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**Proposed  
redistribution  
of the ACT into  
electorates for the  
ACT Legislative  
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**Redistribution Committee for the Australian Capital Territory**

**Damian Cantwell — Ben Ponton — Jeffrey Brown — Beidar Cho**



## **Summary of proposed redistribution**

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The 2019 ACT Redistribution Committee proposes, in accordance with section 43 of the *Electoral Act 1992*, that the electoral boundaries in the Australian Capital Territory be as follows:

**Brindabella**, a 5-Member electorate comprising the district of Tuggeranong (excluding the section of the Tuggeranong suburb of Kambah that is East of Drakeford Drive, and that portion of Tuggeranong District between Drakeford Drive and Athllon Drive) and the districts of Booth, Cotter River, Paddy's River, Rendezvous Creek, Tennent and Mount Clear;

**Ginninderra**, a 5-Member electorate comprising the district of Belconnen (excluding the suburbs of Giralang and Kaleen);

**Kurrajong**, a 5-Member electorate comprising the district of Canberra Central (excluding the suburbs of Deakin and Yarralumla), and the districts of Jerrabomberra (including the entire suburb of Hume), Kowen and Majura;

**Murrumbidgee**, a 5-Member electorate comprising the districts of Molonglo Valley, Weston Creek, Woden Valley, Coree (including the village of Uriarra) and Stromlo, the section of the Tuggeranong suburb of Kambah that is East of Drakeford Drive, and that portion of Tuggeranong District between Drakeford Drive and Athllon Drive, and the Canberra Central suburbs of Deakin and Yarralumla; and

**Yerrabi**, a 5-Member electorate comprising the districts of Gungahlin and Hall and the Belconnen District suburbs of Giralang and Kaleen.

## Overall statistical summary

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### Quotas and maximum and minimum numbers of electors

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	<b>ACT total</b>	<b>5 Member electorates</b>
<b>29 March 2019</b>		
Actual enrolment	292,311	
Quota		58,462
Not more than 110% of the quota		64,308
Not less than 90% of the quota		52,616
<b>October 2020</b>		
Projected enrolment	299,081	
Quota		59,816
Not more than 105% of the quota		62,806
Not less than 95% of the quota		56,825

### Proposed electorates: Statistical summary

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<b>Proposed electorate</b>	<b>Number of Members</b>	<b>Enrolment March 2019</b>	<b>% above or below quota 2019</b>	<b>Projected enrolment October 2020</b>	<b>% above or below quota 2020</b>
Brindabella	5	60,846	4.08%	59,247	-0.95%
Ginninderra	5	61,743	5.61%	62,426	4.36%
Kurrajong	5	55,680	-4.76%	57,009	-4.69%
Murrumbidgee	5	57,173	-2.21%	59,150	-1.11%
Yerrabi	5	56,869	-2.73%	61,249	2.40%
ACT total	25	292,311		299,081	

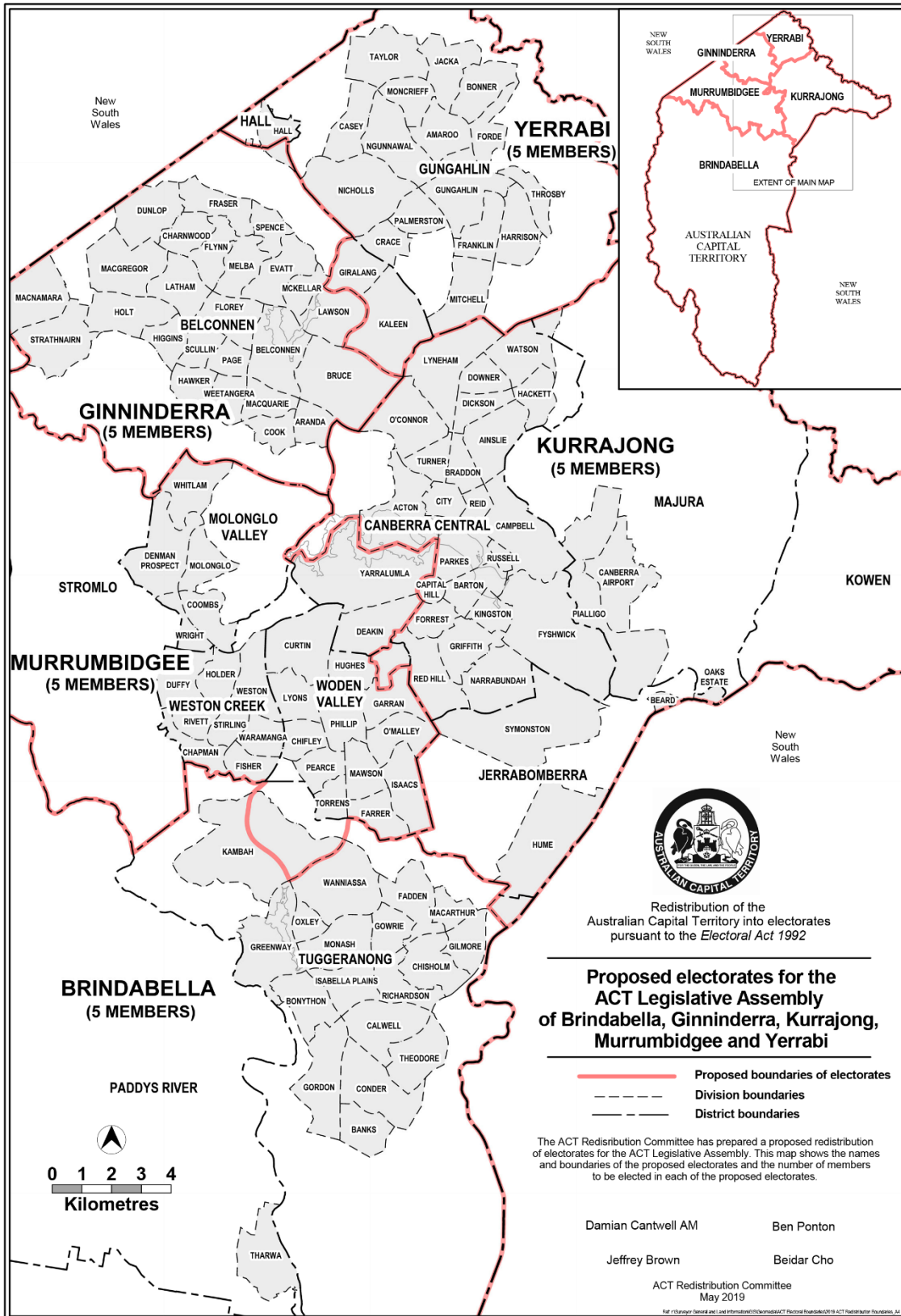
For a detailed breakdown of these statistics see Appendix A.

A map of the proposed electorate boundaries is shown on page 3.

A map of the existing electorate boundaries is shown on page 4.

A map of districts within the ACT is shown on page 5.

