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Dear Sir or Madam

I am strongly opposed to any change in the boundaries in connection with the Drogheda Electoral Area.

Rumours in relation to Termonfeckin and Tullyallen becoming part of Mid Louth makes no sense.

Both of these areas are very much part of the Drogheda hinterland.

The idea of reducing the number of seats on the Borough Council to 8 is highly undemocratic and will lead to a situation of imbalance between the Elected Rep's and Officialdom.

The Officials have way too much power as it stands and a reduction in Councillors would reduce greatly the say the ordinary voter has in the affairs of his own area.

Reducing the number of seats will also play into the Big Parties interests at the expense of the minority groupings.

If you examine the ratio of Public Rep's to population Co Louth is already behind counties such as Leitrim . Leitrim County has a population the size of Drogheda and has 18 Councillors and presently Drogheda has 10.

My proposal is to increase the number of Councillors in Drogheda up to at least 15.

Regards

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