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Ms Sue Smith  
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Dear Ms Smith

**Re: Future of Local Government Review Stage 1 Interim Report**

The West Tamar Council thanks the Local Government Review Board for its work to date with the Future of Local Government Review project. We strongly support the need to identify the future roles and functions of local government that will enable the best outcomes for our community as a major output of the review process.

In reviewing the Future of Local Government Review Stage 1 Interim Report it is noted that any detailed discussion on amalgamation and boundary adjustments has been deliberately avoided. West Tamar Council is very supportive of the Board taking this stance.

West Tamar Council is strongly opposed to any discussion of amalgamations or boundary adjustments without more widespread consultation and up to date data gathering. Until a comprehensive report based on a detailed investigation is available, this is not a matter that can be properly discussed or considered as part of this review.

It is our expectation that any report about the subject of amalgamations or boundary adjustments should outline all the potential impacts for all stakeholders and any recommendations, whether or not based on a preferred academic or economic viewpoint, must have the support of the majority of the community.

We thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely



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Mayor



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