

The Hon. Tanya Davies
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28 October 2020

Dear Tanya,

RE: DRAFT CUMBERLAND PLAIN CONSERVATION PLAN

Firstly, thank you for arranging the Orchard Hills Residents' Community Meeting held on 19 October 2020 on the Draft Cumberland Plain Conservation Plan. It gave me the opportunity to listen to the representatives of the Department of Planning, who provided us with additional information, to further understand the impact that this proposal will have.

Considering the information provided and the discussions that took place, I still have serious concerns about aspects of the proposed biodiversity conservation zoning as detailed in the Draft Cumberland Plain Plan. They are:

1. The planning department representatives stated on the night that an E2 zoning was just one way to achieve the conservation outcomes and that there are other ways. Therefore, the proposed E2 zoning should be immediately removed and the other options mentioned be investigated.
2. The department representatives asked residents to provide accurate feedback on 160 different species of plants, trees, animals and grasses as part of submissions. I am not an expert botanist or Environmental Scientist. How am I expected to do this?

I believe that this request is totally unfair to residents and myself, given that it is the Department who is responsible for undertaking these studies.

3. The department representatives promised to provide you with an enlarged map of the Draft CPCP to share with residents in order to provide feedback. To date, I have not received any correspondence to allow me to review and make comment on its content. This means that the extended closing date of 2 November 2020 should be further extended to allow myself and other residents, time to review.
4. The department representatives promised to provide information listing the 160 species that the Plan is designed to identify and protect, so that we can review to provide feedback. Again, I have not received any correspondence to date to allow me to review and make comment on its content. Therefore, the extended closing date of 2 November 2020 should be further extended to allow myself and other, residents' time to review.

Until such time that all the promised information requested is made available to myself and the other residents of Orchard Hills, I request that the Draft Cumberland Plain Plan be withdrawn immediately and a fair and equitable process, including significant consultation with the residents of Orchard Hills, is implemented to establish a suitable plan that is supported by all stakeholders affected.

Yours Faithfully,



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