

Ward Review Feedback

#	Name	Preferred Option	Comment	Officer Comment
1	Ross Taylor and Clare Taylor	Option One	Maintain the current four ward system with eight members and a directly elected Mayor.	Noted
2	James Atkinson	Option One	I support maintaining the Ward Boundaries in their current format. It ensures a more equitable election process and focus on local issues.	Noted
3	Julia Hayes	Option One	As an elector in the Town of Cottesloe I support retention of the 4 ward boundary system and 8 councillors.	Noted
4	Matthew Callanan	Option One	As an elector in the Town of Cottesloe I support retention of the 4 ward boundary system and 8 councillors.	Noted
5	Mark Powell	Option One	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The number of elected members is currently a good balance. • The ward boundaries currently are within acceptable variation and do not need reviewing until such time as they go beyond this. • The current 4 Wards with 2 Elected Members in each should be kept as this: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Enables a good cross section of the community to run for council. - Does not make the prospect of campaigning too onerous or expensive. - Makes residents feel listened to and represented. - Avoids special interest groups from dominating council. - Broadens elected members beyond those with time and money. 	Noted
6	Allison Manners	Option One	As a ratepayer and elector in the Town of Cottesloe I support retention of the current 4 ward boundary system and 8 councillors.	Noted
7	Jaime Atkinson	Option One	I wish to register my support for the Town of Cottesloe ward boundaries remaining unchanged. The current system allows residents better access to Councillors with local knowledge and allows fair voting across the suburb.	Noted
8	Dr Greg van Schie	Option One (with suggestion)	<p>I prefer a ward system. Local government is about local issues, and having wards means there are dedicated councillors to contact regarding any issues in their patch.</p> <p>Given the above, I would prefer if, where possible, the boundaries could be altered slightly so that they do not pass along the middle of streets with two sides of the street in separate wards. Any issues pertaining to streets are likely to affect both sides of the street and would be more easily dealt with by one ward councillor.</p> <p>I believe the Council should keep the current Ward structure for the following reasons:</p>	Noted. Achieving the necessary voter to Elected Member ratio often means dividing streets. Wherever the boundaries are drawn these issues will arise with neighbours in separate wards.
9	Kirsty Barrett	Option One	<p>I believe the Council should keep the current Ward structure for the following reasons:</p> <p>Advantages of keeping 4 ward boundaries:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Easy to identify your local councillor – the residents and ratepayers know who to contact if they have issues • Enables people to run for local government if they work full or part time as they only need to knock on doors in ¼ of the suburb. If no ward boundaries, the potential councillor needs to knock on doors in the entire suburb. • Encourages younger members of society to become involved - those who may have children and jobs as opposed to retired persons who may have more free time for campaigning • Rate payers may end up voting for potential councillors simply because they have seen their name in the press – not necessarily the best person for the job! 	Noted
10	Deon White	Option One	I would favour keeping the current wards as it gives a good distribution of representation across the Town and allows Councillor to understand and be available for particular local issues if required.	Noted
11	Greg Barrett	Option One	<p>I believe the Council should keep the current Ward structure for the following reasons:</p> <p>Advantages of keeping 4 ward boundaries:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Easy to identify your local councillor – the residents and ratepayers know who to contact if they have issues • Enables people to run for local government if they work full or part time as they only need to knock on doors in ¼ of the suburb. If no ward boundaries, the potential councillor needs to knock on doors in the entire suburb. • Encourages younger members of society to become involved - those who may have children and jobs as opposed to retired persons who may have more free time for campaigning • Rate payers may end up voting for potential councillors simply because they have seen their name in the press – not necessarily the best person for the job! 	Noted
12	Lara Bucher	Option One	I believe the current structure of the Cottesloe wards to be the most suitable structure to encourage more people to vote, to ensure greater councillor variability in terms of gender, working status and skills base and to reduce waste and expenditure at election time.	Noted

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13	Nick Rea	Option One	It is my opinion that the current system of 8 elected representatives across four wards and one directly elected Mayor should be maintained. This structure provides a focal point for ward residents to raise concerns or issues with and is also balanced in that there are enough elected members so that extreme views or those specific to one ward are not dealt with without considering the whole of Cottesloe. There is also no requirement for ward representatives to live in their ward which also helps avoid a NIMBY mentality.	Noted
14	Tim Crommelin	Option One (requested further information)	I believe the Council should keep the current Ward structure and select Option 1: Maintain the current four ward system with eight elected members and a directly elected Mayor....for the following reasons: Reasons for keeping 4 ward boundaries: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Easy to identify your local councillor – the residents and ratepayers know who to contact if they have issues • Given the rather large area of the suburb (4kms) elected members are likely more easily accessible to the electors of the ward they represent. • Just because the Local Gov't laws requires it to be reviewed is not necessarily a reason in itself to change, particularly when it could potentially result in a less democratic system i.e. fewer representatives and fewer boundaries Please present real evidence of the current structure not functioning as designed, or where its limitations are resulting in real issues. If it's a financial driver, what are the associated savings vs additional costs to change?	Noted. If Council was to reduce the number of Elected Members there would be a small cost saving of approximately \$15,000 per reduced Member and in printing etc. costs.
15	Katrina Downes	Option One	I would like to see the ward structure remain as it is. Breaking the suburb up into four wards allows Councillors to build relationships within those areas. If it was one whole area this would be much harder to maintain. The wards give the residents a feeling of being part of a smaller community within the larger Cottesloe community. It allows Councillors to lobby the area effectively and deal with issues relevant to the local ward area. It allows residents to have a voice that they feel really represents their wards specific issues. Please maintain the ward structure as it is.	Noted
16	Erin Kruk	Option One	I have lived in Cottesloe for over 25 years and would like to support the retention of the Ward System for the Town Council. It seems equitable that there are two elected Members for each Ward and a Mayor elected by all residents and ratepayers. I like the fact that each Ward has two representatives which means all areas of Cottesloe receive consideration in local matters. Familiarity with our particular representatives makes it straightforward to contact them on any issues relevant to us or concerns we have about the town. I believe that by changing this system, those with limited time, resources and exposure are disadvantaged and we would lose some potentially excellent candidates. Door knocking, advertising and lobbying for election are time consuming and expensive activities and by limiting the area to Wards, it keeps it manageable for all candidates, resulting in a more representative council.	Noted
17	Bill and Lee Hazel	Option One	I strongly believe that the council should remain as outlined within Option 1. That is retain the current format of the council and election of councillors. The benefit of doing this will be: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Having only two elected Councillors it will be far easier for ratepayers to establish a rapport with 2 people rather than have to engage with 8 people to consider local issues. 2. Allows potential councillors to engage with only circa 1500 residents to become elected rather than trying to engage with the whole community. 3. As the council demographic will invariably change and in Cottesloe's case become younger it is imperative that the council has a stronger representation of younger councillors who in most cases would be time constrained and therefore would find it more difficult to engage with the entire community rather than 1500 within the ward structure. 4. There is a greater chance that ratepayers will be able to meet and understand potential councillors' beliefs, philosophies and directions for the council if they only need to assess 2 candidates rather than 8. 5. The 4 ward system has served us well in the past and if it ain't broke don't try and fix it. 	Noted

