburb of Hackney (.....) from the St Peters Ward to the West Norwood/Kent Town Ward (—)
- Minor realignment of part of the existing boundary between the Payneham Ward and the Maylands/Trinity Ward (—) to form a proposed new section of the Ward boundary (.....). The affected area is shown as 



5.2 Rationale for the Council's preferred option

5.2.1 The Principal Member of Council

The Council gave consideration to the two (2) options in regard to the office of the Principal Member of Council:

- (1) Elected by electors from the whole of the Council area as the Mayor; and
- (2) Appointed by and from within the Councillors for a period of no more than four (4) years (as determined by the Council) and given the title of either Chairperson or another title determined by the Council (eg Mayor).

In its deliberation of the two (2) options, and in its support for the chosen preference for an elected Mayor, the Council took into account the following matters:

- The role of the Principal Member is the same under both options with one point of difference:
 - An elected Mayor does not have a deliberative vote on a matter being considered by the Council but if the vote is tied, has a casting vote
 - An appointed Chairperson has a deliberative vote but does not have a casting vote;
- All 18 South Australian metropolitan Councils have an elected Mayor;
- An elected Mayor has been the arrangement for the present Council since its formation and the arrangement has served the community well;
- The two (2) submissions favoured an elected Mayor; and
- As a result of the Council's assessment, it formed the view that overall the arguments supporting an elected Mayor outweighed the arguments for an appointed Principal Member.

The advantages and disadvantages for the two options are summarised below:

Advantages of an elected Mayor:

- The Mayor can claim to represent the broader electorate in a specific role as community leader and spokesperson;
- Having that broader representative position is sometimes seen as being important when dealing with other bodies or other spheres of government; and
- More likely to provide stable and continuous Council and community leadership.

Disadvantages of an elected Mayor:

- Requires an election across the whole Council area if more than one nomination is received and this incurs some additional costs;
- Candidates for the office of Mayor cannot also stand for election as a Councillor and therefore a highly qualified candidate, if unsuccessful, will be lost to Council.

Advantages of an appointed Principal Member:

- Reflects a “Westminster” protocol of governance of selecting a leader from within the elected group;
- The Principal Member is more likely to represent the majority views of the Councillors when dealing with external parties; and
- Provides flexibility and the opportunity for a number of Elected Members to gain experience as the Principal Member over the term of the Council.

Disadvantages of an appointed Principal Member:

- Electors do not have a direct say in the appointment;
- If there are Wards, the Chairperson will also have Ward responsibilities; and
- The Principal Member could be beholden to factions within the elected body.

5.2.2 Wards versus no Wards

Section 12(6)(b) of the Act dealing with representation reviews requires a council to consider the question:

“if the area of the council is divided into wards, should the division of the area into wards be abolished”.

It its deliberation of this question, and in its support for the chosen preference to continue with a ward structure, the Council took into account the following matters:

- 16 of the 18 South Australian metropolitan Councils have a ward structure;
- A ward structure has been the arrangement for the present Council since its formation and the arrangement has served the community well;
- The two (2) submissions favoured a ward structure; and
- As a result of the Council’s assessment, it formed the view that overall the arguments supporting a ward structure outweighed the arguments for the abolition of wards.

Popular or common arguments put forward to support a Ward structure include:

- Voters within a smaller area or community are more likely to know candidates for Ward elections than candidates standing for the whole of the Council area;
- People within local communities would be more confident that Councillors elected from a Ward would have greater awareness of local issues and therefore likely to provide a more informed position of representation;
- Wards guarantee some form and level of direct representation to all existing communities of interest;
- Ward Councillors can focus on local issues;
- Under the no Wards structure a single interest group could gain considerable representation on Council;
- Concern Council-wide elections under a no Wards structure will not guarantee that Elected Members will have any empathy for, or affiliation with, all communities across the whole Council area;
- The task and expense of contesting Council-wide elections could be prohibitive, and therefore may deter appropriate/quality candidates;
- Under the no Wards structure the Council has to conduct elections and supplementary elections across the whole of the Council area (at a significant expense); and
- Under the no Wards structure the more popular or known Councillors may receive more enquiries from the public (i.e. inequitable workloads).

Arguments supporting the abolition of wards include:

- No Wards is the optimum form of democracy as the electors vote for all of the vacant positions on Council;
- The most supported candidates from across the Council area will likely be elected, rather than candidates who may be favoured by the peculiarities of the Ward based electoral system (e.g. candidates elected unopposed or having attracted less votes than defeated candidates in other wards);
- The Elected Members should be free of parochial Ward attitudes; and
- The lines of communication between the Council and the community should be enhanced, given that members of the community will be able to consult with any and/or all members of the Council, rather than feel obliged to consult with their specific Ward Councillors.

