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Submission- Macedon Ranges Localised Planning Statement

Attn: Fiona DePreu

I write to express my strong concerns in relation to the Localised Planning Statement which is not protecting our beautiful Macedon Ranges.

If you ever have a chance to ask someone who lives or visits the Macedon Ranges why they do- the first response will be because of its landscapes, towns and rural feel.

If you allow the urban growth to proceed that you have flagged, then this is not protecting our Shire- a promise that I believe your Government made- with Planning Policy No 8.

The Government needs to listen to the advice of the Macedon Ranges Protection Advisory Committee and preserve this area from this urban sprawl.

The statement provides no protection for our towns and is limiting what it considers to be worthy of significance- only targeting biodiversity, landscapes and heritage of State and National significance.

We have a national treasure here worth preserving. The beauty of our flora and fauna will be under threat if this LPS- that is not designed for our area is forced upon us.

I urge the Government to scrap this broad stroke approach for the future of our Shire and look at stronger protection controls.

Yours truly

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