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18	Phil and Carol Angers	Option One	<p>Cottesloe has nearly 6,000 electors. The current system divides the electors roughly into 4 wards with 2 councillors for each ward and one Mayor for the whole district.</p> <p>I believe the Town of Cottesloe should keep the current 4 Ward structure as it is the easiest system to encourage local people to run for office because:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Having 4 wards reduces the number of residents a councillor is responsible for. This makes it easier for a resident to identify and get to know their local councillor especially should the resident need to know who to contact when issues with council arise. Councillors are also better able to know and understand the needs of their ward and ratepayers. 2. At election time, canvassing and meeting electors in one ward rather than the entire community of nearly 6000 electors is far more feasible timewise. This is important for younger working, time-poor candidates, especially those with families to tend to. 3. Printing brochures, cards and posters for one ward instead of the whole community reduces the candidate's expense. 4. Having 4 wards also reduces the number of interruptions and waste to residents with only 2 candidates instead of 8, door knocking and leaving their brochures. 	Noted
19	Donna Pearson	Option One	<p>I am writing in support of the current system of ward boundaries in Cottesloe and do not want the system to be changed to a system without wards.</p> <p>The current system supports greater diversity on council, as the election process is less onerous than an open ward system. In my view, this encourages participation by a larger number of people, as people who have work and or family commitments are able to participate in the process, without having to door-knock or campaign the entire suburb. This ensures all prospective candidates are able to explain their views and reasons for standing for Council to the electors in their ward, without having to campaign full time, and this encourages greater elector participation in the election process</p> <p>The current system has ensured that I am aware of who my local candidates are, and I feel very comfortable that I am able to contact them with concerns or queries that I have had from time to time about the Town.</p> <p>I have lived in Cottesloe for 27 years, and in my current ward for 8 years. I believe the current system works well.</p>	Noted
20	Fiona Kelly	Option Three	I would like to see the current system changed to not having a ward system and 6 Elected members plus a mayor	Noted
21	Peter Goff	Option One	<p>Thanks for inviting submissions on the matter of Council representation and whether we should have a system of wards. In my opinion, Cottesloe is divided naturally into several areas and each has its own issues. For example, the railway line provides a clear demarkation. On this basis, I believe a ward system remains appropriate as different issues will apply to different areas. I therefore favour retaining a system similar to that currently applying, that is, option one.</p> <p>Should it be decided that wards are not appropriate, I favour option three.</p>	Noted
22	Mark Westlake	Option Three	<p>I support option 3.</p> <p>A no ward system with 6 elected members and a directly elected Mayor.</p> <p>I strongly support all councillors being residents of Cottesloe.</p>	Noted. The Local Government Act does allow for non-residents to be an Elected Member providing they meet certain criteria, for example, own property in the district and have nominated to be on the Electoral Roll.
23	Dr Amanda Frazer	Option Three	Please note my preference of no wards (irrelevant in Cott) and the 6 elected Councillors with a directly elected mayor.	Noted
24	Ann Kay	Option Three	<p>I submit that I will vote for Option 3 :</p> <p>OPTION 3 - Implement a no ward system with six elected members and a directly elected Mayor.</p> <p>Instead of only representing the rate payers in their wards, every councilor should make decisions in the best interests of the Town of Cottesloe. Decisions made in any one ward will always have an effect on the other wards in our small town. Is it not our aim to make our town a desirable suburb in which people will enjoy living?</p>	Noted
25	Yvonne Quann	Option Three	<p>My preference would be Option 3 - 6 councillors, no wards and an elected mayor.</p> <p>That way we will get (hopefully) the best 6 people to represent the whole of Cottesloe.</p>	Noted

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26	John Garland	Option One	I am writing in respect to the request for submissions regarding ward boundaries, their retention or elimination. My wife and I are of the firm belief that ward boundaries should be maintained. Although Cottesloe Council is not a large geographic area compared to other Councils, each ward still has its own related issues and localised knowledge by the elected representative of these issues better serves the residents of that particular area. Similarly, I believe it is easier to know and contact the representative of that area to raise issues or discuss Council business. Ward representatives can also canvass a smaller area more effectively when elections are held, ensuing rate payers get a better chance to meet candidates and have discussions relevant to their particular area. Thank you for the opportunity to voice my thoughts.	Noted
27	Joan Sharpe	Option Three	Please see my preference below regarding the question of council ward boundaries and number of elected councillors. I select : OPTION 3 - Implement a no ward system with six elected members and a directly elected Mayor.	Noted
28	Kate Akerman	Option One	I would like to write in favour of keeping the current Ward system, which I understand is currently under review. The current system is my preference as I think it will help maintain a diverse range of councillors and particularly those with other interests, such as family and employment. It may be easier for a candidate to be elected if they only need to canvass one ward. Another concern is a Ward free system may lead candidates to join together to campaign for each other, potentially forming cliques on Council and compromising independence. The current ward system reduces this risk.	Noted
29	John Ibbs	Option Three	I think the present system of wards is excessive and inefficient. Cottesloe is a small town and I feel it does not warrant wards. I also feel eight councillors and an elected mayor again is excessive and inefficient. I would like to see no wards at all, six elected councillors and an elected mayor. This would certainly increase efficiency, reduce costs but more importantly give all rate payers and residents a greater voice within the council.	Noted
30	Jamie and Lisa Murdoch	Option One	I urge all elected members at Cottesloe Council to retain the current Ward system. We have lived in Cottesloe for over 20 years, retaining the current system will retain the great variety of people on council as time poor candidates (due to family/work/volunteering/sport obligations) can campaign in their ward only and not waste time on the entire municipality. I also enjoy contacting my local ward member as they know the issues in my particular street! The current system works well with a good mix of elected members in our area – they are independent and diverse – therefore don't change.	Noted
31	Tania Waters	Option Three	In your request for residents to review the council ward boundaries and number of elected members, I am in favour of your Option 3, being the implementation of no ward system with six elected members and a directly elected Mayor.	Noted
32	Natalie Kendal	Option One	I am writing regarding the proposed changes to ward boundaries. I respectfully submit the existing ward boundaries should be retained because I believe that leaving them as they are: 1. enables councillors to be personally known and elected by local ratepayers within their neighbouring area 2. enables councillors to represent neighbouring ratepayers on particularly local issues which are relevant to that ward 3. enables manageable campaigning, so that people can balance their time and resources when campaigning to be elected as a councillor appropriately with other existing commitments in their lives	Noted
33	Jim Turnmore	Option Three	With regard to this survey my vote goes for option 3	Noted
34	Bruce Jenkins	Option One	feedback from residents/ratepayers on Council WARD BOUNDARIES and the NUMBER OF ELECTED MEMBERS In regard to the proposed changes to Councillors I prefer option 1 - keep the status quo	Noted

