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Secretary  
Local Electoral Area Boundary Committees  
Room 1.67  
Custom House  
Dublin 1

**RE: Dublin 15 Villages & Identities,  
Fingal County Council**



**Elaine Dooley**  
Local Area Representative

Dear Committee No2

The terms of reference of the 2018 Boundary Commission state:

*"Local electoral areas should be designed, as far as possible, around urban villages or have a neighbourhood focal point (or points), taking due account of local and community identities and linkages and the need to facilitate the effectiveness of the governance and representational roles of elected members"*

My concerns about the 2018 revision relates to ensuring the identities of local villages Blanchardstown, Clonsilla and Mulhuddart are respected.

The existing ward boundaries split the villages of Clonsilla and Mulhuddart. Electoral Division boundaries do not reflect the villages in Dublin 15 and the committee should be careful to ensure that any boundaries for new electoral areas are based on *"community identities and linkages"* and not electoral division boundaries.

Sincerely

  
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