



DRAFT - District 112 Realignment Report for 2021/2022

17 April 2021

Submitted by District Alignment Committee

Chaired by Neil Stichbury, Immediate Past District Director

Scope

This committee is convened to assess and put forward a proposed realignment of Divisions and Areas in District 112.

The proposed Divisions and Areas will be aligned in accordance with Toastmasters International requirements.

The committee convenes as of 1 November 2020 and will disband on 30 June 2021.

This is a draft realignment report, these changes will be discussed with each affected club, prior to being voted on.

Committee Membership

- Immediate Past District Director Neil Stichbury (Chair)
- District Director Sharon Kerr-Phillips
- Division K Director Murray Coutts
- Division L Director Aroha Heene
- Division M Director Devi Subramaniam
- Division N Director Dean Ching Yee
- Division O Director Barry Shaw
- Division P Director Isabel Carter
- Division Q Director Dave Henderson
- Division R Director Clifford Kerr-Phillips

Procedure

Each Division was invited to have independent discussions with the report being drafted based on Division feedback & recommendations. It is unfortunate that the impact of COVID-19 has meant the closure of a number of clubs and some proposed club movements are the direct result of these closures. This draft District 112 Realignment Report is to be published on the District 112 website on 18 April and with updates will remain available until the May Council meeting. The proposals are being presented to the Virtual District Executive Meeting on Friday 30 April, and subsequently to the Virtual District Council on Saturday 1 May, where it will be presented and voted on to be enacted as of 1 July 2021, as per Toastmasters International guidelines.

Divisions **P & R**, there are no proposed changes.

Division K

Rationale – Make room for new club growth in the Albany area of which there are potentially three clubs at the moment, and assist club numbers in (L4).

Move Review Toastmasters (K3) to (L4).

Move Dairy Flat Toastmasters (K3) to (K4).

Review Toastmasters meets at various locations so has no geographic alignment requirements. Members tend to be Auckland North Shore based.

Bolster clubs in (K4) with the addition of Dairy Flat Toastmasters. This club is geographically closer to (K4) clubs.

Division L

Rationale – (L4) appears likely to lose a few clubs.

(L4) receives Review Toastmasters from (K3).

Belmont Club moves from (L3) to (L4).

Division M

Rationale – Related to geography of the clubs. To evenly distribute the number of clubs in each area in Division M and to strengthen the overall health of the Areas.

Move Ponsonby Toastmasters (M1) to (M5).

Move 2degrees Toastmasters (M2) to (M4).

This will provide a geographic balance of clubs in Division M.

Division N

Rationale – Mainly related to geography of the clubs, making room for growth in this Division, however also a requirement to bolster Areas where clubs are threatened with closure.

Move Waiheke Island club from (N1) to (N4).

Move Kings Speech club from (N2) to (N3).

There are potentially new clubs in this Division in the coming year.

If, by the end of this Toastmasters year there are (N4) clubs where membership is low and therefore threatened with closure, and there have been no club(s) chartered into (N4) then an additional club will need to be added to (N4). This club may need to come from Division M. Ernst & Young (M5) is a likely candidate.

Division O

Rationale – Mainly related to geography of the clubs, however the proposed Sylvia Park move will assist in reducing the (O2) Area Director workload.

Move Magnetism Toastmasters from (O4) to (O2).

Move Sylvia Park club from (O2) to (O3).

Sylvia Park club physically moved its meeting location from adjacency to Sylvia Park to the Panmure area. Geographically it is now more aligned with Auckland Eastern clubs.

Division Q

In the last Toastmasters year, City Early Start had advised they would not be continuing. As the club did not submit their dissolution documents, Area Q4 was unable to be closed. The club has finally agreed to submit dissolution documents and Area Q4 may now be removed.

At this time there is one club in (Q5), a four club Area, that is not in good standing. The Division leadership expects this club to be in good standing on 1 July.