5.2.3 Number of Councillors

Section 12(6)(a) of the Act dealing with representation reviews requires a council to examine the question:

“if the council is constituted of more than 12 members – examine the question of whether the number of members should be reduced”.

Given that the City of Norwood Payneham St Peters Council currently has 14 Elected Members (the Mayor and 13 Ward Councillors), the question of whether the number of Members should be reduced was examined by the Council.

This matter is related to the Ward structure which is addressed in section 5.2.4. The Council proposes 14 Elected Members (the Mayor and 13 Councillors representing 6 Wards).

In considering a possible reduction in the number of Members, the Council took into account the following factors:

- The need to provide fair and adequate representation;
- A sufficient number of Elected Members are available to manage the affairs of Council;
- The Elected Members' workloads do not become excessive;
- There is an appropriate level of elector representation;
- A diversity in Member's skill sets, experience and backgrounds is maintained;
- There are adequate lines of communication will exist between the community and Council.

5.2.4 Ward Structure and Number of Councillors

It is a requirement under the Act (refer Section 33(2)) that the average number of electors represented by a Ward Councillor is within the specified 10% quota. Table 6 highlights that the St Peters Ward varies from the quota by +10.6% and therefore there is a need to change the boundary for the St Peters Ward.

The West Norwood/Kent Town Ward is close to the 10% quota at -8.5% and the opportunity has been taken as part of the review to propose a change to the Ward boundary to ensure it remains comfortably with the quota.

Table 6

Ward	Number of Councillors	August 2016		
		Number of electors #	Number of electors per Councillor	Variation from quota
St Peters	2	4,319	2,160	+10.6%
Torrens	2	3,978	1,989	+1.9%
Payneham	2	3,797	1,899	-2.8%
Maylands/Trinity	3	5,966	1,989	+1.9%
West Norwood/Kent Town	2	3,572	1,786	-8.5%
Kensington	2	3,748	1,874	-4.0%
	13	25,380	1,952 (Quota)	-

House of Assembly Roll plus Council's Supplementary Roll

Source: Electoral Commission SA

The Act (section 33(1)) requires the consideration of the following criteria when reviewing or formulating ward boundaries and this criteria was applied by the Council in its consideration of ward boundaries:

- (a) Communities of interest of an economic, social, regional or other kind;
- (b) Population of the area and each ward;
- (c) Topography of the area and each ward;
- (d) The ease and convenience of communication between electors and Councillors;
- (e) The nature of substantial demographic changes that may occur in the near future; and
- (f) Ensuring adequate and fair representation while at the same time avoiding over-representation compared to other similar Councils.

In addition, suburbs are a very effective and practical way to 'build' wards. The current Ward structure is based on suburbs with some exceptions to achieve the quota. Refer Map B. This matter was also taken into account in assessing the options.

The Council has given consideration to comparisons of key electoral representation indicators with other councils of a similar size and type. The Council has noted that care must be exercised when interpreting the results of comparison between councils because of the different council and community circumstances, issues and priorities that exist in each of the councils and the council areas.

For the purposes of comparison, the councils of similar size and type to the City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters (NP&SP) are considered to be:

- City of Burnside;
- City of Holdfast Bay;
- City of Unley.

This selection is based on consideration of the following variables:

- Size – electoral structure/physical characteristics of the area; and
- Type – population density/community characteristics.

The electoral representation indicators chosen for comparison are:

- Number of Elected Members; and
- Elector representation ratio.

For completeness, comparisons are made for the selected councils and all metropolitan councils.

Based on the Council's current structure, Table 7 highlights the following points:

- Councils with the higher number of electors have the higher number of Elected Members, and generally Councils with the lower number of electors have a lower number of Elected Members
- With 14 Elected Members NP&SP is at the higher end of the Councils with electors in the range 20,000 to 30,000 but compares more favourably when considered in the range 20,000 to 50,000 electors
- In comparison with other Councils of similar elector numbers –
 - Holdfast Bay – 27,327 with 13 Elected Members
 - Unley – 27,483 with 13 Elected Members
 - Burnside – 31,827 with 13 Elected MembersNP&SP (25,098 and 14 Elected Members) is generally similar.
- In general terms Councils with the higher number of electors have a higher elector representation ratio and Councils with the lower number of electors have a lower elector representation ratio
- In comparison with other Councils of similar elector numbers –
 - Holdfast Bay – 27,327 with elector representation ratio of 2,102
 - Unley – 27,483 with elector representation ratio of 2,114
 - Burnside – 31,827 with elector representation ratio of 2,448NP&SP (25,098 and elector representation ratio of 1,792) is at the lower end.

