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I am writing to you to voice my concern and hope to influence you to move Ballygarvan back into the same Electoral Area as Carrigaline. I have lived in Ballygarvan for the past 10 years and am a homeowner.

Putting us into the Bandon-Kinsale area, assigns us to Cllrs that have no interest in our area. On the west cork side, the next town is Kinsale, which is 10 miles away, where we are just over 3 from Carrigaline. After the last local elections, I emailed several of the Cllrs that were elected in Bandon-Kinsale about issues in Ballygarvan and not one of them did anything to help out. Since I have been in contact with Cllrs based around Carrigaline and they have been far more interested in the issues in our village.

Another major point I have is, that when voting in the local elections we are in Bandon-Kinsale (West Cork), but for the general elections we are in Cork City South. So if I voted for someone in the locals, and they helped me and they ran for the Generals 2 years later, I could not vote for them. That is beyond careless.

I understand that you have to draw a line somewhere, but Ballygarvan is very much a surrounding village of Carrigaline and the residents work and socialize in the Carrigaline or Douglas/City area.

I do not feel I am represented by anyone in Bandon-Kinsale, and those who do help me, I can not vote for and feel embarrassed to get there help.

Please change this, because it is only right.

Regards,

Peter