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Your Submission to the TPC Review: To the Tasmanian Planning Commission Review Panel

I believe that the functions of the Tasmanian Planning Commission (TPC) must be maintained and strengthened in order to achieve sustainable development of our resources in Tasmania. The TPC is at the heart of the democratic process of resource use and must be funded to continue to provide outcomes independent of Ministerial influence.

I have personally been involved with the TPC in issues affecting me directly and the fact that I could write and speak directly of my concerns to experts in relation to planning law and actually be heard was difficult but positive and is at the heart of democracy and sustainable land use. Ordinary citizens must be able to be involved directly and also learn about their land use system. The Tasmanian Planning Commission facilitates this and must be maintained in order to achieve the RMPS objectives listed here below, the key being community involvement. You cannot maintain these objectives unless the TPC is fully resourced to facilitate them. This process cannot be streamlined through the minister of the day or their departments.

The Tasmanian Resource Management and Planning System (RMPS) is an integrated system which must 'seek to further the objectives of Schedule One which are:

- (1)to promote the sustainable development of natural and physical resources and the maintenance of ecological processes and genetic diversity
- (2)to provide for the fair, orderly and sustainable use and development of air, land and water
- (3)to encourage public involvement in resource management and planning
- (4)to facilitate economic development in accordance with the objectives set out in the above paragraphs
- (5)to promote the sharing of responsibility for resource management and planning between the different spheres of government, the community and industry in the State

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