



The Secretary  
Local Electoral Area Boundary Committee  
Room 1.67  
Custom House  
Dublin 1

**RE: Boundary Committee No. 1**

Dear Ms Connolly,

I refer to your letter dated 17<sup>th</sup> January inviting submissions in relation to the review of local electoral area boundaries in Donegal and to your e-mail in relation to the submission deadline.

I wish to confirm that Donegal County Council considered this matter at a meeting on 19<sup>th</sup> February and recommends as follows:-

- (1) Having regard to the Committee's Terms of Reference (No.4), an additional distinct urban focused local electoral area should be established in the Letterkenny Municipal District with the town of Letterkenny at its core. The recent Census figures reflected an increase in population across the M.D with a significant increase in the town of Letterkenny.  
In the recently announced Project Ireland 2040 Strategy, Letterkenny is designated as a regional centre for investment and growth not alone within the North West Region but also with a particular cross-border focus with its alignment to Derry in the North-West Gateway Initiative and in turn a significant projected increase in population.
- (2) The Inishowen Municipal District currently has nine members and under the Terms of Reference consideration should be given to forming two electoral areas, noting Buncrana as a former Town Council.

The Council recommends that the existing number of municipal districts remain at 5 and did not specify any adjustments to the geographical areas.

The Council also recommends that the current total membership should remain unchanged but with potential for the consideration of an increase based on projected population growth over the next five to ten years.

Yours sincerely,

  
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