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**Subject:** RE: LG Representation Committee

Dear Mayor Athina Pascoe-Bell,

Thank you for your email informing that the council are unable to reach a consensus on the 3 wards scenarios provided for feedback. The committee does not require a council decision but it would be helpful to receive feedback on both of the 3 ward scenarios. It was the committee's hope that council may be able to indicate which of the 2 scenarios (D or E) of 3 wards were preferred before the final report is released. The release of the final report was deferred to enable further consultation with the City of Palmerston. The final report is scheduled to be released at the end of the month. Should council choose to provide feedback on these scenarios please do so before Monday 23 January.

Following discussions at the workshop held December 2022, the committee has accepted that the scenarios of 4 wards proposed in the preliminary report do not address concerns raised by council. The committee has also agreed with council that each ward should be represented by at least 2 members and that the suburbs of Driver, Gray, Moulden and Woodroffe should not all be represented by the same ward. The 2 scenarios of 4 wards in the preliminary report have been abandoned.

The committee does not support the 2 ward scenario submitted by council as it does not align with the methodology that states there be a minimum of 3 wards. We appreciate that the City of Palmerston is opposed to the introduction of wards, but believe that the scenarios for 3 wards addresses a number of the concerns raised by council.

Kind regards,

**Sean Holden**

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