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The Mayor

Yass Valley Council

Dear Mayor Abbey,

Council representative at a Landowner Meeting

Landowners in the 5km buffer zone along the NSW ACT Border request that you send a Council representative to a meeting of landowners at 4pm on Sunday 24th February 2019 at Sutton Village hall to address the question:

What is Yass Valley Council doing to support the best interests of the ratepayers in the 5km zone along the ACT NSW border?

The Department of Planning and Environment's letter dated September 2018 to the Yass Valley Council correctly stated that the landowners affected by the 20-year development freeze are upset about the uncertainty created by a 20-year freeze on development in the 5km zone along the border while at the same time exempting the Ginninderry/Parkwood development.

We are confident that you will agree that it is time for Council to "come clean" and state what development is planned for the 5km zone along the border and when that development will take place.

This will be an opportunity for Council to demonstrate its willingness, or otherwise, to engage in direct community consultation that has not occurred so far on this very important issue.

The meeting that has been sent to all landowners is attached. As you can see representatives from the Department of Planning and Environment and the ACT Government have also been invited to engage in community consultation as well.

I hope you will see the value to you by sending an appropriately qualified and authorized person to the meeting to answer the question given above and other answer questions from the Landowners.

Yours sincerely,

William Ginn

Secretary

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Landowner Meeting

4pm Sunday 24th February

Sutton Village hall

Agenda

4:00 pm	Welcome by Ross di Bartolo, "5km ACT NSW Border Planning Group"
4.15 pm	Yass Valley Council, "What is Yass Valley Council doing to support the best interests of the ratepayers in the 5km zone along the ACT NSW border?"
4:30 pm	Questions to Council
4:45 pm	NSW Department of Planning and Environment, "When and how is the NSW Government going to implement the South East and Tablelands Regional Plan for the 5km zone along the ACT NSW border and is the land use going to be urban?"
5:00 pm	Questions to the Department of Planning and Environment
5:15 pm	ACT Government Chief Minister's office, "How does the ACT Government's vision overlap the South East and Tablelands Regional Plan for the 5km zone along the ACT NSW border?"
5:30 pm	Questions to the ACT Government
5:45 pm	Professor Jon Stanhope, Former ACT Chief Minister, "What are the political and legal constraints on moving the ACT NSW border 5km north into Yass Valley?"
6:00 pm	Questions to Professor Stanhope
6:15 pm	Professor Khalid Ahmed, Canberra University, "What determines the best use of land in a peri urban zone such as along the ACT NSW border?"
6:30 pm	Questions to Professor Ahmed
6:45 pm	Bill Ginn, 5km ACT NSW Border Planning Group "What does the future hold for our land and what are our options?"
7:00 pm	Open discussion and drinks

