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I live in Ballygarvan less than 1 kilometre south of the Owenabue.

I am 1.5 miles from Carrigaline. I can (and do walk) to the village frequently. My postal address is Carrigaline and my phone is on the Carrigaline exchange.

My children go to secondary school in Carrigaline. We shop and socialise in Carrigaline. My elected Dail representatives are based in Carrigaline. In fact we are between Carrigaline and Ballincollig. Yet I am in the Bandon/Kinsale local electoral area from the last boundary review. We are too far from the main centers of population in this electoral area to see one of the elected representatives showing an interest in our issues.

If I lived mid way between both places, then I could understand why we were shifted. But we don't. And I certainly don't see any improvement in the level of service if you were trying to allocate those out

When I contact the council in Kinsale about issues (litter, potholes, community grants) I am speaking with people 15 miles away who have no knowledge of my local area and who will never visit because we are too far away.

When we were in the Ballincollig / Carrigaline Area we got a quick response to any issues. But now litter is building up. Potholes are not being filled yet I am still paying the same taxes.

Please reverse the boundary decisions and put us back where it makes sense.

Best regards

Denis Looney