

-- RE: Dublin Bay North – Beaumont B and F

Dear Secretary, I am contacting you in relation to the current situation of Beaumont within the Dail Eireann constituency boundaries. As you may or may not know Beaumont was traditionally the majority of Dublin North Central. However, some years ago, Beaumont A was split into Dublin North West while the remaining two Beaumont constituencies that are actually Beaumont (as distinct from Donnycarney or Artane) – namely Beaumont B and Beaumont F – were placed in Dublin North Central.

With the amalgamation of Dublin North Central into the much larger area of Dublin Bay North, it is now a timely opportunity – in the context of reviewing Dublin North West as a potential 4 seat constituency – to reunite Beaumont in one constituency, that of Dublin North West. In terms of representation, it makes more sense, as Beaumont is shared among three electoral divisions which are currently divided. Similarly, it achieves the necessary objective of reducing the overall size of Dublin Bay North slightly. In the recent elections, a great many residents of Beaumont felt as though candidates from as far away as Howth were simply not engaging with them. I believe that reuniting Beaumont would address that imbalance. With kind regards, Patricia Doyle