

To the Redistribution Committee,

I'd like to suggest a model for changes to electoral boundaries in the Darwin area where I live. The biggest issues to resolve in this region are:

- Fannie Bay and Fong Lim being under quota;
- Leanyer being over quota; and
- Darwin as a whole being approximately 17% below the quota necessary for a ninth electorate. (Source: <https://tallyroom.com.au/51066>)

The existing electorates broadly reflect our communities of interest and the new electorates should not deviate too substantially from the existing configuration.

Significant development is expected in several areas of Darwin where the population will therefore increase between now and August 2024, especially in the northeast suburbs. This means that several seats can be left slightly under quota in the knowledge that they will grow.

I have tried to follow these principles to suggest small, targeted changes to each seat. Following this approach results in the below electorates, clockwise from the CBD:

- **Port Darwin:** no changes.
- **Fannie Bay:** retains existing suburbs of The Gardens, Fannie Bay, Parap, Ludmilla, East Point. Gains the southern half of Coconut Grove from Nightcliff and Johnston. The borders could be Ostermann St or Kulaluk access road on the western side of Dick Ward Drive, making sure to keep all of Kulaluk community together in one seat, and a combination of east-west streets on the eastern side of Dick Ward Drive.
- **Nightcliff:** retains existing suburbs of Nightcliff, Rapid Creek. Gains more of Coconut Grove east of Dick Ward Drive from Johnston. Loses southwest Coconut Grove to Fannie Bay. High-density development in the northern half of Coconut Grove is likely to reduce the need for other changes to this seat by increasing enrolment in the area.
- **Johnston:** retains existing suburbs of Millner, Jingili, Moil. Gains a larger area of Alawa. Loses southeast Coconut Grove to Fannie Bay.
- **Casuarina:** retains existing suburbs of Nakara, Tiwi, Brinkin, Casuarina, Lyons, Lee Point, and a small part of Muirhead. Gains a larger section of Muirhead north of (for e.g.) Leitch, Trainer and Branson Streets to make up for losing part of Alawa. **Or**, gains section of Wanguri west and north of Wanguri Park. Development in Lee Point may reduce the need to expand this seat.
- **Sanderson:** retains existing suburbs of Anula, Wagaman and Wulagi. Gains most of Wanguri south and east of Wanguri Park. Loses Marrara and the airport.
- **Leanyer:** retains existing suburbs of Leanyer and Muirhead. Gains Micket Creek. Loses part of Muirhead or Wanguri to Casuarina. Loses the remainder of Wanguri to Sanderson. Ongoing development means this seat can ideally be left a little under quota.
- **Karama:** retains existing suburbs of Malak and Karama. Gains Marrara, the airport, Holmes and Knuckey Lagoon. Loses part of Berrimah.
- **Fong Lim:** retains existing suburbs of Stuart Park, Bayview, Woolner, the Narrows, RAAF Darwin, Coonawarra, and part of Berrimah. Gains the remainder of Berrimah.

Thank you for your time and consideration.