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Hi

I am unable to attend meetings, but would like to voice an idea I have.

I feel LG in Tasmania needs review. As I have connection with the North West Coast and Central Coast in particular, my ideas are contained within that area.

The Cradle Coast Authority is the ideal organisation to manage all administrative areas of 9 Councils in North West. Therefore, I feel the Government has to mandate the Cradle Coast Authority as a Regional Body. At the moment, Burnie and Devonport Councils hold this organisation to ransom by threatening to withdraw, resulting in an unworkable situation. Once this is in place, community members will see the advantage of working together, leading to further sharing.

I believe one Council on the Coast is the ultimate answer, as our population is approx. 100k, so it is advisable to 'bite the bullet' now and move the North West Coast into the future – this is called 'VISION'.

On the other hand, I believe that each current municipality retains its sense of local. I am sure there are examples of this, and I encourage this reform look at these examples.

Many thanks for taking the time to read and consider this.

Kind regards  
Kath Downie