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35	Peter Harold	Option One	<p>SUBMISSION RE REVIEW OF COUNCIL WARD BOUNDARIES AND NUMBER OF ELECTED MEMBERS I fully support retaining the existing four ward system with eight elected members and a directly elected Mayor.</p> <p>The reasons for this are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Different sectors of the community can be represented, ensuring a good spread of representation and interests amongst Elected Members. • There is more opportunity for Elected Members to have knowledge and interest in the issues of their local ward. <p>Without a ward system, Elected Members may feel overwhelmed by having to represent all electors, and may not have time or opportunity to understand and represent all the issues.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elected members may be more easily accessible to the electors of the ward they represent. • In a no ward system, Electors may feel that they are not adequately represented if they do not have an affinity with any of the Elected Members. • Elected Members living in a certain area have a greater affinity and understanding of the issues specific to that area. • Without a ward system, there is potential for an interest group to dominate Council. • It may be more difficult and costly for candidates to be elected if they need to canvass the entire local government. • A smaller number of Elected Members may result in an increased workload and may lessen effectiveness. A more demanding role may discourage other from nominating for Council. • A reduction in the number of Elected Members may limit the diversity of interests around the Council table. • Opportunities for community participation in Council affairs may be reduced if there are fewer Elected Members for the community to contact. 	Noted
36	Paul MacFarlane	Option One	<p>I firmly believe the current ward boundaries should be retained for the following reasons;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Wards make it easier for councillors to properly represent an area – and to be in touch with local issues that residents want addressed 2. Standing for election and campaigning across the broader Town boundaries is overwhelming compared to campaigning across your ward. To attract as wide a range of candidates as possible it is better to have wards. 3. Residents and ratepayers have more “ownership” of the local government process when they have wards and specific representatives on the council. 	Noted
37	Gill Vivian	Option Three	<p>This would be my preference thanks - Implement a no ward system with six elected members and a directly elected Mayor.</p>	Noted
38	Michael Simkovic	Option One	<p>I do not support ANY CHANGE to existing four ward system with eight elected members and a directly elected Mayor.</p> <p>The reasons for this are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are a diverse suburb with a range of age groups and interested community members and we need to ensure that there is a good spread of representation and interests via our Elected Members. • Many Elected Members have a day job and represent the community and interest in the issues of their local ward. A change to this may result in the Elected Members overwhelmed by having to represent all electors, and will not be able to perform this work without being a full time Councillor. This will limit the availability and desire for residents to become councillors. • I believe that this is suiting some personal agendas so as to have greater control and influence over the whole Council. We will NOT have an appropriate representation. • In a no ward system, Electors may feel that they are not adequately represented if they do not have an affinity with any of the Elected Members. • Elected Members living in a certain area have a greater affinity and understanding of the issues specific to that area. • Costs and time required for candidates to be elected if they need to canvass the entire local government. • A smaller number of Elected Members may result in an increased workload and may lessen effectiveness. A more demanding role may discourage other from nominating for Council. • A reduction in the number of Elected Members may limit the diversity of interests around the Council table. • Opportunities for community participation in Council affairs may be reduced if there are fewer Elected Members for the community to contact. 	Noted
39	Dallas Hickman	Option Three	Option 3 is my preference	Noted

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40	Alan Wilson	Option One	I support option 1 in the Review of Council Ward Boundaries and Number of Elected Members. I believe that retaining the current four ward system with eight elected members and a directly elected Mayor is the best option for the Town of Cottesloe. Dividing the Town of Cottesloe into 4 wards allows the current 2 representatives in each ward to be more familiar with local problems, personalities and people. Usually the representative lives in that ward. The increase in divisive and complex problems will make it more difficult for a Councillor to be adequately involved with all the issues over the whole of the Town if there were no wards. Some issues are more relevant to one ward than to others. Two Councillors in each ward allows local people adequate opportunity to consult a Councillor who is likely to live nearby. I believe that this is a big advantage. Councillors do have a significant workload now and as this is an honorary position, they should not be overloaded with work.	Noted
41	Roger Weston	Option Three	Please note I support the following option: OPTION 3 - Implement a no ward system with six elected members and a directly elected Mayor.	Noted
42	Gunther Jank	Option Three	I prefer the following proposed system OPTION 3 - Implement a no ward system with six elected members and a directly elected Mayor.	Noted
43	Chris and Gail Lee	Option Three	Cottesloe ward boundaries and supporting 8 elected Councillors is not necessary. We support no ward boundaries and only 6 elected Councillors.	Noted
44	Daniel O'Leary	Option One	I believe that Cottesloe should retain the current Ward System, with two Elected Members elected by each Ward and a Mayor elected by all residents and ratepayers. This system allows people who have work and family commitments to participate in the process, as it means that they can door knock the residents in their Ward only, rather than door-knocking the entire suburb. Many potentially excellent candidates simply don't have the time to do that. It allows candidates the time and opportunity to explain their views and reasons for standing, and thereby allows electors the opportunity to make informed decisions when voting. It allows those with more limited resources to gain exposure – those with greater resources can (and do) take out advertisements in the local newspapers and thus gain exposure not available to all. As more electors get to meet the candidates for their Ward than would be the case under a system without Wards, it means that electors are more comfortable to call on their ward representative if they have concerns or queries about the Town Cottesloe's Council needs to represent and reflect the demographics of the suburb. Ensuring that the process is open to candidates with less time and resources will, over time, result in a more representative Council.	Noted
45	Michael O'Leary	Option One	I believe that the current 4-ward system for elections in Cottesloe, with members elected by residents and ratepayers of their ward, and a mayor elected by all residents and ratepayers, is the best system for Cottesloe. Personally, I would not want to see any changes to the present system. This system results in a more diverse and independent council, as it allows people who have work and family commitments to participate in the process. Many candidates simply don't have the time to contact electors in the entire suburb. As more electors get to meet the candidates for their Ward they get a clearer picture of what the candidates stand for and, after the election, are more comfortable to contact their ward's elected member with issues.	Noted
46	Chris Newall and Anna Roberts	Option Three	We support the option to remove ward boundaries with 6-8 elected councillors and the directly elected mayor	Noted
47	Helen Burke	Option One	I agree that the current wad system should remain in Cottesloe. It prevents cliques on Council. Candidates can canvas there own ward and become involved with their own Ward have more knowledge open up a great communication with their Ward members. Younger people who want to run for Council often work and haven't the time to campaign the whole of the Cottesloe electorate. As a past Councillor the smaller seperate wards worked very well.	Noted
48	Jim and Mary Kendal	Option One	I and my wife Mary are responding to the request for comments on the above subject. We wish to retain the current boundaries to the Wards and also retain the number of elected members. We believe that knowing the local members within our ward is important to our link to the Council.	Noted

