

Subject:

FW: Future of LG Review - submissions

Good Afternoon,

Please see below for Mayor Kerry Vincent's personal submission re the Future of Local Government Review.

"I agree in principle with the overall review to date. I am supportive of the discussions taking place, but I feel this needs to be broadened. The discussions I believe, haven't yet reached deep enough into our communities. I fully support a transparent and broad discussion on all areas.

I believe any consolidation of Councils must be done as an entirely new identity, not one Council absorbing another. This will remove any prejudice and the stigma of one taking over another. My past experiences have shown that many people get hung up on this point. Furthermore, it will allow newly elected members and community leaders to have a fresh start. Whilst it may be a little more expensive up front, I believe it would improve the chance of a successful consolidated outcome.

I would like to see a definition and explanation, for clarity's sake, of what 'health and wellbeing' entails. What it is, and what it isn't. We experience many different versions of what is Council's responsibility when it comes to health and wellbeing. Health and wellbeing is a very broad term and we need clear boundaries and explanations to more accurately reflect the capability and responsibility of Councils in this area."

Kind regards,
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