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Local Government Representation Review Committee

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Dear LGRR Committee,

RE: 2026 Local Government Representation Review Submission

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission into the 2026 Local Government Representation Review. Please see below for my views on several aspects of the review.

Marrakai-Douglas Unincorporated Areas

Based on my consultation and ongoing engagement with residents across Marrakai and the surrounding areas, I do not believe there is community support or any clear benefit in incorporating these areas into an existing local government area.

Marrakai and the surrounding localities have distinct circumstances and community needs, and I do not believe residents would benefit from being incorporated into an existing council. Accordingly, I strongly support these areas remaining unincorporated.

Greater Holtze and planned transition

It is my view that the suburbs of Holtze, Asche and Kowandi should remain entirely within the Litchfield Council Local Government Area.

The development of these areas is already progressing in conjunction with Litchfield Council, including the planning for future delivery of services. Lots are being purchased and developed on the understanding that these areas form part of Litchfield Council.

For these reasons, I do not support any change that would extend the City of Palmerston's boundaries into areas currently within Litchfield Council.

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Middle Arm and surrounding areas

The Middle Arm precinct is an important part of the long-term sustainability of Litchfield Council and represents a significant component of its future rates base.

Litchfield Council has appropriately rated land within this area, and I do not believe there is a compelling reason to alter the existing local government arrangements.

Accordingly, I support Middle Arm and the surrounding areas remaining within the Litchfield Council local government area, with no boundary changes recommended as part of this review.

Thank you again for the opportunity to contribute to the review. If you require any further information or clarification regarding my submission, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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