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My Objections to the Proposed Electorate Boundary & Proposed Name as it relates to the Proposed Electorate of Rānui.

OBECTION TO THE PROPOSED BOUNDARY

- 1. I respectfully submit Massey North move into the proposed Rānui electorate.
- 2. The proposed boundary of Rānui is currently based around communities of Henderson, Rānui, Massey and Massey East. In particular, an additional population is gained from Upper Harbour around Massey and Massey East and population from Kaipara ki Mahurangi (rural area west of Massey and an area in the north of Massey).
- 3. Massey North (or the area based north of Massey) is a community based around Royal Road School, Kowai Ridge and Royal Heights.
- 4. I propose that all of Massey North move into the proposed Rānui electorate.
- 5. The current proposal would divide communities that are zoned for Royal Road School. I **attach** and **mark** with the letter "A" a copy of the InZone Map for Royal Road School.
- 6. If you compare the boundary maps to the Inzone Map for Royal Road School, you will notice which communities (in particular, the top half) will be left out. In my humble opinion, it makes sense to include those communities North of Massey into the proposed Rānui electorate, to include communities in school zone.
- 7. By moving Massey North completely into Rānui, could allow for Glenfield and Bayview to be absorb/moved into the Upper Harbour electorate while still maintaining allowable quotas and better aligns communities of interest.

OBJECTION TO THE PROPOSED NAME

- 8. I respectfully submit that this proposed electorate be named:
 - a. Lincoln; or alternatively
 - b. Henderson.
- The proposed name of Lincoln is taken from the name Lincoln Road, a major arterial route in West Auckland that runs between Henderson and the Northwestern Motorway.
- 10. As a major arterial, it helps to provide access to employment, education, hospitals, and local centres and the Lincoln bus interchange connecting and servicing communities from areas within (and who travel through) the proposed electorate.
- 11. Lincoln would be a distinct and identifiable name given its association to Lincoln Road and would be of greater significance for those communities who are likely to fall within the proposed boundary rather than Rānui that is a particular suburb of West Auckland.
- 12. The name Lincoln is straightforward and easy to remember and would greatly assist the communities awareness of the newly proposed boundary.
- 13. Alternatively, I would propose **Henderson** as an alternative to Lincoln.
- 14. Similar to Lincoln, the name Henderson has local significance and is identifiable to West Auckland with strong historical ties for those who are familiar with its historical significance.
- 15. Henderson is also relatively central geographically.
- 16. Henderson is also a suburb in West Auckland. The reason I would submit this name as the alternative is that while it is potentially fitting and familiar for some communities, the proposed boundary change may may not be significant for the communities which are likely form part of the proposed electorate boundary (in particular, the areas of Swanson, Massey and Massey East).

