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Your Submission to the TPC Review: Any change to the Tasmanian Planning Commission (apart from strengthening its independent role) must – WILL – weaken forever the community's right to participate in a process which should be in the interests of us ALL. The changes envisaged will NOT be in the interests of us all! At a time when the competing interests over land use are becoming more and more wealth-driven at the expense of all other uses, it is imperative that we maintain a review process – best served by a system such as the TPC – whose assessments are robust and long-term in their scope.

A Minister-determining model will displace what has been hitherto an independent-assessment model (despite some of its historical weaknesses). The changes proposed are NOT in the interests of democratic, intelligent, decision making but rather, will entrench what I believe will be - if not a corrupt model, then a model which is in the interests of a few at the expense of the rest of the community.

The move to replace the TPC with a Minister-centered regime is nothing short of a form of corruption.

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