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### 2.3. Environmental:

- a) To effectively manage the natural values of the area, including the foreshore, waterways, vegetation and wildlife habitat,
- b) To effectively guide residential, commercial and industrial expansion in tandem with protection of environmental integrity in the area,
- c) To provide for recreational opportunities which pose limited or no impact on natural values, and
- d) To recognise the factors that impact upon vegetation and wildlife habitat.

The above ideas provide much discussion and require investigation.

As a longtime resident of Hawley beach I have observed a concerning lack of respect and provision for the outstanding natural features that the area has to offer. When I first decided to return to Tasmania and take up residence in the Port Sorell, Shearwater, Hawley Beach precincts it was because of the amazing natural landscape and seemingly appreciation of a quiet and beautiful environment.

It is understood that there will always be growth however such a sensitive ecosystem would always require careful planning and a balance between development and nature. It is apparent that development has surpassed any balance with the natural environment. There was a promise when Chardonnay drive was proposed that the corner blocks would remain as nature reserves, habitat corridors !! When observing the numerous residential developments that have been approved there is no evidence of sound environmental planning. On some of the diagrams attached on the draft there are indications for green spaces however little evidence of them. The land adjacent to the big supermarket is pictured as a reserve with parklands and waterways. There is a natural wetlands on that land however it appears, from the billboards erected there, that it is proposed for commercial use ??

It is essential that every new residential planning approval includes green spaces. The recent floods have indicated the importance trees play in preserving the landscape from disaster. The well being of the residents is also addressed with trees providing shade, play areas, sitting areas and simply beauty. Well being is far more important than profit. The planting in the turning circle at the end of Blue Water Crescent, financed through Landcare grants not council, and the reserve on the turning circle off Quinlan Crescent are great examples of effective planning of green spaces. None of this planning is apparent in the recent residential developments.

A thinking council would ensure that their municipality is world class and addresses the current global environmental concerns in sensitive ways. We need planning which focuses on preserving the foreshore from erosion, keeping the waterways clean, and creating healthy animal habitats. It is important that we plan so there is housing affordable for all and create environments that attract visitors who recognize our community as one that takes climate change seriously.

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