Table 7: Representation information and council information for all metropolitan Councils *in order of elector representation ratio*

Council	Representation information (i)			Number of Wards	Council information (ii)		
	Number of electors	Number of Elected Members (Mayor & Councillors)	Electoral representation ratio		Area (Sq Km)	Population	Population density
Town of Walkerville	5,449	9	605	0	4	7,673	1,918
Town of Gawler	16,507	11	1,500	0	41	22,618	552
City of Prospect	14,721	9	1,635	4	8	21,416	2,677
City of Norwood Paynehan & St Peters	25,098	14	1,793	6	15	37,350	2,490
Adelaide City Council	24,856	12	2,071	3 (iii)	16	23,169	1,448
City of Holdfast Bay	27,327	13	2,102	4	13	37,263	2,866
City of Unley	27,483	13	2,114	6	14	39,324	2,809
City of Burnside	31,827	13	2,448	6	27	45,034	1,668
City of West Torrens	40,134	15	2,675	7	14	58,964	1,594
Campbelltown City Council	34,817	11	3,165	5	24	51,889	2,162
City of Mitcham	47,689	14	3,406	6	76	66,347	873
City of Playford	56,595	16	3,537	6	345	88,222	256
City of Port Adelaide Enfield	79,895	18	4,438	7	97	123,754	1,276
City of Charles Sturt	80,628	17	4,742	8	52	114,209	2,196
City of Marion	62,759	13	4,827	6	56	88,983	1,589
City of Salisbury	91,305	17	5,370	8	158	138,535	877
City of Tea Tree Gully	72,561	13	5,581	5	95	98,861	1,041
City of Onkaparinga	118,774	21	5,655	5	518	168,798	326
Total	858,425	249	3,447	-	1,573	1,195,894	761

(i) Electoral Commission EC (February 2016)

(ii) ABS (2015)

(iii) Plus three Area Councillors

The Council considered the following Ward options and number of Councillors.

Retain 6 Wards and 13 Councillors		
<i>Reference in the Options Paper</i>	<i>Number of Wards</i>	<i>Number of Councillors</i>
1	6	13
2	6	13
3	6	13
4	6	13
Various options for a lesser number of wards and lesser number of councillors		
A	5	11
B	4	11
C	5	10
D	4	9
E	6	12
F	6	12

After careful and thorough consideration of all matters, the Council is proposing Option 1 as described in Table 5 and Map D.

This option would ensure that both the St Peters Ward and West Norwood/Kent Town Ward are well under the quota; and this option closely meets all of the other assessment factors.

In its consideration of the various options and its selection of its preferred option, the Council acknowledged that it is necessary to compromise and balance the assessment factors and issues.

The proposal also incorporates a minor change to the existing boundary between the Payneham Ward and the Maylands/Trinity Ward.

At the time of the 2009 Representation Review the Council adopted a composition and structure which included a specifically defined boundary between the Payneham Ward and the Maylands/Trinity Ward. Unfortunately, some minor aspects of that Ward boundary were not included in the Representation Review Report which was submitted to the Electoral Commission and ultimately approved.

It is now proposed to make the following minor boundary change - Extend the Payneham Ward boundary to the east along Coorara Avenue over the suburb boundary between Payneham South and Firlie to Gage Street, follow Gage Street to the north until Marian Road, and then follow Marian Road to the west until Marian Road meets Avenue Road.

The proposal would result in 125 electors being transferred from the Maylands/Trinity Ward to the Payneham Ward. Overall an improved community of interest would be gained as a result of the proposed change.

5.2.5 Ward Names

Section 13 of the Act specifies the requirements for councils to alter the name of a ward. In summary the process is as follows:

- Give public notice of the proposal
- Conduct a public consultation process (minimum period of six weeks)
- Invite interested parties to be heard at a council meeting
- Publish a notice in the Gazette altering the name of a ward.

This process may be undertaken as part of the representation review process or separately.

The issue of a possible change of name for the Kensington Ward was raised in the Options Paper and no objections were raised during the consultation period. The Council now has the option of proposing a change of name for the existing Kensington Ward to Kensington/East Norwood.

This matter will be considered further by the Council at the conclusion of the Representation Review.

City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters

Representation Review Community Survey Form

You are invited to complete this survey form if you wish to comment on the Representations Options Paper.

