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Submission: I am opposed to Bankstown Council's proposed boundary change.

The reasons for oppositions are as follows:

Lack of community consultation and consideration by Bankstown Council, I am satisfied with Strathfield Council's management of the area and object to having my property and services transferred to Bankstown Council, I identify with the Strathfield community, not the Bankstown community, I am concerned this takeover would result in my area becoming part of a large council and my access to councillor representation would decline, I am concerned this takeover would result in increased rates because land values in the Strathfield Council area are considerably higher than Bankstown Council. This may also affect property values, I am concerned this takeover would result in a loss or decline in services and the management of assets and infrastructure, I note that Bankstown Council has revenue shortfalls and are proposing significant rate increases to pay for revenue shortfalls, debts and asset backlogs, I am concerned for the loss of community facilities, parks and open spaces and declines in standards or service and infrastructure management if taken over by Bankstown Council