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50	Jospeh Lenny	Option One	<p>SUBMISSION RE REVIEW OF COUNCIL WARD BOUNDARIES AND NUMBER OF ELECTED MEMBERS I fully support retaining the existing four ward system with eight elected members and a directly elected Mayor. The reasons for this are as follows: Different sectors of the community can be represented, ensuring a good spread of representation and interests amongst Elected Members. There is more opportunity for Elected Members to have knowledge and interest in the issues of their local ward. Without a ward system, Elected Members may feel overwhelmed by having to represent all electors, and may not have time or opportunity to understand and represent all the issues. Elected members may be more easily accessible to the electors of the ward they represent. In a no ward system, Electors may feel that they are not adequately represented if they do not have an affinity with any of the Elected Members. Elected Members living in a certain area have a greater affinity and understanding of the issues specific to that area. Without a ward system, there is potential for an interest group to dominate Council. It may be more difficult and costly for candidates to be elected if they need to canvass the entire local government. A smaller number of Elected Members may result in an increased workload and may lessen effectiveness. A more demanding role may discourage other from nominating for Council. A reduction in the number of Elected Members may limit the diversity of interests around the Council table. Opportunities for community participation in Council affairs may be reduced if there are fewer Elected Members for the community to contact.</p>	Noted
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54	James Wilshire	Option One	I think if local councillors are prepared to stand for office it's better that they represent our individual ward and cannot see any compelling reason to alter the current system. Thanks for the opportunity to have a say.	Noted
55	Gavin Offer	Option One	Submission RE Review of Council Ward Boundaries and Number of Elected Members I fully support retaining the existing four ward system with eight elected members and a directly elected Mayor. The reasons for this are as follows: Different sectors of the community can be represented, ensuring a good spread of representation and interests amongst Elected Members. There is more opportunity for Elected Members to have knowledge and interest in the issues of their local ward. Without a ward system, Elected Members may feel overwhelmed by having to represent all electors, and may not have time or opportunity to understand and represent all the issues. Elected members may be more easily accessible to the electors of the ward they represent. In a no ward system, Electors may feel that they are not adequately represented if they do not have an affinity with any of the Elected Members. Elected Members living in a certain area have a greater affinity and understanding of the issues specific to that area. Without a ward system, there is potential for an interest group to dominate Council. It may be more difficult and costly for candidates to be elected if they need to canvass the entire local government. A smaller number of Elected Members may result in an increased workload and may lessen effectiveness. A more demanding role may discourage other from nominating for Council. A reduction in the number of Elected Members may limit the diversity of interests around the Council table. Opportunities for community participation in Council affairs may be reduced if there are fewer Elected Members for the community to contact.	Noted
56	Claire Cowdell	Option Three	I WOULD LIKE NO WARD SYSTEM AND 6 COUNCILLORS WITH MAYOR ELECTED DIRECTLY	Noted

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57	Jodie McIntosh	Option One	I would like to make a submission regarding the ward boundaries review. It is my view that the ward boundaries be left in place as this system makes it easier for a more diverse group of people to be elected to council.	Noted
58	Johnathon Bull	Option One	I would like to submit to the review that the current Ward system should stay in place as it provides the opportunity for those with less resources and less ability to organise to still become represented. This leads to more diversity on the council which is a good thing.	Noted
59	Emma Eggleston	Option One	I read you are conducting a review of the Council Ward Boundaries. I certainly believe you should retain the 'wards' as opposed to a certain number of councillors. I like that we have contact with our 'ward' councillors and they are our designated go-to person. It keeps it personal and accessible. Wards make it easier to know your councillor and for them to walk and introduce themselves to the ward. It will make it easier for regular people to be on council, canvassing a small area as opposed to candidates with an 'agenda' flooding the system. I feel strongly about this, especially with the Railway St development issue of recent years and now the absurd Jasper Green proposals -which noone in the community asked for or needs!!!	Noted
60	Elizabeth Bolt	Option One	SUBMISSION RE REVIEW OF COUNCIL WARD BOUNDARIES AND NUMBER OF ELECTED MEMBERS I fully support retaining the existing four ward system with eight elected members and a directly elected Mayor. The reasons for this are as follows: Different sectors of the community can be represented, ensuring a good spread of representation and interests amongst Elected Members. There is more opportunity for Elected Members to have knowledge and interest in the issues of their local ward. Without a ward system, Elected Members may feel overwhelmed by having to represent all electors, and may not have time or opportunity to understand and represent all the issues. Elected members may be more easily accessible to the electors of the ward they represent. In a no ward system, Electors may feel that they are not adequately represented if they do not have an affinity with any of the Elected Members. Elected Members living in a certain area have a greater affinity and understanding of the issues specific to that area. Without a ward system, there is potential for an interest group to dominate Council. It may be more difficult and costly for candidates to be elected if they need to canvass the entire local government. A smaller number of Elected Members may result in an increased workload and may lessen effectiveness. A more demanding role may discourage other from nominating for Council. A reduction in the number of Elected Members may limit the diversity of interests around the Council table. Opportunities for community participation in Council affairs may be reduced if there are fewer Elected Members for the community to contact.	Noted
61	Phillipa Wiggins	Option One	I request that you maintain the current four ward system with eight elected members and a directly elected Mayor.	Noted
62	Andrew Kalatatas	Option One	I just wanted to comment on the Town of Cottesloe's review of its Council Ward Boundaries and Number of Elected Members. I am in favour of retaining the current Ward system. Reasons being listed below: Advantages of retaining the current Ward system <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • easier for a candidate to be elected if they only need to canvass one ward. This would more likely to lead to greater diversity on Council. This will encourage people who are time poor to not be put off by the campaigning process and introduce greater diversity to council. • The time and resources needed to successfully campaign in a Ward free system may lead candidates to join together to campaign for each other, thereby potentially compromising independence. The current ward system reduces this risk. • Elected members may be more easily accessible to the electors of the ward they represent. • There is more opportunity for elected Members to have knowledge and interest in the issues of their local ward. In summary Cottesloe is small enough for Elected Members to have knowledge and interest in all areas of the Town's affairs. A broader section of the community can be represented, ensuring a greater spread of representation and interests amongst elected Members.	Noted

