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**Subject:** Planning Changes - Draft Local Provisions Schedule of Tasmanian Planning Scheme

Attention: Mr Jason Browne  
General Manager  
Huon Valley Council

Your ref: 3318890

Dear Sir,

We received your letter dated 3 May 2022 informing us of the change of planning zone to our property from 'rural living' to 'landscape conservation' (title reference: 121159/1).

We feel betrayed and angry that you have given us such short notice and that you deem it justifiable to make such a decision without due consultation with the owners. We collect our mail from Southport Store and therefore did not even receive your notice until a few days ago which has given us little time to process or consider our options.

We hereby would like to inform you that we reject your draft proposal and express to you that we do not consent to the decision you have made about our property without even discussing it with us.

We pay our rates regularly. Last Summer you failed to service our road. We feel that our rates are buying us less and less services. And now you are planning to devalue our property and restrict our use of it while failing to even offer any compensation or cut in rates.

We are disgusted by your poor service.

We purchased the property - which (from memory) was zoned 'rural residential' - in 2000 in good faith that we would be able to sustainably harvest our own firewood and use the land's natural materials. What reimbursement are you offering for firewood, loss of real estate value and use of natural materials for us to consider as freehold owners? If you make an offer to offset our losses we may consider this change of planning from 'rural living' to 'landscape conservation'.

We understand and deeply appreciate the environmental value of our land. We have not exploited it and we have maintained its natural value for the 21 years we have owned it. We also preserved the environmental value of 635 Lady Bay Road by creating a covenant on it and selling it at a reduced price. We feel offended that you dare to impose a limit on our use of our land that we care so deeply for when state forest land is being clear-felled. We feel angry that

you would impose your zoning changes in such an inconsiderate and flippant authoritarian manner. This is a gross overreach of power against freehold landowners.

Regards,  
Braiden Muir and Robyn Martin-Simpson