# Map of proposed boundaries

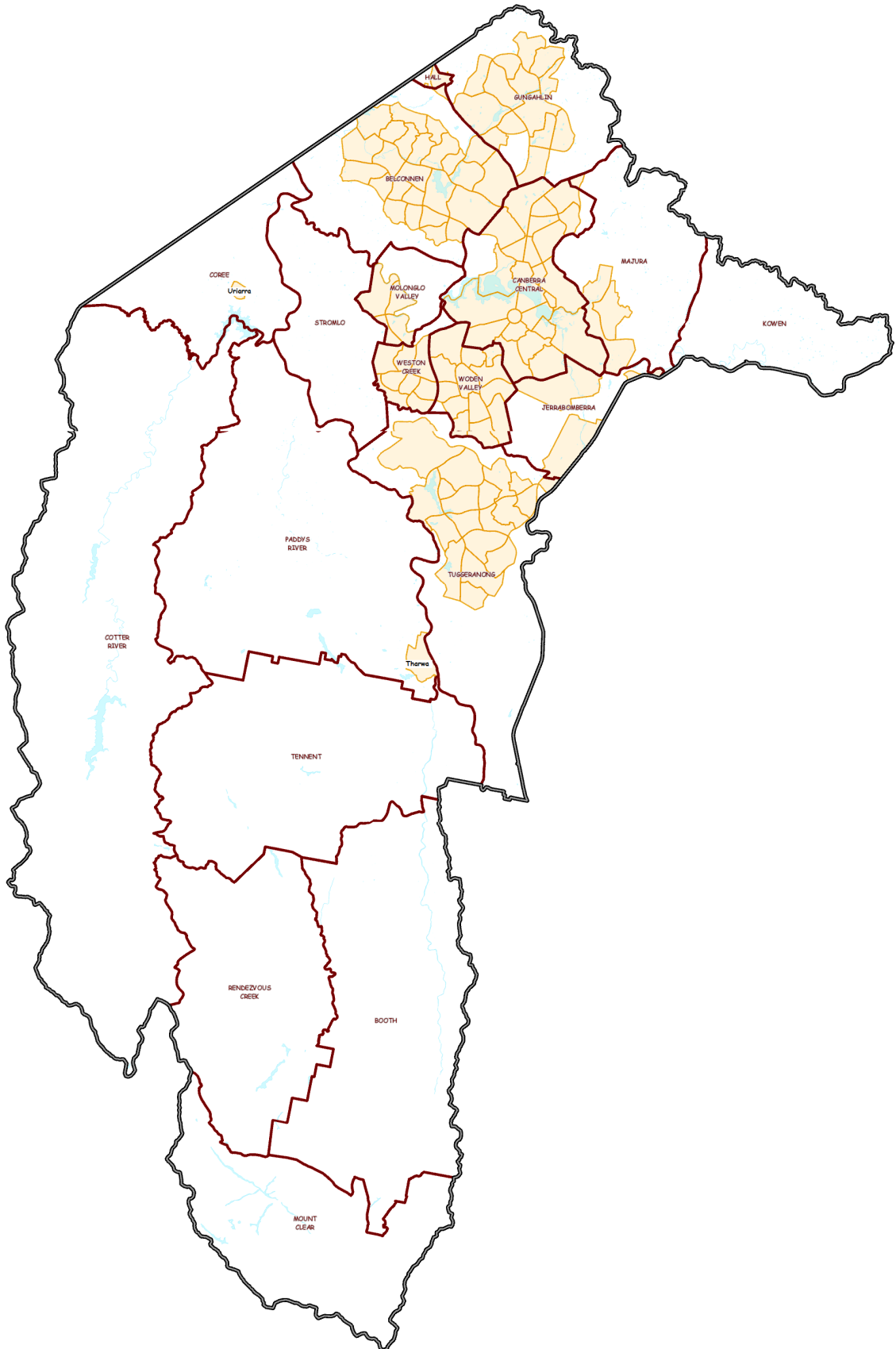


# Map of existing boundaries



# Map of ACT districts

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## Legal Requirements

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### Commencement of the redistribution process

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Section 37 of the *Electoral Act 1992* (the Electoral Act) provides that a redistribution of the electoral boundaries of the ACT shall begin as soon as practicable after the commencement of the period of 2 years ending on the expiration of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday in October in the year in which the next ordinary election is due to be held. The next election is due to be held on 17 October 2020.

### The Redistribution Committee

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Under section 39 of the Electoral Act, the ACT Electoral Commission is required to appoint a Redistribution Committee for the purposes of each redistribution. Before appointing this Redistribution Committee, the Commission gave careful consideration to the appointment of the fourth member of the Committee. Notice of the appointment of the Redistribution Committee was notified on the ACT Legislation Register on 25 October 2018 and became effective on 26 October 2018.

The Redistribution Committee consists of the Electoral Commissioner (Mr Damian Cantwell AM, who is the presiding member of the Redistribution Committee); the ACT Planning and Land Authority (Ben Ponton); the ACT Surveyor-General (Jeffrey Brown); and a person appointed by the ACT Electoral Commission, in this case the Director of Demography, Australian Bureau of Statistics (Beidar Cho).

The Redistribution Committee has two key functions. Under section 41 of the Electoral Act, the Redistribution Committee is required to invite written suggestions and comments about the redistribution. Under sections 43 and 44 of the Electoral Act, the Redistribution Committee is required to publish a proposed redistribution of electorates after considering any suggestions and comments it has received and invite written objections to its proposal within 28 days of the official notification of the proposed electorates.

### Invitation to submit suggestions and comments

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In accordance with section 41 of the Electoral Act, the Redistribution Committee invited written suggestions relating to the redistribution, and written comments on those suggestions, by written notice published in the *Canberra Times* and the ACT Legislation Register on 5 February 2019. The closing date for suggestions was 4 March 2019. Fifteen suggestions were received by the closing date. The closing date for comments on these suggestions was 18 March 2018. Seven comments on suggestions were received.

### Redistribution criteria

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Section 36 of the Electoral Act sets out the criteria under which a redistribution is to be conducted. This section (as applied to a Redistribution Committee by section 43 of the Electoral Act) prescribes that a Redistribution Committee, in making a redistribution of electorates, shall:

- (a) ensure that the number of electors in an electorate immediately after the redistribution is within the range permitted by subsection 67D(2) of the *Australian Capital Territory (Self-Government) Act 1988* (the Self-Government Act) of the Commonwealth;
- (b) endeavour to ensure, as far as practicable, that the number of electors in an electorate at the time of the next general election of Members of the Legislative Assembly will not be greater than 105%, or less than 95%, of the expected quota for the electorate at that time ascertained in accordance with the formula set out in subsection 67D(1) of the Self-Government Act; and
- (c) duly consider —
  - (i) the community of interests within each proposed electorate, including economic, social and regional interests;
  - (ii) the means of communication and travel within each proposed electorate;
  - (iii) the physical features and area of each proposed electorate;
  - (iv) the boundaries of existing electorates; and
  - (v) the boundaries of divisions and sections fixed under the *Districts Act 2002*.

Section 67D of the *Australian Capital Territory (Self-Government) Act 1988* of the Commonwealth prescribes that:

(1) In this section:

**quota**, in relation to an electorate for the Territory, means the number calculated in accordance with the formula:

$$\frac{\text{Number of Territory electors} \times \text{Number of electorate members}}{\text{Number of Territory members}}$$

where:

**Number of Territory electors** means the number of electors of the Territory;

**Number of electorate members** means the number of members to be elected by the electorate;

**Number of Territory members** means the number of members of the Assembly.

- (2) A distribution or redistribution of the Territory into electorates is not to result in any electorate having, immediately after the distribution or redistribution:
  - (a) a number of electors of the Territory greater than 110% of its quota; or
  - (b) a number of electors of the Territory less than 90% of its quota.

## Objections

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Written objections to the Redistribution Committee's proposed redistribution can be lodged with the ACT Electoral Commission by no later than **3 June 2019**.

Objections should be lodged at:

ACT Electoral Commission  
 Ground Floor, North Building, Civic Square  
 London Circuit  
 CANBERRA ACT 2601

Postal Address: PO Box 272, CIVIC SQUARE ACT 2608

Phone: (02) 6205 0033, Fax: (02) 6205 0382

ACT Redistribution Committee

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### **Who considers objections?**

Objections to the Redistribution Committee's proposal will be considered by the Augmented ACT Electoral Commission under section 49 of the Electoral Act.

The Augmented Commission consists of the Chairperson of the ACT Electoral Commission (Ms Dawn Casey), the Electoral Commissioner (Mr Damian Cantwell AM, who is the presiding member of the Redistribution Committee), the third member of the ACT Electoral Commission (Mr Philip Moss AM) and the other members of the Redistribution Committee: the ACT Planning and Land Authority (Mr Ben Ponton), the ACT Surveyor-General (Mr Jeffrey Brown) and the Director of Demography, Australian Bureau of Statistics (Beidar Cho).