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63	Phillipa Kalafatas	Option One	<p>I am in favour of retaining the current Ward system. The reasons being listed below: Advantages of retaining the current Ward system</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elected members may be more easily accessible to the electors of the ward they represent. • The time and resources needed to successfully campaign in a Ward free system may lead candidates to join together to campaign for each other, thereby potentially compromising independence. The current ward system reduces this risk. • There is more opportunity for elected Members to have knowledge and interest in the issues of their local ward. • easier for a candidate to be elected if they only need to canvass one ward. This would more likely to lead to greater diversity on Council. This will encourage people who are time poor to not be put off by the campaigning process and introduce greater diversity to council. <p>In summary Cottesloe is small enough for the elected to have knowledge and interest in all areas of the Town's affairs. A broader section of the community can be represented, ensuring a greater spread of representation and interests amongst elected Members.</p>	Noted
64	Kate and Rob Weight	Option Three	<p>Currently there are too many Elected Members in Cottesloe (9, including the Mayor). I believe 6 Elected Members and a elected Mayor would work better and provide a more accountable Council.</p>	Noted
65	Rob Freeth	Option Two	<p>I support OPTION 2 - Implement a no ward system with eight elected members and a directly elected Mayor. Rationale: (a) The wards add little value, and in fact increase the number of Councillors "elected unopposed". (b) Reducing the number of elected Councillors increases the possibility that the Council could be "stacked" by a special interest group, or other political interest.</p>	Noted
66	Brad Wylynko	Option One	<p>I write to express my support for the ward system. In my view, moving away from the ward system will severely limit the number and type of people who can be elected to council. This is because campaigning across the whole of the Town is enormously time consuming, and effectively cuts out people with families and other commitments who might be a tremendous asset to the Town, but simply can't go through a whole of Town election exercise. In addition, electing members by ward means they are in touch with the local community, and more accessible to ratepayers. They are more likely to know and understand the local issues. Finally, the ward system limits the ability of political parties to engage in local politics. Although any individual councillor may have political affiliations, under a ward system there is less chance of several such councillors campaigning together and forming a block. This means that local government can stay local. I encourage council to support the ward system.</p>	Noted
67	Jack Walsh	Alternate Option	<p>I read your information pages and saw the sentence "Submission forms are available online" so I looked for them then searched for them. They must be very well hidden, I certainly couldn't find them!! I support having at least 3 wards with 6 EMs plus a Mayor. Despite the report I believe there is certainly a different view of Cottesloe between south and north Cottesloe with a lesser, but some, difference in views east of Curtin Ave/the railway line. I am reasonably supportive of the current 4 wards with 8 EMs the better balance residents per ward and differences in view. I do not support a no ward system. The ward system gives residents a better connection with EMs and should give better representation and consultation with residents. They feel more connected, listened to, and involved with a ward system.</p>	Noted. There was no reference to a submission form being available online, it may be possible this was advised by a third party in error.
68	Fulvio Prainito	Option Three	<p>I would like the ToC to implement Option 3 regarding the above. A no ward system with six elected members and a directly elected Mayor would be more efficient as well as reflect the current reality that Councillors do not act as ward representatives because a one suburb local government area does not need wards.</p>	Noted
69	Barb Pascoe	Option Three	<p>I am a south ward ratepayer and have lived here for over 40 years. I am in favour of option 3 which is 6 councillors and a directly elected Mayor. Over the years I have not necessarily had help from Councillors in my ward when I needed it and I believe that in Cottesloe, we would be better served by a smaller number of councillors who can address issues on any aspect of Cottesloe, rather than ratepayers thinking that only their local council member can represent them.</p>	Noted
70	Greg Boland	Option Two	<p>I support Option 2.</p>	Noted

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71	Jane Marwick	Option One	<p>SUBMISSION RE REVIEW OF COUNCIL WARD BOUNDARIES AND NUMBER OF ELECTED MEMBERS I fully support retaining the existing four ward system with eight elected members and a directly elected Mayor.</p> <p>The reasons for this are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Different sectors of the community can be represented, ensuring a good spread of representation and interests amongst Elected Members. • There is more opportunity for Elected Members to have knowledge and interest in the issues of their local ward. <p>Without a ward system, Elected Members may feel overwhelmed by having to represent all electors, and may not have time or opportunity to understand and represent all the issues.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elected members may be more easily accessible to the electors of the ward they represent. • In a no ward system, Electors may feel that they are not adequately represented if they do not have an affinity with any of the Elected Members. • Elected Members living in a certain area have a greater affinity and understanding of the issues specific to that area. • Without a ward system, there is potential for an interest group to dominate Council. • It may be more difficult and costly for candidates to be elected if they need to canvass the entire local government. • A smaller number of Elected Members may result in an increased workload and may lessen effectiveness. A more demanding role may discourage other from nominating for Council. • A reduction in the number of Elected Members may limit the diversity of interests around the Council table. • Opportunities for community participation in Council affairs may be reduced if there are fewer Elected Members for the community to contact. 	Noted
72	Joanne Keaney	Option One	<p>I would like to make a public submission in favour of retaining the current Cottesloe Council ward boundaries and numbers of elected members.</p> <p>The current system has served Cottesloe Council well for many years because it ensures diversity and independence on the Council.</p> <p>If the system was changed to a ward free system then this may deter certain candidates from becoming involved because they do not have the time or the resources to campaign across the entire electorate. It may also result in potential candidates forming alliances and campaigning together as a group which would compromise independence of candidates.</p> <p>The current system works well because Elected Members of each ward have an intimate knowledge of the local ward issues and are the first point of contact for their constituents.</p> <p><u>I would urge the Cottesloe Council to retain the current well functioning ward based system into the future.</u></p>	Noted
73	Sue Freeth	Option Two	<p>I support OPTION 2 - Implement a no ward system with eight elected members and a directly elected Mayor.</p> <p>Rationale:</p> <p>(a) The wards add little value, and in fact increase the number of Councillors "elected unopposed".</p> <p>(b) Reducing the number of elected Councillors increases the possibility that the Council could be "stacked" by a special interest group, or other political interest.</p> <p>Thank you for the opportunity to comment.</p>	Noted
74	Marion Ewing	Option One	<p>I wish to make a submission over the ward boundaries and elected members.</p> <p>Firstly I support the current representation of 2 Councillors per each of the 4 wards and an elected mayor.</p> <p>However with the current push for infill I would like more information on likely ward populations. North and South wards are already behind in representation so it would be good to know if the increased population predicted is likely to be evenly spread or focussed in certain areas -eg Deaf School precinct.</p> <p>Already factions within the Town have had huge impacts on who is elected to our Council and I feel that if the number of Councillors was reduced this could very easily result in a set of Councillors elected for single purposes which would be to the detriment of the Community as a whole.</p>	Noted
75	Liz and Rob Scott	Option One	<p>I strongly believe we should retain the current ward system. I feel it works really well.</p> <p>I believe it ensures diversity and independence on the council and, under the current system elected members are very easily accessible to the electors of the ward they represent.</p>	Noted

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76	Chilla Bulbeck	Option Three or Option One	<p>I am responding to Cr Sandra Boulter's call for submissions in response to the above. I agree with her reasoning that 6 councillors is sufficient and the whole electorate should elect them all, although I am not unhappy to continue with 8 councillors. I don't think the cost difference is much and if we have councillors who are ill or turn out not to be active supporters of our wishes and concerns then having a buffer may not be a bad thing.</p> <p>I believe we should continue to directly elect our mayor. This is an important role in which the rate-payers should have our say.</p> <p>Cr Boulter is correct that we go to whoever is active in seeking change rather than focus on our 'own' ward councillors. I would like to take this opportunity to comment Cr Boulter for ensuring council decisions are put before the community with background information and encouragement of our participation.</p> <p>Many thanks for the chance to participate in this discussion,</p>	Noted
77	Rob Kornweibel	Option Three	We are in favour of one ward for the whole of Cottesloe, 6 councillors and a directly elected mayor.	Noted
78	Johnathon Downes	Option One	<p>I am concerned about proposed changes to the ward structure and the motives behind the changes which I consider are not in the interests of the ratepayers. I would like to see the ward structure remain as it is and would hope to see the Councillors focus on more important matters such as reducing rates.</p> <p>I am comfortable that the very large suburb of Cottesloe is divided into four wards allowing individual Councillors to build meaningful relationships. This would be less achievable in the event there was a single larger ward. I believe the smaller wards also allows Councillors to focus on specific matters relevant to each ward area and enhances the voice that ratepayers have regarding their wards specific issues.</p> <p>Please maintain the ward structure as it is.</p>	Noted
79	Susannah Turle	Option One	<p>SUBMISSION RE REVIEW OF COUNCIL WARD BOUNDARIES AND NUMBER OF ELECTED MEMBERS I fully support retaining the existing four ward system with eight elected members and a directly elected Mayor.</p> <p>The reasons for this are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Different sectors of the community can be represented, ensuring a good spread of representation and interests amongst Elected Members. • There is more opportunity for Elected Members to have knowledge and interest in the issues of their local ward. Without a ward system, Elected Members may feel overwhelmed by having to represent all electors, and may not have time or opportunity to understand and represent all the issues. • Elected members may be more easily accessible to the electors of the ward they represent. • In a no ward system, Electors may feel that they are not adequately represented if they do not have an affinity with any of the Elected Members. • Elected Members living in a certain area have a greater affinity and understanding of the issues specific to that area. • Without a ward system, there is potential for an interest group to dominate Council. • It may be more difficult and costly for candidates to be elected if they need to canvass the entire local government. • A smaller number of Elected Members may result in an increased workload and may lessen effectiveness. A more demanding role may discourage other from nominating for Council. • A reduction in the number of Elected Members may limit the diversity of interests around the Council table. • Opportunities for community participation in Council affairs may be reduced if there are fewer Elected Members for the community to contact. 	Noted

