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Subject: Re Draft Amendment PSA-2/2017
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Dear Mr Reale

Please find the attached Submission regarding the Draft Amendment PSA-2/2017 for consideration by Council.

kind regards

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Dear Mr Reale

Re Draft Amendment PSA-2/2017

We write to you in our personal capacity as two Cygnet residents, Mr Mitchell Ward and Dr Melissa Sweet. Additionally, MS works as a public health journalist with a professional interest in the social and environmental determinants of health, including the impact of town planning decisions upon community health and wellbeing.

We were alerted to this planned development by an article in the *Sunday Tasmanian* on 15 November 2020, "Town in flap over land plan". We had not previously been aware of this development. Since then we have spoken with neighbours and other locals who share many of the concerns raised by the article.

We write to urge the Council to delay any decision and hold public consultations with the Cygnet community to answer questions about the impacts of the planned development upon existing infrastructure, environment, health and amenity. We understand the need to provide affordable housing and also the potential for benefiting local business and employment. However, this should be done in a way that minimises environment impact, ensures net carbon impact of any development, and results in enhanced public infrastructure – eg walkways, cycle ways, community gardens and parks and other amenities that are vital for health and wellbeing.

This is a significant development with long-lasting implications for this community and its future, with the potential to undermine the unique charms and environment of Cygnet and its attraction to tourists and others.

We urge that a rigorous health impact assessment be undertaken of the project, including an examination of the impact of the increased traffic upon Cygnet and also Huonville. We also urge that the Council undertake a series of community meetings, to provide an opportunity for community members to have their questions and concerns addressed, including whether public transport and other public services will be expanded to cope with the increased demand.

We would appreciate if you could acknowledge receipt of this letter by return email and please do not hesitate to ring if you would like to discuss further: 0411 459 274.

Kind regards



Dr Melissa Sweet, Mr Mitchell Ward

