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## City of Marion Boundary Change Potential Proposal (Stage 1)

Dear Mayor Wilson

I write to notify you that the SA Local Government Boundaries Commission (the Commission) has received a potential boundary change proposal (Stage 1) from the City of Marion.

The potential proposal affects the area of Seacliff Park (Cement Hill Development) affecting the boundaries of the City of Marion and the City of Holdfast Bay.

The Commission will consider the City of Marion's potential proposal against the requirements of Chapter 3, Part 2 of the *Local Government Act 1999* (the Act) and the Commission's *Guideline 3 — Submitting a General Proposal to the Commission*, and provide advice it considers relevant.

As you are aware, the intent of the two-stage requirement under Guideline 3 is to enable the Commission to provide advice at (Stage 1) before extensive work is done by a proponent to develop a general proposal (Stage 2).

This advice could include a request for further information, or that a general proposal (Stage 2) may be submitted to the Commission. Your Council will be notified of the Commission's advice to the City of Marion and the potential proposal will be published on the Commission's webpage (<https://www.agd.sa.gov.au/lgbc>).

When discussing a proposal, the Commission gives close consideration to the requirements of Guideline 3 and the principles contained under section 26 of the Act. These principles are of fundamental importance to boundary change proposals and ultimately form the basis of any recommendation that the Commission may make to the Minister.

I emphasise that if advice is provided to the City of Marion that a general proposal (Stage 2) can be referred to the Commission, this does not mean that the Commission has recommended that the boundary change should proceed.

The Commission's approval that a proponent may submit a general proposal (Stage 2) means that the Commission has formed the view that the City of Marion's proposal is generally aligned with the s 26 principles, and that the proponent may therefore undertake the more detailed work that is necessary to develop a general proposal (Stage 2), if they so choose.

If a general proposal (Stage 2) is referred to the Commission, the Commission will firstly determine whether or not it will inquire into the proposal in line with the Commission's Guideline 4. If the Commission determines to inquire into a proposal, it will undertake a thorough investigation, including consultation with all affected Council's and communities. It is at this point that the Commission will seek the views of the affected Councils and communities.

The Commission understands that affected councils and communities may wish to keep their communities informed about potential proposals and investigations.

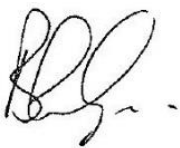
If your council does choose to provide this information to your community, the Commission requests that you clarify that the Commission is an independent statutory authority that will undertake its own consultation to ensure that it fully understands the informed views of all affected communities on any proposed boundary change before it makes a recommendation to the Minister. If this proposal does proceed to an investigation, your community will be engaged in this process so that it has ample opportunity to put its views to the Commission.

The Commission also encourages any councils or members of the public who are concerned about a proposed boundary change to make contact with the Commission's staff in the first instance to discuss the Commission's processes.

Further information about the Commission, its nine guidelines and current boundary change proposals are available at— <https://www.agd.sa.gov.au/lqbc>.

Should you have any further queries about the information required please contact the Commission on 7109 7164 or by email at [boundaries.commission@sa.gov.au](mailto:boundaries.commission@sa.gov.au).

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'B. Green', with a stylized flourish at the end.

**Bruce Green**

Chair

South Australian Local Government Boundaries Commission

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