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Re ; Connamara Local Electoral Area, Galway South Mayo Constituency.

The 2 furthest points that you can drive a car is from, is Gannoughs, near Cladaghduff, to Furnish, Lettermullen, which is a distance of 91 kilometers and the travel time is 1hour and 35 mins.

It is a shorter distance from Gannoughs, Claddaghduff to Barna Golf Club.

Lettermullen is closer to Bushypark than Gannoughs, Claddaghduff

Then you look at Oileain Árainn, further South again, much further away from the Claddaghduff/Clifden area.

The most glaring observation from this is, that the number 1 priority and above all other Considerations, is that the Lettermullen/Oileáin Arainn LE area, have to be in a different LE area, to the Claddaghduff/Clifden, LE area.

I have attached 3 maps which outline the different possible scenarios. I have drawn the suggested boundaries on the maps and I make some notes on the maps in relation to areas included in LE areas.

I think including the maps clarifies the situation, in the Connamara Area better. It is a varied area, densely populated in the East of The area and sparsely populated in the North West of the area.,

Map 1a outlines which I think satisfies the criteria you are looking for.

There would be 2 local electoral area areas.

There would be 3 seats in the North Connamara LE area and 6 seats in the rest of the Connamara LE area. North Connamara is a big area, with not much population. In my calculations, with the Electoral Census that I had, show that, Camus, Tir na Cille, and Corr na Mona, would be included in This area.

LE area to make up the 3 seats,

Map 2 outlines, what a 4 seat and 5 seat area would look like. Which I think would not work in the Connamara Electoral Area, as it is at present.

Map 3, outlines a scenario, where you have, 3 x 3 seats.

I think is by far the best scenario, particularly, as it is a certainty, in my opinion, that the North Connemara LE area will be a 3 seat area.

Even though it is the best scenario, it may not satisfy the criteria you are looking for.

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Comhalta Bord Udaras na Gaeltachta

MAP 1

Google Maps



Map

Carranmore

The Ailsa Gile

Auns

6 Seats

Map data ©2018 Google 5 km

3 Seats

Lettenstullen



Oilean AKAINN

MAP 2



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add to 3 Sealer Area

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- Callisvananuch
- Kill Ann



DUGH ISLAND
KILL ANN
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Map 3



Oilettin AKAINN