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Online Submission: Waterford Boundary Review (Mrs. Agnes Brick)

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Area in which you reside. Specific addresses are not needed. Kilmacow

Question 1 How might alteration of the boundary help or hinder the retention or creation of employment and the general economic performance of the area? extending the boundary will not help the creation of employment in the area, nor will it enhance the general economic performance of the area. The city is struggling economically as it is . There are areas for development still in the city. It does not need further draws on it' resources.

Question 2 How might the alteration of the boundary help or hinder the identity or cohesion of local communities in the area? WHY is it needed? Extending the boundary will destroy the sense of identity among the community of south kilkenny, The local area is supported by the community through it's clubs and societies who are firmly rooted in their county allegiance. This sense of identity and it's importance in people's personal lives informs decisions made on a daily basis by people.

Question 3 How might alteration of the boundary help or hinder delivery of services by local government to ensure that the needs of the local community are met now and in the future? There has always been a strong development team in Kilmacow which has always puts the needs of Kilmacow at it's core. They work tirelessly in conjunction with the local clubs to ensure the needs of the local community are met. Extending the boundary could destroy the good will and co-operation already in place to the detriment of the local community.

Question 4 How might alteration of the administrative boundary help or hinder the need to maximise efficiency and value for money in local government? Again, WHY is this needed? Will it improve anything? Kilmacow is a rural community, it is not commercial so I cannot see how alterations to the administrative boundary would help maximise efficiency and value for money for either Waterford City or Kilmacow.

Question 5 How might alteration of the boundary help or hinder the Planning and Development needs, as administered by the local authority, of the community? I imagine that moving the boundary would mean planning laws would be changed, areas would be rezoned and the essence of the rural community would be changed forever. The sense of identity of the area would be gone. As already noted there are many areas in within the city environs that could be rezoned /redeveloped without moving into another county.

Question 6 How might alteration of the boundary help or hinder the delivery of effective and accountable democratic representation? I don't know. Would it really make a difference? I

Question 7 What strengths or weaknesses do you see in current local authority administrative boundary arrangements in the area? Local people have a sense of identity and pride of place, as have Waterford people in their own city. There is a great camaraderie between the inhabitants of both counties in relation to "crossing the bridge". The city would be divided and I imagine there would always be a case made for 'them V us' in relation to city council funding, projects etc.

Is there anything else you wish to add ?

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