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80	Rosie Walsh	Option One	<p>1. I support the retention of current ward boundaries.</p> <p>(a) Each ward is quite different. The statement in the accompanying item report "Cottesloe electors are relatively united" is naive and unsupported. Decades of living in Cottesloe has shown quite different issues of importance and opinions in each distinct ward.</p> <p>(b) Cottesloe wards and number of elected members were reduced and changed recently.</p> <p>(c) The supposition in the report that delineated wards produce one-dimensional EMs is unsupportable. It is the responsibility of ALL EMs to represent ALL electors in a balanced way. Community members SHOULD always be able to contact and discuss with ALL EM's.</p> <p>(d) Direct elections of all EMs, including mayor has the potential for an interest group to dominate the council.</p> <p>(e) I support EMs living in the ward for which they are elected.</p> <p>2. I support retaining the number of elected members as decided in a recent review. A mayor and 8 councillors - two for each of 4 wards.</p> <p>(a) I concur with the accompanying report that suggests with less EMs "there would be a potential for "dominance by a particular group" and "there is a potential for an interest group to dominate the council". The last council election (2017) showed that to be a distinct probability.</p> <p>(b) It would be easier for Party politics to enter our local government.</p>	Noted. The local Government Act does allow for non-residents to be an Elected Member providing they meet certain criteria i.e. own property in the district and have nominated to be on the Electoral Roll.
81	John Hammond	Option Three	<p>I support a review of the council ward boundaries and number of elected members so that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are no wards; • 6 elected members; • A directly elected Mayor. <p>There is no need for 8 members for a Town the size of Cottesloe.</p> <p>Additional members create additional work for the CEO and administration.</p> <p>Wards are an artificial creation.</p> <p>Councillors represent all of Cottesloe, not just their ward.</p> <p>I am sure there will be considerable savings by reducing the number of elected members and abolishing wards.</p>	Noted
82	Ruth Greble	Option One	<p>I thank you for the opportunity to consult on this Review, and for the Information and Discussion papers with links to the relevant statute laws.</p> <p>1. I support the current allocation of 2 councillors per ward. It seems to work fine and it complies with the percentage ratio deviation in keeping with the Local Government Advisory Board.</p> <p>Also I know of no compelling reason to change and Council has plenty of work to deal with already.</p> <p>2. On the contrary there is a compelling reason to keep 2 Councillors per ward: for dependable representation of electors who are residents.</p> <p>3. It is clear, with the probable development of Wearne there will be an increase in electors living in South Ward. I think it would be advantageous to maintain the 2 Councillors through that process. As the project fills with electors, the time will come to look at boundary changes.</p> <p>4. Similarly, it would be good to keep 2 Councillors per ward through other burgeoning changes to population density in Town of Cottesloe. For example, the rise in numbers of resident electors with developments like the Station Street precinct, Railway Road/Congdon Street Swanbourne and other high density developments near amenities and transport, including the P2P bike path. Once occupied, these developments will all require a fresh look for Ward boundary changes to keep compliance.</p> <p>5. It would be wise to be prepared for inevitable boundary changes to maintain compliance with the Percentage ratio deviation mentioned above. In the meantime keep things as they are.</p>	Noted

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83	Yvonne Hart	Option One or Alternate Option	<p>I support Option 1 - retaining the number of elected members - a mayor and 8 councillors - two for each of 4 wards for the following reasons:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Submissions from the public have not been made to request a ward review – review of Council ward boundaries and Elected Members is not a priority for ratepayers. 2. There is no direct evidence available to either prove or disprove that fewer Elected Members would see more efficient and effective decision making. Voting ‘en bloc’ may be seen as efficient but does not show decisions are soundly based. 3. The Information and Discussion Paper provided by Town of Cottesloe suggests that with less elected members: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o It would be easier for Party politics to enter local government – evidence in Eastern States councils. o It would be easier for an interest group to dominate the council – previous example – SVGC. <p>Town of Cottesloe already has more projects than it can efficiently deal with. Review of ward boundaries and number of elected members should be deferred until such time the matter can be dealt with effectively. As Town of Cottesloe and Council already has too many projects either in progress or under consideration, review of ward boundaries should be listed as low priority.</p> <p>Suggestion: Option 4: Implement a Ward system with six elected members and an elected Mayor.</p>	Noted.
84	Denys Murphy	Option One	<p>SUBMISSION RE REVIEW OF COUNCIL WARD BOUNDARIES AND NUMBER OF ELECTED MEMBERS I fully support retaining the existing four ward system with eight elected members and a directly elected Mayor. The reasons for this are as follows: Different sectors of the community can be represented, ensuring a good spread of representation and interests amongst Elected Members. There is more opportunity for Elected Members to have knowledge and interest in the issues of their local ward. Without a ward system, Elected Members may feel overwhelmed by having to represent all electors, and may not have time or opportunity to understand and represent all the issues. Elected members may be more easily accessible to the electors of the ward they represent. In a no ward system, Electors may feel that they are not adequately represented if they do not have an affinity with any of the Elected Members. Elected Members living in a certain area have a greater affinity and understanding of the issues specific to that area. Without a ward system, there is potential for an interest group to dominate Council. It may be more difficult and costly for candidates to be elected if they need to canvass the entire local government. A smaller number of Elected Members may result in an increased workload and may lessen effectiveness. A more demanding role may discourage other from nominating for Council. A reduction in the number of Elected Members may limit the diversity of interests around the Council table. Opportunities for community participation in Council affairs may be reduced if there are fewer Elected Members for the community to contact.</p>	Noted
85	Candie Italiano	Option One	<p>SUBMISSION RE REVIEW OF COUNCIL WARD BOUNDARIES AND NUMBER OF ELECTED MEMBERS I fully support retaining the existing four ward system with eight elected members and a directly elected Mayor. The reasons for this are as follows: Different sectors of the community can be represented, ensuring a good spread of representation and interests amongst Elected Members. There is more opportunity for Elected Members to have knowledge and interest in the issues of their local ward. Without a ward system, Elected Members may feel overwhelmed by having to represent all electors, and may not have time or opportunity to understand and represent all the issues. Elected members may be more easily accessible to the electors of the ward they represent. In a no ward system, Electors may feel that they are not adequately represented if they do not have an affinity with any of the Elected Members. Elected Members living in a certain area have a greater affinity and understanding of the issues specific to that area. Without a ward system, there is potential for an interest group to dominate Council. It may be more difficult and costly for candidates to be elected if they need to canvass the entire local government. A smaller number of Elected Members may result in an increased workload and may lessen effectiveness. A more demanding role may discourage other from nominating for Council. A reduction in the number of Elected Members may limit the diversity of interests around the Council table. Opportunities for community participation in Council affairs may be reduced if there are fewer Elected Members for the community to contact.</p>	Noted
86	Robert Shand	Option One	<p>My preferred option is OPTION 1 - Maintain the current four ward system with eight elected members and a directly elected Mayor. (Maintain the current situation for the next five years until the next review is required)</p>	Noted
87	Nicholas Dillon	Option Two	<p>I submit the Council should adopt - OPTION 2 - Implement a no ward system with eight elected members and a directly elected Mayor</p>	Noted

