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Sent: Monday, 4 May 2026 10:09 PM
To: Kingborough LPS
Subject: Rejecting Landscape Conservation Zoning

To whom it may concern,

I wish to make it known from the outset my utter disgust that the current government considers it has the right to change the zoning of a productive land holding with the potential to support rural industry and local families to a zoning that assumes the locking up of valuable land assets for conservation purposes. And all of this done in a haphazard behind closed doors, rush through before anybody realises what they are doing kind of endeavour. It reeks of some [REDACTED] agenda that seems to me to have nothing beneficial to offer rural communities, and appears to be a direct attempt [REDACTED] to stop rural families developing their own industries and building their own homes, and raising their children on land they can afford. This zoning has not been voted in, the last zone changing from rural A for agriculture and rural B for forestry to Environmental Living Zone was also decided and implemented [REDACTED] without community consultation or input.

I find it ludicrous that any government voted in by a trusting democracy thinks it now has the right to dictate what the general population can or cannot do on their own parcel of land even to the point of, if and where, they build their house, even down to the colour of the tin on their roof.

This new Landscape for Conservation zoning will drastically reduce the allowable possibility for agriculture or industry, and future development for housing etc on any bush block. Which, in turn, drastically reduces the value of the land.

Traditionally the bush block was always cheaper than a town block because of the cost and perseverance associated with developing said block. Therefore making it more easily accessible for those less financial among us to own their own patch of dirt. Which then they developed as time money motivation and resources became available. According to my understanding Landscape for Conservation does not allow for this.

When I first came to Tasmania some 33 years ago I had only a tent and a back pack. Since that time I have married and my wife and I have been blessed with 11 children. We have purchased a bush block in the huon municipality not far, as the crow flies, from the contested block in Slab road. By God's own grace, and with a large amount of blood, sweat, tears, motivation and investments in both time and money, we have carved out of the bush, a modest home to raise our family in, and have developed a number of industries in our community to keep our children gainfully employed and also living in our community.

We have purchased the block up [REDACTED] as a future investment for our family. For my children and my children's children. That they also will have the opportunity to develop their own farm or industry to raise their own families and build their own houses. That is what rural land is for. To develop communities who look after one another in a bush setting. IT IS NOT my purpose or initiative to lock up my land to try to protect some owl or parrot species that has probably come to the end of its evolutionary cycle anyway.

And so I, Michael Francis Kelly, do renounce and reject the idea of my 50 acre block at [REDACTED] in Middleton, title ID [REDACTED] being locked up into Landscape for Conservation Zone and propose that the land in question should be zoned rural as in the block next door to it. I find it offensive that I am forced to contest such a ludicrous

suggestion by my local government. Land is for the people who choose to live on it, not for some current political party to push their trending agenda. Let's have a return to a bit of common sense...please!!!

Yours faithfully

Mick Kelly