The Augmented Commission may hold public hearings into objections to the proposed redistribution.

## **Numbers of electors**

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### **Numbers of electors immediately after the redistribution**

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Paragraph 36(a) of the Electoral Act requires the Committee to ensure that the number of electors in an electorate immediately after the redistribution is within the range permitted by subsection 67D(2) of the Self-Government Act. The Committee has had recourse to several sets of enrolment statistics in the course of the redistribution.

Before appointing the Redistribution Committee, the ACT Electoral Commission obtained enrolment statistics for the ACT from the Australian Electoral Commission, broken down by locality. These enrolment statistics were compiled on 31 August 2018. These statistics were used to project the enrolment figures by locality at the time of the next election. They were made available for the information of people lodging submissions.

This report includes updated enrolment statistics compiled on 29 March 2019. The Committee considered that these figures were sufficient for ensuring the criterion related to current enrolment will be met under its proposed redistribution. However, the Augmented Electoral Commission may seek updated enrolment statistics from the Australian Electoral Commission before it makes its final determination, to ensure that the final determination is made against the latest enrolment statistics.

### **Numbers of electors at the time of the next general election**

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Paragraph 36(b) of the Electoral Act requires the Committee to endeavour to ensure, as far as practicable, that the number of electors in an electorate at the time of the next general election is within the range of not greater than 105% nor less than 95% of the quota at that time. The next general election is due to be held on 17 October 2020 under section 100 of the Electoral Act.

In order to comply with this criterion, the ACT Electoral Commission engaged the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) to project enrolment largely at the suburb level as at 17 October 2020. The projected enrolment statistics were calculated by the ABS according to assumptions reflecting prevailing trends and anticipated new dwelling occupancies agreed to by the ACT Electoral Commission, using the number of electors enrolled in each suburb as at 31 August 2018. A detailed description of the methodology used to calculate the projected enrolment statistics is included in the introduction to those statistics, which are available from the Commission's website (see [www.elections.act.gov.au/data/assets/pdf\\_file/0018/1309401/Guidelines-for-submissions-2019.pdf](http://www.elections.act.gov.au/data/assets/pdf_file/0018/1309401/Guidelines-for-submissions-2019.pdf)).

The Committee noted that the enrolment projections for October 2020 are simply projections; based on current enrolment statistics and anticipated population changes, taking, amongst other things, past population growth and projected housing developments into account. In particular, the Committee notes that the methodology used to calculate projected enrolment at the time of the 2020 election may not accurately take account of new developments expected to occur in the ACT, especially in the areas of greatest growth in the ACT; the district of Molonglo Valley and the district of Gungahlin.

## Quotas

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At 29 March 2019 there were 292,311 electors on the roll for the ACT. The quota for the 5-Member electorates determined in accordance with section 67D of the Self-Government Act is 58,462, the permitted minimum enrolment (not less than 90% of the quota) is 52,616, and the permitted maximum enrolment (not greater than 110% of the quota) is 64,308.

The ABS projects that there will be 299,081 electors on the roll for the ACT in October 2020. Therefore the quota for the 5-Member electorates at that time determined in accordance with subsection 67D(1) of the Self-Government Act is 59,816, the permitted minimum enrolment (not less than 95% of the quota) is 56,825, and the permitted maximum enrolment (not greater than 105% of the quota) is 62,806.

## The other redistribution criteria

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The criteria set out in paragraph 36(c) of the Electoral Act — community of interests, means of communication and travel, physical features and area, boundaries of existing electorates and boundaries of divisions and sections fixed under the *Districts Act 2002* — are subservient to the two objectives of enrolments in proposed electorates being within a range of 5% above or below the quota at the time of the next election and current enrolments being within 10% above or below the quota. However, given these two constraints the Committee sought to ensure that the other criteria were given maximum possible effect. In particular, the Committee considered that these criteria were best met by maintaining a policy of, where possible, avoiding splitting suburbs and districts and by selecting boundaries which clearly separate communities. While this objective has not been entirely possible in this current redistribution, the Committee's proposed boundaries are based strongly on discussions and decisions that focussed on an attempt to limit, as best as possible, divergence from this policy.

## **Suggestions and comments**

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To assist persons and organisations making submissions to the Redistribution Committee, the ACT Electoral Commission provided an interactive mapping tool on its website. This enabled submitters to model different configurations of electoral boundaries, to determine whether proposed boundaries met the numerical requirements, and to lodge submissions on-line, by uploading proposed maps and supporting documents. All but one of the suggestions lodged made use of this mapping tool.

Fifteen suggestions were lodged with the Redistribution Committee by the close of the suggestions period on 4 March 2019. Seven comments on the suggestions were received by the closing date on 18 March 2019. Copies of the suggestions and comments may be viewed at the Commission's office or obtained from its website, [www.elections.act.gov.au](http://www.elections.act.gov.au).

The Committee met on 2 April 2019 and again on 8 April 2019 to discuss the public suggestions and comments received. Discussion on the views expressed in the suggestions and comments is included in the following sections on the Committee's proposed boundaries and names.

A list of the suggestions and comments received is at Attachment B.

## **Names of electorates**

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In the first distribution of electoral boundaries in 1993, the then Redistribution Committee had the duty to propose the initial names for electorates in the ACT. In naming the electorates the Committee was sensitive to the need to avoid confusion with Commonwealth electoral divisions and took cognisance of names that had a common theme and some tangible connection with their respective electorates. The common theme chosen adopted names of Aboriginal origin relating to physical features associated with the landscape of each electorate. The names adopted in 1993 – Brindabella, Ginninderra and Molonglo – gained general community acceptance and they remained unchanged until the addition of a further two electorates as part of the increase in the size of the Assembly.

As part of the 2015 redistribution process, the then Redistribution Committee agreed to maintain the theme of names of Aboriginal origin relating to physical features associated with the landscape of each electorate. The 2015 Redistribution Committee maintained the electorate names of Brindabella and Ginninderra, and introduced three new names – Kurrajong, Murrumbidgee and Yerrabi.

As part of this current redistribution process, of the 15 suggestions submitted, 12 were submitted with either no electorate name associated with the suggestion or the current electorate names appropriately attached to their boundary related suggestions. This would seem to indicate a broad acceptance of the current suite of electorate names.

One suggestion was lodged without the use of the online mapping tool, discussing only the issue of electorate boundaries and did not offer naming suggestions. Accordingly, it can be assumed that such a suggestion is in acceptance of the current electorate names or is at least ambivalent.

Two suggestions were lodged with electorate name suggestions that diverge from the status quo.

Chef Giovannus suggested naming the electorates after "important figures in the government", while Anne-Maree Nelmes suggested naming the central Canberra electorate indicated on her map as 'Mahony'; the Belconnen region 'Belconnen'; the area that takes in Molonglo valley, Weston Creek, Woden and the Majura district 'Stromlo'; the Gungahlin region 'Gungahlin'; and the Tuggeranong region 'Tuggeranong'.

As was the case during previous redistribution processes, this Committee is reluctant to propose a new electorate name that is the same as a district name. In general, the Committee considers it important to avoid any confusion between electorate names and districts or suburbs. In this particular case, as the electorate containing the district of Gungahlin is also proposed to contain suburbs from Belconnen, the Committee considers that it would be misleading to name the electorate Gungahlin as this could give the impression that the Belconnen inclusions in the electorate were not integral to the electorate. Similarly, as the electorate containing the district of Belconnen is proposed not to include a number of suburbs from within the Belconnen District, it would be misleading to name the electorate Belconnen.