Options

(1) Principal Member of Council

<i>Option</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
(a) Mayor elected by all electors <i>or</i>	
(b) Chairperson appointed by the Councillors	

Comments:

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(2) Number of Elected Members

<i>Number of Elected Members</i>	<i>Level of support (High (H), Medium (M), Low (L))</i>
14 (current)	
13	
12	
11	
10	
9	

Comments:

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(3) Number of wards

Number of Wards	Level of support (High (H), Medium (M), Low (L))
6 (current)	
5	
4	
3	
No wards	

Comments:

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(4) Ward options

Option	Number of Wards	Number of Councillors	Level of support (High (H), Medium (M), Low (L))
Current	6	13	
1	6	13	
2	6	13	
3	6	13	
4	6	13	
A	5	11	
B	4	11	
C	5	10	
D	4	9	

Comments:

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Other comments

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Suburb:

Ward:

If you would like to receive further information as the process proceeds please provide you name, postal address and/or email address

Name:

Postal address:
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Email:

Completed survey forms can be returned by any of the following means:

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City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters

Via:

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Closing date: Friday 20 January 2017

Thank you for your interest in the Representation Review

City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters

Representation Review – Draft Options Paper
Feedback Form

You are invited to complete this feedback form to provide comment on the Council's Representation Options Paper. Please indicate your preferred options below.

CITY OF NORWOOD, PAYNEHAM & ST PETERS	
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Options

(1) Principal Member of Council

Option	Yes/No
(a) Mayor elected by all electors or	✓
(b) Chairperson appointed by the Councillors	

Comments:

The Mayor speaks for the City so he/she should be elected by all electors. The Mayor should report to the community with a written report at a public meeting and answer questions. At present he/she is not seen to be accountable. Should also meet with electors twice a year to answer questions.

(2) Number of Elected Members

Number of Elected Members	Level of Support (High (H), Medium (M), Low (L))
14 (current)	H
13	
12	
11	
10	
9	

Comments:

Our City requires many elected members - why? The wards are different with different attributes and composition. One size does not fit all with all planning requirements however the waste collection, library are homogeneous and should continue across the city as regional services. As for access - Elected members are not accessible nor do they make the effort to contact/listen to electors. They should be required to do this every 6 months at public meeting. Responses should be circulated in the local paper. Health reports should be public and readily available - if a ward does not meet health requirements we need to know that!

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(3) Number of wards

Number of Wards	Level of support (High (H), Medium (M), Low (L))
6 (current)	H
5	
4	
3	
No Wards	

Comments:

Wards are different e.g. West Norwood / Kent Town has
 lot of low rise dwellings, heritage buildings and mixed land use it
 very different from St. Peter's which is largely expensive dwellings.

Kensington Ward is large historical / heritage and there should
 be no high rise. The Parade could become a
 pedestrian mall for part of the area around

(4) Ward options

Option	Number of Wards	Number of Councillors	Level of support (High (H), Medium (M), Low (L))
Current	6	13	H
1	6	13	
2	6	13	
3	6	13	
4	6	13	
A	5	11	
B	4	11	
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Town Hall.

Comments:

1) What happens in other cities in Adelaide is
 NOT relevant to Norwood, Norwood is unique.
 We need to retain its heritage, character and charm
 as well as its mix of land uses.

2) However the ^{Local} Chair of Health Committee should be
 required to report to community on conditions in the cafes and
 restaurants that do not meet health requirements.

This information should be public!

In many ways we lost the sense of community and communication we had in the 70's and 80's - reducing the number of elected members will continue this trend.

Other comments

Ward Council should be required to report to the community at two public meetings each year to answer Q's and listen to elector issues.

* A key problem at the present is the minister ignores the local community in planning matters!
If you would like to receive further information as the process proceeds please provide your name, postal address and/or email address

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Appendix C

From: margaret faulkner [mailto:margfaulkner@hotmail.com]
Sent: Monday, February 13, 2017 6:43 PM
To: Lisa Mara
Subject: Re: Is it too late for PKTA to make a submission for the representation review?

Hi Lisa

Thanks for letting our view be considered. Here are my notes from reading the documents. We would prefer the wards and structure to remain the same, but as this is not an option then the following is our view as per our Preserve Kent Town Association meeting in December:

If the substantial developments underway in our suburb are increasing our population in this ward this should be taken into consideration in future plans for the size of our ward. Given the potential for more electors when new developments are completed, option 4 appears the best alternative proposed.

In regard to other areas outlined on your feedback form. Please consider our view to be retaining the current system, i.e. mayor voted by all electors, 14 members to represent residents, 13 councillors and 6 wards.

We also think that as Kent Town has a mix of business/residents the numbers of registered voters under estimates the actual number of people/businesses that require representation.

I believe that originally the number of actual businesses were considered but now it is only those that take the time to register that are counted. However, our representatives would need to consider everyone when making informed decisions.

Given the higher probability of more residents entering Kent Town to most other council areas, and the number of businesses in the ward we are concerned about representation being viable with other options.

Kind regards

Margaret Faulkner
President, PKTA