

Hello DPAC

I would like to say that I am broadly in support of a number of the proposed reforms. Especially those that empower normal people, encourage community engagement and civics, and lower or remove the financial requirements to partake in our democracy.

However, I would also like to express that while the reforms for "One Person, One Vote" are exceptional and well overdue (it's great that the reform removes the plutocratic potential of "two votes"), it should go further...

Namely, that only natural persons (citizen and non-citizen) who own or rent their primary place of residence in their respective LGA, should be allowed to vote in said LGA matters.

That is, removing entirely any corporate or business interests.

So nominees of corporations (even if employees of them) should not get a vote at all, even if said business operates in the LGA or land/property is owned there.

This I believe is important because, while the current proposed reforms go a long way to reducing electoral loopholes, I have little faith that when money is on the line oligarchic distortions won't start happening.

That being said, the fact there are more natural people's does boost my confidence that, even if not as far as I believe it should go, said reform will be more fair and just than what we have now.

One person. One vote. All power to all peoples.

Best regards

Sam.