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88	Lennart Westerlund	Alternate Option	My preferred option is Option 4	Option Four is not listed in the Information and Discussion Paper. As no further information has been provided, it is uncertain what is wanted.
89	Lyn Jenkins	Option One	My preferred option is Number 1. Maintain the status quo. 4 wards and 8 councillors, all elected. Allows for diversity of views on the council and keeps ward representation for dealing with ward-specific issues.	Noted
90	Shona Cairney	Option One	My preferred option is to maintain the current four ward system with eight elected numbers and a directly elected Mayor. I think this will best represent the interests of the residents until the next review.	Noted
91	Seth Eggleston	Option One	I am writing to voice my concerns re possible future boundary and representative changes. I am opposed to any change as i believe there will be diminishing of representatives of the whole of cottesloe as well as a greater risk of 'stacking' of council and thereby reduced independence. Please forward my concerns to the appropriate people.	Noted
92	Sophie Rodda	Option One	SUBMISSION RE REVIEW OF COUNCIL WARD BOUNDARIES AND NUMBER OF ELECTED MEMBERS I fully support retaining the existing four ward system with eight elected members and a directly elected Mayor. The reasons for this are as follows: Different sectors of the community can be represented, ensuring a good spread of representation and interests amongst Elected Members. There is more opportunity for Elected Members to have knowledge and interest in the issues of their local ward. Without a ward system, Elected Members may feel overwhelmed by having to represent all electors, and may not have time or opportunity to understand and represent all the issues. Elected members may be more easily accessible to the electors of the ward they represent. In a no ward system, Electors may feel that they are not adequately represented if they do not have an affinity with any of the Elected Members. Elected Members living in a certain area have a greater affinity and understanding of the issues specific to that area. Without a ward system, there is potential for an interest group to dominate Council. It may be more difficult and costly for candidates to be elected if they need to canvass the entire local government. A smaller number of Elected Members may result in an increased workload and may lessen effectiveness. A more demanding role may discourage other from nominating for Council. A reduction in the number of Elected Members may limit the diversity of interests around the Council table. Opportunities for community participation in Council affairs may be reduced if there are fewer Elected Members for the community to contact.	Noted
93	Kate Moore	Option One	My preferred option of those presented is Option One - retaining the number of elected members - a mayor and 8 councillors - two for each of 4 wards for the following reasons: 1. Submissions from the public have not been made to request a ward review. I do not believe that a review of Council ward boundaries and Elected Members is a priority for ratepayers. 2. I am aware of no evidence to either prove or disprove that a Council comprised of fewer Elected Members would result in more efficient and effective decision making. 3. The Information and Discussion Paper provided by Town of Cottesloe suggests that with less elected members: • It would be easier for Party politics to enter local government – evidence in Eastern States councils. • It would be easier for an interest group to dominate the council – previous example – SVGC, NCSLSC, Cottesloe Tennis Club It is my opinion that the Town of Cottesloe is presently undertaking more projects than it can efficiently manage. A review of ward boundaries and number of Elected Members should be deferred until such time that a majority of resident ratepayers consider it a higher priority than any of the other outstanding issues that the Town has yet to efficiently and transparently resolve.	Noted

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94	Charles and Margaret Murphy	Option One	SUBMISSION RE REVIEW OF COUNCIL WARD BOUNDARIES AND NUMBER OF ELECTED MEMBERS I fully support retaining the existing four ward system with eight elected members and a directly elected Mayor. The reasons for this are as follows: Different sectors of the community can be represented, ensuring a good spread of representation and interests amongst Elected Members. There is more opportunity for Elected Members to have knowledge and interest in the issues of their local ward. Without a ward system, Elected Members may feel overwhelmed by having to represent all electors, and may not have time or opportunity to understand and represent all the issues. Elected members may be more easily accessible to the electors of the ward they represent. In a no ward system, Electors may feel that they are not adequately represented if they do not have an affinity with any of the Elected Members. Elected Members living in a certain area have a greater affinity and understanding of the issues specific to that area. Without a ward system, there is potential for an interest group to dominate Council. It may be more difficult and costly for candidates to be elected if they need to canvass the entire local government. A smaller number of Elected Members may result in an increased workload and may lessen effectiveness. A more demanding role may discourage other from nominating for Council. A reduction in the number of Elected Members may limit the diversity of interests around the Council table. Opportunities for community participation in Council affairs may be reduced if there are fewer Elected Members for the community to contact.	Noted
95	Judy Loader	Option Three	As a resident/ratepayer of 28 William Street Cottesloe I would like to choose option 3: OPTION 3 - Implement a no ward system with six elected members and a directly elected Mayor.	Noted
96	Margaret and Berkeley Allen	Option One	We elect Option 1.	Noted
97	Gregory Reudavey, Janet Reudavey and Emily Reudavey	Option One	We support Option 1 - retaining the number of elected members - a mayor and 8 councillors - two for each of 4 wards for the following reasons: We feel each Ward needs to be represented. Less Councillors will not necessary be more effective than the current situation. More councillors should lead to better governance.	Noted
98	Thomas Loh	Option One	SUBMISSION RE REVIEW OF COUNCIL WARD BOUNDARIES AND NUMBER OF ELECTED MEMBERS I fully support retaining the existing four ward system with eight elected members and a directly elected Mayor. The reasons for this are as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Different sectors of the community can be represented, ensuring a good spread of representation and interests amongst Elected Members. • There is more opportunity for Elected Members to have knowledge and interest in the issues of their local ward. Without a ward system, Elected Members may feel overwhelmed by having to represent all electors, and may not have time or opportunity to understand and represent all the issues. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elected members may be more easily accessible to the electors of the ward they represent. • In a no ward system, Electors may feel that they are not adequately represented if they do not have an affinity with any of the Elected Members. • Elected Members living in a certain area have a greater affinity and understanding of the issues specific to that area. • Without a ward system, there is potential for an interest group to dominate Council. • It may be more difficult and costly for candidates to be elected if they need to canvass the entire local government. • A smaller number of Elected Members may result in an increased workload and may lessen effectiveness. A more demanding role may discourage other from nominating for Council. • A reduction in the number of Elected Members may limit the diversity of interests around the Council table. • Opportunities for community participation in Council affairs may be reduced if there are fewer Elected Members for the community to contact. 	Noted
99	Anne Harse	Option One	I prefer Option 1 so each ward is represented	Noted
100	John Sadleir	Option One	My preferred option is '1' because it allows for a greater diversity of councillor, both in personality and geographic representation, than the other options and maintains an independent Mayor	Noted

