

## LOCAL PUBLIC NOTICE

## REVIEW OF WARDS AND REPRESENTATION

The City of Bayswater is conducting a review of its wards and representation in accordance with Schedule 2.2 of the *Local Government Act 1995* and invites public comment.

The ward review has been triggered by the Department of Local Government's reform package with Council resolving to adopt a voluntary reform pathway, which includes reducing the number of Councillors from 11 to nine (inclusive of the Mayor) over two election cycles. This pathway also includes the election of the Mayor by the community.

As these changes effect Elected Member representation and ward boundaries, the requirement to undertake a review is required. The Council seeks feedback from the community on different options that could be considered to implement these changes.

The local government is required to consider all options put forward by the public taking into account the following key factors:

- Community of interest;
- Physical and topographic features;
- Demographic trends;
- Economic factors; and
- Ratio of Councillors to Electors in the various wards.

Public submissions are invited and a discussion paper is available to assist the public in considering possible options for ward and Elected Member representation. A hard copy of the discussion paper may be inspected or obtained from:

- Bayswater Civic Centre 61 Broun Avenue, Morley, WA 6062
- Bayswater Public Library 25 King William Street, Bayswater WA 6053
- Morley Public Library 240 Walter Road West, Morley, WA 6062
- Maylands Public Library 28 Eighth Avenue, Maylands WA 6051

A digital copy of the discussion paper may also be obtained from the City's engagement hub at <a href="mailto:engage.bayswater.wa.gov.au">engage.bayswater.wa.gov.au</a> where you will be able to provide your preferences for both Councillor representation and the number of wards and/or upload a submission that presents an option for consideration.

Submissions about the review may be made in writing either via email to <a href="mail@bayswater.wa.gov.au">mail@bayswater.wa.gov.au</a> or by mail addressed to the Chief Executive Officer City of Bayswater, PO Box 467, Morley 6943.

Submissions can be made to the City of Bayswater up until **5pm on Thursday 15 December.** 

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