Even if an electorate was to comprise only a single district, the Committee would not be in favour of using the district name as an electorate name. As electorate boundaries are likely to change over time as demographic changes occur, it could be expected that parts of different districts could be transferred in or out of the various electorates from time to time. This would give rise to the risk that a name that might be appropriate at the present time would no longer be appropriate as boundaries change at future redistributions.

Due to the broad acceptance of the current existing electorate names displayed throughout the suggestions and the limited number of alternative suggestions, the Committee has decided to propose no change to electorate names.

The Committee proposes to retain the name **Brindabella** for the Tuggeranong-based electorate. As noted by the 1993 Redistribution Committee, the name Brindabella is derived from an Aboriginal word meaning "two kangaroo rats". It is the name given to the mountain range that dominates the south of the ACT.

The Committee proposes to retain the name **Ginninderra** for the Belconnen-based electorate. As noted by the 1993 Redistribution Committee, the name Ginninderra is derived from an Aboriginal word meaning "sparkling like the stars". It is the name given to the creek that flows through Belconnen and Gungahlin, which was dammed to form Lake Ginninderra, the lake on which the Belconnen Town Centre is sited.

The Committee proposes to retain the name **Kurrajong** for the Canberra Central-based electorate. As noted by the 2015 Redistribution Committee, Kurrajong Hill was the name used by early settlers for Capital Hill, the site of the Australian Parliament House. The name Kurrajong is understood to be derived from an Aboriginal word for the tree, *Brachychiton populneus*. The Kurrajong tree occurs locally and would probably have been used by local Aboriginal people as a resource. Kurrajong trees are planted in several of the suburbs in Central Canberra, including Ainslie, Barton, Braddon, Forrest, Red Hill and Reid. Kurrajong Point is the point at the northern end of Weston Park on Lake Burley Griffin. While the word Kurrajong is not a local Aboriginal word, the Committee considers that its strong connection with Parliament House, Lake Burley Griffin and nearby suburbs makes it an appropriate name for the electorate centred around the Parliamentary Triangle.

The Committee proposes to retain the name **Murrumbidgee** for the Weston Creek, Woden Valley and Molonglo Valley-based electorate. As noted by the 2015 Redistribution Committee, the Murrumbidgee River is a major tributary of the Murray River and the second longest river in Australia. It flows through New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory, crossing both the proposed Weston Creek, Woden Valley and Molonglo Valley-based electorate and the Tuggeranong-based electorate. The name is derived from an Aboriginal word meaning "big water". Again, while this word is not a local Aboriginal word, it is a very significant feature of the landscape in the ACT.

The Committee proposes to retain the name **Yerrabi** for the Gungahlin-based electorate. As noted by the 2015 Redistribution Committee, Yerrabi Pond is one of the major water features of the Gungahlin District. The word Yerrabi is derived from a local Aboriginal word meaning "go", "walk" and "to leave".

## **The Committee's proposed boundaries**

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### **Strategic considerations**

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It has long been a recurring theme of ACT Legislative Assembly redistributions among both those lodging submissions and the members of the Redistribution Committee, that where ever possible the process should avoid splitting the main urban districts. This aim can be presented as giving effect to the requirement in section 36 of the Electoral Act to duly consider a range of factors, including the community of interests, the means of communication and travel, and the physical features and area of each proposed electorate. The planned nature of the national capital's urban environment, including the physical separation and staged development of the various urban districts, has invested a strong sense of separate identity in each of the urban districts and a considerable degree of physical separation between each of them.

Consequently, it has typically long been held amongst those that have participated in ACT redistribution processes that an "ideal" redistribution would be one that avoided splitting any districts in the ACT. This view was again expressed in several of the public suggestions and included as a rationale in a number of the comments. However, the numerical criteria, particularly the requirement that enrolment be within +/- 5% of the quota at the time of the next election, dictates that any district that is larger than the permitted size must of necessity be split across at least two electorates.

In the present case, the districts of Belconnen and Tuggeranong are each projected to include more electors at the time of the next election than are permitted under section 36(b) of the Electoral Act. The projected total enrolment at the time of the October 2020 election is 299,081, providing a quota of 59,816. In order to meet the requirement that enrolments must be within +/-5% of the quota at that time, enrolments must be within the range 56,825 – 62,806.

The district of Belconnen is projected to include 70,281 electors in October 2020, while the district of Tuggeranong (combined with the districts of Booth, Cotter River, Paddy's River, Rendezvous Creek, Tennent and Mount Clear, all of which have negligible enrolments) is projected to include 64,071 electors in 2020. This effectively dictates that, as a minimum, Belconnen and Tuggeranong cannot each be wholly contained within a single electorate.

The current electorate of Brindabella comprises the district of Tuggeranong (excluding the suburb of Kambah and that portion of Tuggeranong district adjacent to Kambah to the west of Athllon Drive) and the districts of Booth, Cotter River, Paddy's River, Rendezvous Creek, Tennent and Mount Clear. The need to exclude the suburb of Kambah from Brindabella at the redistribution held in 2015 was a consequence of the district of Tuggeranong being too large to be contained within a single electorate. This issue is again present within the current redistribution, presenting the need to again address how best to comply with the legislative quota requirements, based upon contemporary current and projected enrolment figures, while delivering the best outcomes in relation to the requirements set out in section 36(c) of the Electoral Act.

Similarly, the current electorate of Ginninderra comprises the district of Belconnen (excluding the suburbs of Evatt, Giralang, Kaleen, Lawson and McKellar and that portion of Belconnen District adjacent to the Barton Highway). The need to exclude these suburbs at the 2015 redistribution was again a consequence of the district of Belconnen including more electors than could be legislatively contained within a single electorate. While this issue is again present within the current redistribution, the numbers are swinging in favour of the need for a number of those Belconnen District-based suburbs being reallocated alongside their Belconnen District-based neighbours from the electorate of Yerrabi to within the electorate of Ginninderra. This then presents the opportunity to adjust the electorate of Yerrabi so as to not only include all Gungahlin suburbs within a single electorate, as was the case following the 2015 redistribution, but to further restrict the number of suburbs included within the electorate from non-Gungahlin District areas.

While the current electorates of Murrumbidgee and Kurrajong are both within the quota requirements based on both current and projected enrolment figures, and do not, on their own, require alteration, the fact that adjustments are required to ensure Brindabella falls within the projected quota requirements means that alterations to one or both of those electorates will be required.

Seen in this light, the key decisions that need to be made in this redistribution can be confined to determining which part or parts of Tuggeranong are to be included in either the electorate of Murrumbidgee and/or Kurrajong; and which parts of Yerrabi are to be allocated back to their 'home' district of Belconnen within the electorate of Ginninderra.

It should be noted that of the 15 suggestions lodged, 10 can be seen to adhere strongly to the current existing electoral boundaries, an issue mandated for consideration by the Electoral Act. Two suggestions (Anne-Maree Nelmes and Barry Coyles 2) could be seen as honouring the current existing boundaries but included more significant alterations than the above mentioned 10. Two suggestions (Chef Giovannus and Barry Coyles 1) diverge significantly from current existing boundaries. While noting the specific suggestions raised in each of these two suggestions, the Committee held the view that, as they did not give satisfactory consideration to the criteria set out in s36(c), little weight could be given to the associated proposed boundaries. The remaining submission (Woden Valley Community Council) did not submit a map and offer only a written statement which does not argue for any specific movements and asking only that the Woden, Weston Creek and Molonglo communities be kept together.

## **The Brindabella electorate**

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The current Brindabella electorate is projected to include 52,972 electors in October 2020, or 17.71% of the total projected ACT enrolment. In order to bring it within the required range of +/-5% of the quota at that time, the enrolment in each electorate must be within the range 56,825 – 62,806. The number of electors must therefore increase by a minimum of 3,853 in order to comply with the legislative requirements of the Electoral Act.