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101	Patricia Carmichael	Option One	At this point I support the current system - 4 Wards with 2 duly elected members per ward and a directly elected Mayor. Lessening the numbers of EM's will place an increased workload on the current EM's who, I would think, are struggling to cope with the numbers of projects in the pipeline at the moment. Rationale - Before further reduction of Councillors and changes to the Ward system are made my preference is to see projects, some of which have been awaiting startup for a period of years, finalised prior to changes of the existing system!	Noted
102	Rosalin Sadler	Option Two or Option Three	MY PREFERRED OPTION IS - OPTION 2. No wards, with 8 elected members, mayor directly elected. ps. MY SECOND PREFERENCE - IF OF ANY INTEREST : OPTION 3. No wards, 6 elected members, directly elected mayor. My thinking: I wonder if there is too much work involved for 6 elected members? Which is why I vote for 8 elected members which is OPTION 2. But it would be good to think the work load could be handled by 6 elected members - thus making some savings for rate payers. <u>So either option 2 or option 3 would be satisfactory to my way of thinking).</u>	Noted
103	Stephen Carre	Alternate Option	My preferred option is 4 because it reduces the number of councillors but ensures they represent their ward	Option Four is not listed in the Information and Discussion Paper. Alternate option preferred.
104	Heather Goodwin	Alternate Option	My preferred option is: OPTION 4 – Implement a ward system with six elected members and a directly elected Mayor. Cottesloe is a small area and should be divided into three wards with two members elected for each ward together with an elected Mayor. The Wards should be divided with an equal number of ratepayers in each Ward. At the moment the South Ward has the most number of ratepayers in it yet it gets the least amount of funding spent in this area. Most of the funding goes to projects in the Central Ward and this funding needs to be shared equally between 3 wards.	Option Four is not listed in the Information and Discussion Paper. Alternate option preferred.
105	Robert Morrison	Option Two	I would prefer to see Option 2 adopted – ie no wards, eight members and a directly-elected mayor. With a small council area it is reasonable to expect all councillors to be, or become familiar with, all of its parts, and make informed decisions with the whole town's interests in mind. Eight rather than six members gives scope for a broader range of skills and experience.	Noted
106	David Sneddon	Option One	SUBMISSION RE REVIEW OF COUNCIL WARD BOUNDARIES AND NUMBER OF ELECTED MEMBERS I fully support retaining the existing four ward system with eight elected members and a directly elected Mayor. The reasons for this are as follows: Different sectors of the community can be represented, ensuring a good spread of representation and interests amongst Elected Members. There is more opportunity for Elected Members to have knowledge and interest in the issues of their local ward. Without a ward system, Elected Members may feel overwhelmed by having to represent all electors, and may not have time or opportunity to understand and represent all the issues. Elected members may be more easily accessible to the electors of the ward they represent. In a no ward system, Electors may feel that they are not adequately represented if they do not have an affinity with any of the Elected Members. Elected Members living in a certain area have a greater affinity and understanding of the issues specific to that area. Without a ward system, there is potential for an interest group to dominate Council. It may be more difficult and costly for candidates to be elected if they need to canvass the entire local government. A smaller number of Elected Members may result in an increased workload and may lessen effectiveness. A more demanding role may discourage other from nominating for Council. A reduction in the number of Elected Members may limit the diversity of interests around the Council table. Opportunities for community participation in Council affairs may be reduced if there are fewer Elected Members for the community to contact.	Noted
107	Gay Arkley	Alternate Option	My preferred option would be Option 4.	Option Four is not listed in the Information and Discussion Paper. As no further information has been provided, it is uncertain what is wanted.
108	Sylvia Byers	Option Two	sends her vote for option 2 because it is considered that there is no need for wards.	Noted
109	Richard Paterson	Option One	I would vote for Option 1 - Maintain the current ward system with 8 elected members and a directly elected mayor. I see no advantage in changing from this system which has worked well for many years and which makes it easy to discuss any local or personal issues with a single councillor.	Noted
110	David Birkbeck	Option One	My preferred option is to maintain the current four ward system with eight elected members and a directly elected Mayor.	Noted

#	Name	Preferred Option	Comment	Officer Comment
111	Nancy Paterson	Option One	Please maintain the current system of Ward Representation- Option 1. Democracy in local government means an area having a representative who has a particular understanding and connection with a location and the ratepayers therein. Through the regular election, residents can expect their needs to be given due consideration, and re-elect a councillor whose actions reflect this. In my experience elsewhere the removal of the wards system can result in lack of real regard for the issues of residents, partly because the councillors are not required to have to face the electoral consequences of decision- making. Some seem to have little interest in significant issues of others. Ratepayers can feel disenfranchised and disengaged on seeing advancement of interests other than their own.	Noted
112	Mark Hector	Option One	SUBMISSION RE REVIEW OF COUNCIL WARD BOUNDARIES AND NUMBER OF ELECTED MEMBERS I fully support retaining the existing four ward system with eight elected members and a directly elected Mayor. The reasons for this are as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Different sectors of the community can be represented, ensuring a good spread of representation and interests amongst Elected Members. • There is more opportunity for Elected Members to have knowledge and interest in the issues of their local ward. Without a ward system, Elected Members may feel overwhelmed by having to represent all electors, and may not have time or opportunity to understand and represent all the issues. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elected members may be more easily accessible to the electors of the ward they represent. • In a no ward system, Electors may feel that they are not adequately represented if they do not have an affinity with any of the Elected Members. • Elected Members living in a certain area have a greater affinity and understanding of the issues specific to that area. • Without a ward system, there is potential for an interest group to dominate Council. • It may be more difficult and costly for candidates to be elected if they need to canvass the entire local government. • A smaller number of Elected Members may result in an increased workload and may lessen effectiveness. A more demanding role may discourage other from nominating for Council. • A reduction in the number of Elected Members may limit the diversity of interests around the Council table. • Opportunities for community participation in Council affairs may be reduced if there are fewer Elected Members for the community to contact. 	Noted.
113	Jennifer Gardiner	Option Two	OPTION 2 - Implement a no ward system with eight elected members and a directly elected Mayor. I believe this option provides for greater representation of ratepayers.	Received after deadline (5.02pm). Have been included in results.
114	Peter Hawken	Option Two	OPTION 2 - Implement a no ward system with eight elected members and a directly elected Mayor. I believe this option provides for greater representation of ratepayers.	Received after deadline (5.04pm). Have been included in results.
115	Keith Campbell	Option One	OPTION 1 - Maintain the current four ward system with eight elected members and a directly elected Mayor. (Maintain the current situation for the next five years until the next review is required)	Received after deadline (5.05pm). Have been included in results.
116	Cathy Campbell	Option Three	I support option 3 because I believe all local ratepayers should be able to vote for all elected members rather than those just in their ward. Also I believe Cottesloe has too many Councillors and that six councillors and the mayor is adequate.	Received after deadline (5.06pm). Have been included in results.