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3<sup>RD</sup> May, 2018 Submission to [boundarycommittee@housing.gov.ie](mailto:boundarycommittee@housing.gov.ie)

Re: Local Electoral Area Boundary Review

Location: Crosshaven, Cork South Central Constituency, Bandon-Kinsale Municipal District

Crosshaven Fine Gael make the following observations concerning local electoral area boundary review currently being undertaken. Crosshaven is an expanding village of some 1400 no population located on south west of Cork Harbour, 10 km from town of Carrigaline and includes bay areas of Fennells Bay, Myrtleville and Fountainstown.

Since 2014 Crosshaven and surrounding areas are in Bandon-Kinsale Municipal area of Cork County Council and any liaising with the Council is through offices and engineer based in Kinsale. Prior to 2014 review, we were in Ballincollig-Carrigaline local electoral area of Cork County Council and we feel any revision of boundary now should re-instate Crosshaven including Fennells Bay, Myrtleville and Fountainstown into the new Carrigaline electoral area. It is noted also that in July 2017, Cork County Council advised that Crosshaven area would in future liaise with Council and Engineer in offices located in Carrigaline.

Our geographical location south of Carrigaline and with boundary on western side of Ownabue estuary means Crosshaven and surrounding areas has a greater affinity with Carrigaline than Kinsale. Crosshaven village is growing in population, we have retail, schooling (national and secondary), recreational facilities, good sporting clubs including yacht club and visitor attractions.

We are inextricably linked to Carrigaline area, it is our largest nearby town, with R612 a direct access route. We also have a regular public transport service. Our community is linked very much with the Carrigaline area and we avail of facilities there including retail, commercial, social services, medical centre and recreational amenities. Many work in the locality and there are generational family links between Crosshaven and Carrigaline.

With agree boundary changes for Cork City, it is vital that we are reinstated in Carrigaline local electoral district. We strongly feel Crosshaven including Fennells Bay, Myrtleville and Fountainstown should be included in local electoral area for Carrigaline following the current boundary revision.

Crosshaven Fine Gael