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Submission to the Commission in respect of Dublin city  
Council Boundaries

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We would like to submit this document for the consideration of the **Dublin City Council Boundaries**. We hope that it will be useful in your examination of the boundaries within Dublin City Council.

The document includes a proposed redrawing of boundaries in light of your terms of reference.

We have used the figures from the 2016 census to underpin our examination, specifically those population figures included in Volume 1, Table 6 "Population and area of each Province, County, City, urban area, rural area and Electoral Division, 2002 and 2006" of the census report.

We would submit that the Census show the current allocation of 15 Dublin City Council seats within Dublin Bay North is still supported.

- 1) We note the intention to eliminate wards in excess of 7 seats and we concur with this plan as very large wards such as Beaumont-Donaghmede with 9 seats leads to a disconnect between the electorate and their elected representatives.
- 2) We believe that the current 6 and 9 seat wards of Clontarf and Beaumont-Donaghmede should be reconfigured to three 5 seat wards similar to what had existed previously for Artane/Clontarf and Donaghmede.
- 3) The restored Artane ward, along with new Edenmore-Raheny ward to the east would require the movement of a small number of DEDs from the current six seat Clontarf Ward to achieve this configuration.
- 4) The restoration of areas close to Raheny village from the Clontarf ward into a new Edenmore-Raheny would also match the intention to unify urban villages were possible.
- 5) There is a significant benefit of continuity and familiarity for the voters in this new configuration.

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