In order to ensure the electorate of Brindabella was within the quota range set at the 2015 redistribution, the Redistribution Committee proposed (and the Augmented Electoral Commission ultimately accepted) that the suburb of Kambah be excised from its Tuggeranong District-based neighbours and be allocated to the electorate of Murrumbidgee.

At this current redistribution, the suburb of Kambah presents a significant issue for the Redistribution Committee. If the entire suburb is to be included within the electorate of Brindabella, along with all the other suburbs within the Tuggeranong District, the resultant electorate would fall 2.11% outside of the projected quota parameter. The result of which would mean the selection of alternative Tuggeranong based suburbs for excise from Brindabella in order to comply with the requirements. The obvious alternatives either being the entire suburb of Wanniasa or both the suburbs of Fadden and Macarthur. While both these options provide for appropriate projected elector figures, it is difficult to suggest that the allocation of either option into either Kurrajong or Murrumbidgee is the most suitable solution when duly considering the factors outlined in section 36(c) of the Electoral Act. Further, such a suggestion was only a feature of two submissions; submissions that, on the whole, offered minimal loyalty to existing electorate boundaries as is required to be considered under s36(c)(iv).

Similarly, if the entire suburb of Kambah was to continue to be excised from the electorate of Brindabella, as it has been since the 2015 redistribution process, the resultant electorate would fall -11.43% short of the required projected quota parameter. The result of which would mean the inclusion of alternative suburbs from either Murrumbidgee or Kurrajong in order to comply with requirements. Such a solution was raised by a number of lodged suggestions; with six suggestions (Michael Adams, Alex Adkins, Chris Erett, Martin Gordon, Barry Coyles 2 and the Weston Creek Community Council) proposing that the Kurrajong suburbs of Beard, Hume, Oaks Estate and Symonston and Jerrabomberra district be subsumed by the electorate of Brindabella. Michael Adams and Martin Gordon further suggested that the Murrumbidgee suburbs of Farrer, Isaacs and Mawson or Farrer, Isaacs and O'Malley, respectively, be included within Brindabella.

In an attempt to provide greater flexibility in the lodgement of suggestions around the issues related to the Brindabella electorate, the Redistribution departed from the long held practice of providing only for the allocation of full suburbs to an electorate. However, based on the understanding that Kambah was not only the largest suburb within the ACT but also sat on the current and potential electorate boundary, the Redistribution Committee decided to build functionality into the online mapping tool that allowed for the ability to allocate individual segments of Kambah, split east/west down Drakeford Drive, to alternate electorates. This option was implemented by seven suggestions (Alex Adkins, Ben Chesler, Peter Sutherland, Chris Erett<sup>1</sup>, ACT Labor, the Canberra Liberals and the Proportional Representation Society of Australia – ACT Branch (PRSoA)). Of these seven suggestions the option of including Kambah East or Kambah West within the electorate of Brindabella was split three to four respectively.

Of those that propose the inclusion of Kambah West into Brindabella, while leaving Kambah East in Murrumbidgee, only Ben Chesler and the PRSoA offer a supporting justification.

Mr Chesler offers:

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<sup>1</sup> Mr Erett submitted a map that included the whole of Kambah within the electorate of Murrumbidgee, but stated in his accompanying comment "PLEASE NOTE: I am proposing that the southern portion of Tuggeranong District 1 and Kambah West...be incorporated into the Brindabella electorate, however the mapping tool does not allow that level of granularity."

*"I believe Kambah West should be moved, as it links closely with other suburbs encompassing Lake Tuggeranong, such as Greenway, while Kambah East is separated by Atthlon Drive and multi-lane Drakeford Drive."*

While the PRSoA states within its Comment submission:

*"We do not consider that there is a lot of difference between these options, but we note that more of Kambah West is closer to Tuggeranong town centre than Kambah East. And while Kambah East clearly has its strongest connections with the other Tuggeranong suburbs, it is closer to the Murrumbidgee centres such as Philip and Mawson than Kambah West."*

Of the suggestions that propose the inclusion of Kambah East into Brindabella, while leaving Kambah West in Murrumbidgee, none provide a supporting justification.

During the two redistribution committee meetings following the close of the public comment phase, the Members considered a further option for addressing the need to increase the number of electors within the electorate of Brindabella. As stated by Mr Tom Anderson in his submission on behalf of the Weston Creek Community Council:

*"By Council calculations... Brindabella needs 3356 electors to meet the minimum number of electors so we would satisfy...requirements with the movement of 3500 electors from Kambah East to Brindabella."*

In his submission Mr Anderson argued that by identifying around 3500 electors from Kambah and reallocating only that specific area of Kambah to Brindabella and leaving the remaining areas/electors within Murrumbidgee, no further alterations to the boundary of Murrumbidgee would be necessary. However, in Mr Anderson's submission, doing so required significant alterations to the current electorate boundaries of Brindabella and Kurrajong. Mr Anderson's suggestion opted for the Kurrajong suburbs of Symonston, Beard, Oaks Estate, Hume and Jerrabomberra District to be subsumed by Brindabella.

In reaction to Mr Anderson's arguments and diverging from the common practice of previous ACT Legislative Assembly redistribution processes, the Redistribution Committee further considered this approach by gathering current enrolment data based on the smaller geographical areas known as SA1s. Based on this data the Redistribution Commission was able to identify a number of SA1s from the southern portion of Kambah that allowed, when amalgamated with the other suburbs from the current Brindabella, for Brindabella, Murrumbidgee and Kurrajong to fit within the legislated quota requirements, while leaving all other Kurrajong and Murrumbidgee boundaries unchanged.

However, in agreement with the policy of past redistribution committees, this committee also formed the view that dissecting a suburb based on these smaller geographical areas, without clear and easily communicable boundaries, is fraught with difficulties and opens significant avenues of confusion across the community and the Assembly. The Redistribution Committee found that in order to comply with the quota requirements, the SA1 configured boundary splitting that portion of Kambah to be held within Brindabella from that portion to be held within Murrumbidgee, would need to run along multiple smaller and relatively insignificant suburban streets. The committee's view was that such an ill-defined boundary would create a high degree of confusion amongst the electors of Kambah and would prove difficult for the elected MLAs to identify the specific electors that they have been elected to represent. Accordingly, the Committee rejected this possibility.

At the conclusion of Committee discussions, the Committee unanimously held the view that splitting Kambah east/west down Drakeford Drive was the most appropriate solution for addressing the quota requirements of Brindabella. It was also held that Kambah West is the most appropriate segment of Kambah to be included in Brindabella. Kambah West is closer to the Tuggeranong town centre within Greenway and is electorally the smaller of the two segments, allowing more electors to be reallocated to Brindabella; while Kambah East has a greater proportion geographically closer to the other suburbs within Murrumbidgee, with strong communication links with Weston Creek and Woden Valley via Drakeford Drive/Tuggeranong Parkway and Athllon Drive. The electorate border would follow both these roads so that the Mount Taylor Nature Reserve (which has no current or projected enrolments associated with it) is also included in the electorate of Murrumbidgee.

Ultimately, the Redistribution is proposing that **Brindabella** be a 5-Member electorate comprising the district of Tuggeranong (excluding the section of the Tuggeranong suburb of Kambah that is East of Drakeford Drive and that portion of Tuggeranong District between Drakeford Drive and Athllon Drive) and the districts of Booth, Cotter River, Paddys River, Rendezvous Creek, Tennent and Mount Clear.

While it is not ideal to split a district, nor is it ideal to split a suburb, the Committee considers that the exclusion of Kambah East from the Tuggeranong-based Brindabella electorate best fits the criteria in the Electoral Act.

The Committee also considers that the rural and remote districts of Booth, Cotter River, Paddy's River, Rendezvous Creek, Tennent and Mount Clear that are currently within the electorate of Brindabella, should remain with the proposed Brindabella electorate.

