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To: Representation Commission
NZ Electoral Commission

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Subject: Electoral Boundary Changes

I am making this submission on behalf of the Cornwall Park Trust Board.

Cornwall Park does not wish to present this submission to the Representation Committee in person.

This submission relates to a proposed boundary change. The proposed electorate of this submission relates to the Maungakiekie electorate.

Cornwall Park Trust wishes to support the proposed changes to the boundary of the Maungakiekie electorate for the following reasons.

Maungakiekie is the Maori name for One Tree Hill, which is the maunga at the heart of the Maungakiekie electorate.

It is appropriate that all surrounding suburbs at the base of the maunga and Cornwall Park are in one electorate. These suburbs include One Tree Hill, Royal Oak and Epsom South. They represent one large community of interest that use the park for leisure and enjoy the local activities hosted in the park.

The whole area of Onehunga and Royal Oak has a strong affinity for and around One Tree Hill. As such the area should remain in a single cohesive unit.

The Cornwall Park Trust owns a number of properties along Campbell Road, which is a road that is currently split between the Mt Roskill and Maungakiekie electorates. Campbell Road should be brought back into the Maungakiekie electorate, so a traditional One Tree Hill community does not remain divided.

Cornwall Park Trust seeks that the proposed boundary changes to the Maungakiekie electorate be confirmed.

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