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Kia ora,

This is a quick email to register my objection to the addition of a second councillor to the South Canterbury ward. I understand that this is a tricky issue, because no solution is going to be exactly fair and even for each ward, but this really skews the power to the rural seats, with the new balance meaning that Christchurch residents' votes are only worth around 80% of votes of other Cantabrians.

I understand that under the first scenario, where South Canterbury only had one councillor, that particular ward was under-represented, but I think the overview across the region is more important. Under the original scenario of one councillor for South Canterbury, the votes of Christchurch constituents and those of wider Canterbury were almost exactly equal, with Christchurch votes being worth 2% more than those of wider Canterbury.

The current proposal is far less fair than the first, with a 20% under-representation of Christchurch residents and I urge Ecan to return to the original proposal, with one Councillor to represent South Canterbury.

Kind regards,  
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