## **The Kurrajong and Murrumbidgee electorates**

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The current Kurrajong electorate is projected to include 61,777 electors in October 2020, or 20.66% of the total projected ACT enrolment. The current Murrumbidgee electorate is projected to include 60,657 electors in October 2020, or 20.28% of the total projected ACT enrolment. On their own, neither of these electorates require adjustment, sitting comfortably within the current and projected enrolment quota parameters. However, the very nature of a redistribution, where adjustments to other electorates will have a direct effect on neighbouring electorates, means that in this case, where Brindabella is required to increase its enrolled population, the neighbouring electorates of Murrumbidgee and Kurrajong are likely to require adjustment to accommodate that change.

While the Redistribution Committee has ultimately proposed that Kambah East remain in Murrumbidgee, as described above, it did engage in a rigorous review of both Kambah alternatives.

By agreeing to the splitting of the suburb of Kambah as the most appropriate means of overcoming Brindabella's quota concerns, the Redistribution Committee next had to overcome the resultant issue, that in doing so, Murrumbidgee's enrolment numbers would fall below current and projected requirements. Consequently, additional suburbs (and their associated electors), would be required to be reallocated to Murrumbidgee if it is to comply with legislative requirements.

Regardless of which 'half' of Kambah was selected to remain in Murrumbidgee and which 'half' was reallocated to Brindabella, any suggestions that chose this option was obliged to identify suburbs from elsewhere for reallocation to Murrumbidgee. Seven<sup>2</sup> suggestions chose to split Kambah, offering a variety of Murrumbidgee/Kurrajong based solutions.

Peter Sutherland and the PRSoA, both of whom selected to include Kambah East in the electorate of Murrumbidgee, offered differing solutions for enlarging Murrumbidgee. Mr Sutherland chose to expand Murrumbidgee so that it took in the current Kurrajong suburbs of Hume, Symonston, Narrabundah, Beard, Oaks Estate and Jerrabomberra district. Martin Dunn, on behalf of the PRSoA, chose to leave the boundary of Kurrajong untouched, instead allocating the Belconnen District suburbs of Cook and Aranda to Murrumbidgee; arguing in their comment upon suggestions that:

*"These [two suburbs] represent reasonably distinct communities, and although they clearly have the greatest affinity to the Belconnen district, their relatively central position in Canberra makes that connection relatively weaker and provides substantive connections with other districts. Belconnen Way, Bindubi Street and Redfern Street provide distinct boundaries (although Redfern Street is clearly the weaker boundary)."*

The Redistribution Committee ultimately disagreed with these two proposals, holding the view that enlarging Murrumbidgee to subsume Jerrabomberra district and surrounding suburbs was a more significant alteration than was necessary and one that unsatisfactorily provided community of interest, communication and travel links among the amalgamated suburbs. Similarly, the Committee disagreed with the PRSoA's assertion that Cook and Aranda shared a satisfactory connection to the other suburbs of Murrumbidgee.

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<sup>2</sup> The suggestion lodged by Mr Chris Erett did not comply with the quota requirements. Mr Erett stated that while he is proposing for the southern portion of Tuggeranong District 1 and Kambah West to be incorporated in Brindabella, the mapping tool did not provide for this level of granularity. However, as only 10 electors are enrolled in Tuggeranong District 1 and all of those electors reside in the southern portion of the district, it is largely possible to see the effect of allocating Kambah West and the section of Tuggeranong District 1 identified by Mr Erett into Kambah. Doing so still shows a quota non-compliance for the electorate of Murrumbidgee (current 89.56% projected 90.92%).

Alex Adkin's proposal offered significant changes to a number of electorate boundaries, placing Jerrabomberra District and a number of the surrounding suburbs into Brindabella and then allocating the new and 'yet to be developed' suburbs of Strathnairn and Macnamara (within the Belconnen District), as well as the Central Canberra District suburb of Deakin, to Murrumbidgee. As this suggestion requires significant alterations to multiple electorate boundaries as well as what the Committee viewed as multiple interference to 'communities of interest', the Committee did not pursue the strategy offered by Ms Adkins.

Of the remaining three suggestions that split Kambah, each offered a solution that involved reallocating suburb(s) from the Canberra Central District to Murrumbidgee. Ben Chesler proposed reallocating Yarralumla and Deakin to Murrumbidgee, arguing:

*"Yarralumla and Deakin should be moved into Murrumbidgee while Red Hill, Forrest and Griffith should remain in Kurrajong. This is because the latter suburbs are within close distance with similar suburban characteristics, while Deakin is closely linked with Hughes and Curtin, as well as Yarralumla, more so than Red Hill."*

ACT Labor propose that the suburb of Red Hill be allocated to Murrumbidgee, stating:

*"Red Hill shares the Red Hill Nature Reserve with Garran and Hughes which provides a natural link to connect these suburbs. Red Hill is also connected to Murrumbidgee via Hindmarsh Drive."*

The Canberra Liberals propose that the suburb of Deakin be allocated to Murrumbidgee, stating:

*"Deakin has strong links to the Murrumbidgee electorate and is well served by transport links to that electorate. Woden Town Centre also serves as the main shopping hub for Deakin residents and Deakin is therefore a good fit with the community of interest centred on the Woden Valley district."*

In reaction to such suggestions, the Deakin Residents Association (DRA), in their comment upon suggestions, argued that given Kurrajong sits within current and projected quota parameters, it should face no change to its boundaries. They state that moving Deakin from Kurrajong to Murrumbidgee (as proposed by the Canberra Liberals and Mr Chesler) does not make geographical sense and would disadvantage the residents of Deakin in "gaining traction on issues relevant to the residents of Deakin."

The DRA argue that Deakin is geographically part of the inner south; has strong heritage issues similar to surrounding suburbs and unmatched to Woden; has many issues different to that of the Molonglo Valley; and has NCA planning zone requirements that form a close affiliation with Forrest and other inner south suburbs.

The Inner South Canberra Community Council, in their comment upon suggestions, state that it does not support changes in the electorate boundaries of Kurrajong, arguing that there is no compelling rationale provided in any of the suggestions for the proposed change to the boundary.

The Committee discussed these concerns but ultimately hold the view that due to the need to increase enrolments in the electorate of Brindabella, and the decision to achieve this by splitting Kambah down Drakeford Drive, the most suitable and conversely, least disruptive, solution is to transfer Kurrajong electors on the western border of Kurrajong across to Murrumbidgee.

The decision taken by the Committee to maintain Kambah East within Murrumbidgee, the smaller of the two segments, has the consequence of requiring more than a single suburb be transferred between electorates. Had the Committee taken the view that Kambah West was the more suitable of the two segments to remain in Murrumbidgee, it would have been possible for any one of either Yarralumla, Deakin or Red Hill to be moved between electorates. However, it was the strong and unanimous view of the Committee that Brindabella and Murrumbidgee were both served best by the decision to allocate Kambah East to Murrumbidgee and Kambah West to Brindabella.

Accordingly, it was necessary for the Committee to identify which two of these Central Canberra District suburbs, if reallocated, would best meet the intentions of s36(c) of the Electoral Act. The Committee ultimately agreed with the arguments of Mr Chesler and to an extent the Canberra Liberals, holding the view that the two suburbs of Yarralumla and Deakin both hold a strong connection with the Woden Valley through transport links via Adelaide Avenue and Yarra Glen; and economic and social links via the Woden Town Centre, which it is argued provide for the main shopping hub for those residents. These links, the Committee maintains, are stronger than those held by the residents of Red Hill and the option of including Hume, Jerrabomberra district, Symonston, Narrabundah, Oaks Estate and Beard within Brindabella.

