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To whom it may concern,

I would be most grateful if your committee can consider the following submission in relation to Local Electoral Area Boundaries?

Area in question: Ballycumber/The Island in the Municipal District of Tullamore – Offaly County Council

This area is now covered by Tullamore MD. If it were to be reverted back to the Ferbane area – now Birr MD I believe this would have a negative effect on the area as Birr is circa 35kms from Ballycumber with Tullamore only circa 16. (nearest town is Ferbane circa 12km with Clara only circa 5km) with both Ferbane and Clara hosting their nearest elected member. The village of Ballycumber and their respective committees/groups have spoken to me and are fearful that they could lose out on representation if it were to be moved from Tullamore MD and I believe this to be true.

I would be most grateful if you can examine this submission on its merits and would highly recommend that Ballycumber/The Island be left in the MD of Tullamore for any forthcoming elections.

Thanking you for taking the time in considering this submission

Kind Regards,

Cllr. Frank Moran