The Redistribution Committee is therefore proposing that **Kurrajong** be a 5-Member electorate comprising the district of Canberra Central (excluding the suburbs of Deakin and Yarralumla), and the districts of Jerrabomberra (including the entire suburb of Hume), Kowen and Majura; and that **Murrumbidgee** be a 5-Member electorate comprising the districts of Molonglo Valley, Weston Creek, Woden Valley, Coree (including the village of Uriarra) and Stromlo, the section of the Tuggeranong suburb of Kambah that is East of Drakeford Drive, and that portion of Tuggeranong District between Drakeford Drive and Athllon Drive, and the Canberra Central suburbs of Deakin and Yarralumla.

While it is not ideal to split districts, the Committee considers that the inclusion of Deakin and Yarralumla within the electorate of Murrumbidgee best fits the criteria outlined in the Electoral Act.

The Committee also considers that the rural and remote districts of Coree, which includes the village of Uriarra and Stromlo that are currently within the electorate of Murrumbidgee should remain with the proposed Murrumbidgee electorate.

## **The Ginninderra and Yerrabi electorates**

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The current Ginninderra electorate is projected to include 55,105 electors in October 2020, or 18.42% of the total projected ACT enrolment. In order to bring it within the required range of +/-5% of the quota at that time, the enrolment in each electorate must be within the range 56,825 – 62,806. The number of Ginninderra electors must therefore increase by a minimum of 1,720 in order to comply with the legislative requirements of the Electoral Act.

Conversely, the current Yerrabi electorate is projected to include 68,570 electors in October 2020, or 22.93% of the total projected ACT enrolment. In order to bring it within the required range of +/-5% of the quota at that time, Yerrabi must decrease by a minimum of 5,764 electors in order to comply with the legislative requirements of the Electoral Act.

Currently, the Belconnen District suburbs of Evatt, McKellar, Lawson, Kaleen and Giralang and the portion of Belconnen District adjacent to the Barton Highway are grouped within the current electorate of Yerrabi. This presents the opportunity to reallocate a number of these suburbs to Ginninderra so that they are grouped with their Belconnen District neighbours. This strategy was a common thread throughout the submitted suggestions. Eleven suggestions took the opportunity to transfer multiple Yerrabi suburbs to Ginninderra. All eleven placed Evatt and McKellar in Ginninderra; eight also placed Lawson within Ginninderra; and eight also placed that portion of Belconnen District adjacent to the Barton Highway, within Ginninderra.

The PRSoA, Martin Gordon and Barry Coyles 2 were each able to also allocate the suburb of Giralang to Ginninderra, but they each achieved this by altering other boundaries to the East and/or south of Ginninderra. The Committee took the view that as the North boundary of Ginninderra was already split across districts, it would seek not to further disrupt the Belconnen District by making further alterations, such as those offered by the PRSoA, Mr Gordon and Mr Coyles.

Accordingly, the Committee focussed on which, and how many, suburbs were best served by transfer from Yerrabi to Ginninderra. As at least 5,764 electors were required to be moved, but no more than 7,701, the Committee agreed with the majority of suggestions and have proposed that Evatt (3,852 projected electors) and McKellar (2,086 projected electors) be reallocated to Ginninderra. The Committee noted that doing so would appropriately meet the quota requirements of the Electoral Act. However, in adherence to the need to duly consider "the community of interests within each electorate" set out in section 36(c)(i), the Committee also proposes that Lawson (1,378 projected electors) and that portion of Belconnen District adjacent to the Barton Highway (5 projected electors), also be reallocated. This, in total would transfer 7,321 projected electors from Yerrabi to Ginninderra. The Committee looked at the possibility of including further Belconnen based suburbs into Ginninderra but found that attempting to reallocate either Giralang or Kaleen in conjunction with the other suburbs took Ginninderra over quota.

The Redistribution Committee is therefore proposing that **Ginninderra** be a 5-Member electorate comprising the district of Belconnen (excluding the suburbs of Giralang and Kaleen); and that **Yerrabi** be a 5-Member electorate comprising the districts of Gungahlin and Hall and the Belconnen district suburbs of Giralang and Kaleen.

While it is not ideal to split districts, the Committee considers that as the entire district of Belconnen is too large to be wholly contained within a single electorate, splitting the Belconnen district is unavoidable and the inclusion of Giralang and Kaleen within the electorate of Yerrabi best fits the criteria outlined in the Electoral Act.

## **Redistribution Committee for the Australian Capital Territory**

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## Appendix A: Constitution of proposed electorates

Note 1: The following localities and enrolment figures have undergone minor adjustments to match the functionality of the online geographical mapping tool at [www.elections.act.gov.au/redistribution](http://www.elections.act.gov.au/redistribution). Where necessary and where the effect is likely to be negligible, the current and projected enrolment figures for certain low populated districts have been merged with adjacent districts or localities and the relevant district has been removed from the list. For instance (but not limited to), Booth district has been included in Tuggeranong District, Uriarra has been included in Coree district and Cotter River District has been included in Paddy's River District.

### Proposed electorate of Brindabella

Suburb/District	Current electorate	Actual persons enrolled	Actual persons enrolled	Projected persons enrolled
		31 August 2018	29 March 2019	17 October 2020
Banks	Brindabella	3605	3624	3579
Bonython	Brindabella	2850	2857	2763
Calwell	Brindabella	4385	4361	4298
Chisholm	Brindabella	3912	3924	3892
Conder	Brindabella	3831	3818	3665
Fadden	Brindabella	2388	2378	2198
Gilmore	Brindabella	2065	2062	2009
Gordon	Brindabella	5949	5924	5883
Gowrie	Brindabella	2323	2339	2323
Greenway	Brindabella	1811	1998	1942
Isabella Plains	Brindabella	3200	3197	3189
Kambah West	Murrumbidgee	6579	6608	6265
Macarthur	Brindabella	1120	1123	1091
Monash	Brindabella	4219	4225	4111
Oxley	Brindabella	1325	1315	1279
Paddy's River District	Brindabella	77	73	79
Richardson	Brindabella	2246	2246	2198
Tennent District	Brindabella	8	8	8
Tharwa	Brindabella	67	65	69
Theodore	Brindabella	2826	2847	2798
Tuggeranong District	Brindabella	55	57	55
Wanniassa	Brindabella	5833	5797	5553
<b>Total</b>		<b>60674</b>	<b>60846</b>	<b>59247</b>
<b>Quota</b>		<b>57980</b>	<b>58462</b>	<b>59816</b>
<b>Variation from quota</b>		<b>4.65%</b>	<b>4.08%</b>	<b>-0.95%</b>

**Proposed electorate of Ginninderra**

<b>Suburb/District</b>	<b>Current electorate</b>	<b>Actual persons enrolled</b>	<b>Actual persons enrolled</b>	<b>Projected persons enrolled</b>
		<b>31 August 2018</b>	<b>29 March 2019</b>	<b>17 October 2020</b>
Aranda	Ginninderra	1834	1844	1828
Belconnen	Ginninderra	4066	4095	4363
Belconnen District 1	Ginninderra	15	17	15
Belconnen District 2	Yerrabi	5	5	5
Bruce	Ginninderra	4226	4265	4342
Charnwood	Ginninderra	2149	2152	2038
Cook	Ginninderra	2187	2205	2119
Dunlop	Ginninderra	4992	4979	5006
Evatt	Yerrabi	3911	3920	3852
Florey	Ginninderra	3510	2570	3345
Flynn	Ginninderra	2566	1603	2455
Fraser	Ginninderra	1607	2200	1418
Hawker	Ginninderra	2196	2260	2157
Higgins	Ginninderra	2242	3473	2235
Holt	Ginninderra	3449	2671	3370
Latham	Ginninderra	2678	3502	2601
Lawson	Yerrabi	889	1020	1378
Macgregor	Ginninderra	4663	4633	4721
Macnamara	Ginninderra	0	0	0
Macquarie	Ginninderra	1963	1967	1982
McKellar	Yerrabi	2108	2097	2086
Melba	Ginninderra	2339	2345	2279
Page	Ginninderra	1964	1985	1979
Scullin	Ginninderra	2094	2069	2068
Spence	Ginninderra	1938	1919	1933
Strathnairn	Ginninderra	0	0	956
Weetangera	Ginninderra	1922	1947	1895
<b>Total</b>		<b>61513</b>	<b>61743</b>	<b>62426</b>
<b>Quota</b>		<b>57980</b>	<b>58462</b>	<b>59816</b>
<b>Variation from quota</b>		<b>6.09%</b>	<b>5.61%</b>	<b>4.36%</b>

## Proposed electorate of Kurrajong

Suburb/District	Current electorate	Actual persons enrolled	Actual persons enrolled	Projected persons enrolled
		31 August 2018	29 March 2019	17 October 2020
Acton	Kurrajong	667	520	687
Ainslie	Kurrajong	4058	4079	4020
Barton	Kurrajong	1315	1372	1340
Beard	Kurrajong	0	0	0
Braddon	Kurrajong	3732	3756	3872
Campbell	Kurrajong	3949	4169	4061
Canberra Airport	Kurrajong	2	3	2
Canberra Central District	Kurrajong	0	0	0
Canberra City	Kurrajong	2088	1950	2370
Capital Hill	Kurrajong	0	0	0
Dickson	Kurrajong	1650	1826	1691
Downer	Kurrajong	2722	2726	2795
Forrest	Kurrajong	1333	1343	1340
Fyshwick	Kurrajong	18	19	20
Griffith	Kurrajong	3733	3764	3961
Hackett	Kurrajong	2264	2269	2250
Hume	Kurrajong	15	13	16
Jerrabomberra District	Kurrajong	15	23	15
Kingston	Kurrajong	4160	4300	4728
Lyneham	Kurrajong	3820	3802	3952
Majura District	Kurrajong	119	123	119
Narrabundah	Kurrajong	4274	4328	4294
Oaks Estate	Kurrajong	200	209	200
O'Connor	Kurrajong	4214	4223	4286
Parkes	Kurrajong	1	1	1
Pialligo	Kurrajong	97	97	97
Red Hill	Kurrajong	2222	2219	2198
Reid	Kurrajong	1153	1153	1148
Russell	Kurrajong	0	0	0
Symonston	Kurrajong	346	344	346
Turner	Kurrajong	2939	2950	3040
Watson	Kurrajong	4134	4099	4160
<b>Total</b>		<b>55240</b>	<b>55680</b>	<b>57009</b>
<b>Quota</b>		<b>57980</b>	<b>58462</b>	<b>59816</b>
<b>Variation from quota</b>		<b>-4.73%</b>	<b>-4.76%</b>	<b>-4.69%</b>

**Proposed electorate of Murrumbidgee**

<b>Suburb/District</b>	<b>Current electorate</b>	<b>Actual persons enrolled</b>	<b>Actual persons enrolled</b>	<b>Projected persons enrolled</b>
		<b>31 August 2018</b>	<b>29 March 2019</b>	<b>17 October 2020</b>
Chapman	Murrumbidgee	2161	2171	1989
Chifley	Murrumbidgee	1784	1798	1738
Coombs	Murrumbidgee	1639	1927	2733
Coree District	Murrumbidgee	210	204	217
Curtin	Murrumbidgee	3934	3962	3850
Deakin	Kurrajong	2299	2340	2344
Denman Prospect	Murrumbidgee	178	271	774
Duffy	Murrumbidgee	2418	2436	2403
Farrer	Murrumbidgee	2538	2538	2481
Fisher	Murrumbidgee	2199	2185	2131
Garran	Murrumbidgee	2378	2374	2351
Holder	Murrumbidgee	2025	2030	1898
Hughes	Murrumbidgee	2140	2171	2057
Isaacs	Murrumbidgee	1941	1919	1899
Kambah East	Murrumbidgee	4999	5002	4824
Lyons	Murrumbidgee	2087	2062	2136
Mawson	Murrumbidgee	2246	2219	2265
Molonglo	Murrumbidgee	0	0	0
Molonglo Valley District	Murrumbidgee	5	5	5
O'Malley	Murrumbidgee	766	758	799
Pearce	Murrumbidgee	1962	1972	1969
Phillip	Murrumbidgee	2059	2121	2332
Rivett	Murrumbidgee	2331	2359	2271
Stirling	Murrumbidgee	1526	1524	1538
Stromlo District	Murrumbidgee	36	39	37
Torrens	Murrumbidgee	1657	1668	1612
Waramanga	Murrumbidgee	1936	1920	1898
Weston	Murrumbidgee	2686	2696	2640
Weston Creek District	Murrumbidgee	10	12	10
Whitlam	Murrumbidgee	0	0	518
Woden Valley District	Murrumbidgee	0	0	0
Wright	Murrumbidgee	1996	2016	3007
Yarralumla	Kurrajong	2472	2474	2424
<b>Total</b>		<b>56618</b>	<b>57173</b>	<b>59150</b>
<b>Quota</b>		<b>57980</b>	<b>58462</b>	<b>59816</b>
<b>Variation from quota</b>		<b>-2.35%</b>	<b>-2.20%</b>	<b>-1.11%</b>

## Proposed electorate of Yerrabi

Suburb/District	Current electorate	Actual persons enrolled	Actual persons enrolled	Projected persons enrolled
		31 August 2018	29 March 2019	17 October 2020
Amaroo	Yerrabi	3927	3920	4029
Bonner	Yerrabi	3847	3869	4071
Casey	Yerrabi	3797	3838	4306
Crace	Yerrabi	2897	2903	3611
Forde	Yerrabi	2689	2722	2830
Franklin	Yerrabi	3838	3905	4570
Giralang	Yerrabi	2488	2477	2427
Gungahlin	Yerrabi	3707	3887	3844
Gungahlin District	Yerrabi	6	6	6
Hall	Yerrabi	240	238	239
Harrison	Yerrabi	4532	4582	5042
Jacka	Yerrabi	369	364	439
Kaleen	Yerrabi	5463	5452	5428
Mitchell	Yerrabi	5	6	5
Moncrieff	Yerrabi	1483	1918	1608
Ngunnawal	Yerrabi	7350	7424	7862
Nicholls	Yerrabi	5134	5115	5156
Palmerston	Yerrabi	4009	3946	3958
Taylor	Yerrabi	4	54	1115
Throsby	Yerrabi	60	243	703
<b>Total</b>		<b>55845</b>	<b>56869</b>	<b>61249</b>
<b>Quota</b>		<b>57980</b>	<b>58462</b>	<b>59816</b>
<b>Variation from quota</b>		<b>-3.68%</b>	<b>-2.72%</b>	<b>2.40%</b>

## **Appendix B: List of public suggestions**

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Suggestions lodged with the Redistribution Committee pursuant to section 41(1)(a) of the *Electoral Act 1992*.

Copies can be obtained from

[www.elections.act.gov.au/electoral\\_boundaries/redistributions/2018-2019-redistribution](http://www.elections.act.gov.au/electoral_boundaries/redistributions/2018-2019-redistribution).

### **Organisations**

ACT Labor	Weston Creek Community Council
Canberra Liberals	Woden Valley Community Council
Proportional Representation Society of Australia – ACT Branch	

### **Individuals**

Alex Adkins	Anne-Maree Nelmes
Barry Coyles 1	Barry Coyles 2
Ben Chesler	Chef Giovannus
Chris Erett	Martin Gordon
Michael Adams	Peter Sutherland

## **Appendix C: List of public comments**

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Comments lodged with the Redistribution Committee pursuant to section 41(1)(b) of the *Electoral Act 1992*.

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### **Organisations**

Deakin Residents Association

Inner South Canberra Community Council

Proportional Representation Society of Australia – ACT Branch

Weston Creek Community Council

ACT  
Legislative  
Assembly

Electoral Boundaries  
Redistribution 2019

Proposed redistribution of the  
ACT into electorates for the ACT  
Legislative Assembly

