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Hi
The below advice is from my DDG , Erin Brady. We also attached the recent QON signed which is related. We do not have any further information to provide.

With respect to the particular question below :

- It was a male and I don't recall his name (it was a forum of approx. 30+ people).
- He identified himself as being a trader/employee in the Philip trade area of Woden

Please let me know if you need to discuss.

Thank you

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Sent: Wednesday, December 20, 2023 1:16 PM
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Subject: PTCS Committee: EPSDD evidence at Territory Plan public hearing - 7 December 2023

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Dear Minister Steel,

I write on behalf of the Standing Committee on Planning, Transport and City Services, regarding evidence given by Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate officials at a hearing held on 7 December 2023 for the Committee's Inquiry into the Territory Plan and associated documents.

Following that evidence, a member of the public has raised concerns regarding some of the evidence given. Specifically, a member of the public has told the Committee that the evidence indirectly identifies them as having made statements which they claim not to have made. I have attached the relevant proof Hansard transcript for reference. The concerns were raised in relation to a statement made by Dr Brady on page 173, specifically:

THE CHAIR: I have a supplementary on that. Did you talk to the Phillip trades at all? They seem to think that the first time they ever had any official notice of this was from our committee.

Mr Ponton: I look to Dr Brady.

Dr Brady: We certainly consulted with everyone through the district strategies. In fact, at one of the meetings I was at for Molonglo, there was someone from the Phillip traders who was advocating that it would be good to not have residential there, because the trades are being pushed out, and that it was very important to maintain trade in those areas. To answer your question, we did not single out the traders association, but we consulted very broadly with lots of different stakeholders, and everyone was invited to participate.

The Committee has requested that EPSDD provide clarification as to who was being discussed and if they represent any specific organisation in the highlighted evidence given by Dr Erin Brady.

Please contact the secretariat if you have any questions.

Kind regards,

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Inquiry into the Territory Plan and other associated documents

Question on Notice (Committee)

Asked by: Ms Jo Clay MLA

Addressed to: Minister for Planning and Land Management

Reference: Environment, Planning and Sustainable development Directorate.

Hearing Date: 07/12/2023

In relation to: Removal of Residential dwellings as a permitted use within the Phillip Service Trades Area

Question Lodgement Date: 13/12/2023

In response to a question about the removal of residential dwellings as a permitted use within the Phillip Service Trades Area, the Director-General, Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate, said in developing the new Territory Plan 'we also started to turn our mind to other feedback we have been receiving in relation to the ability to have service providers close to where people live'.

The Deputy Director-General, Planning and Sustainable Development said 'at one of the meetings I was at for Molonglo there was someone there from the Phillip traders who was advocating that it would be good to not have residential there because the trades are being pushed out and it was very important to maintain trade in those areas. So, to answer your question we didn't single out the traders association but we consulted very broadly with lots of different stakeholders and everyone was invited to participate.'

In the ACT Planning System Consultation and Response Report under the Woden District Strategy there were submissions received which highlighted 'the lack of detail for Phillip Business Precinct'. The Report noted in response 'The ACT Government supports protecting commercial CZ3 service zoned areas of Phillip from residential development and appropriate provisions have been included in the planning reforms to achieve this.'

- (1) In what form was the feedback received by the Deputy Director-General from one or more Phillip traders seeking removal of residential from the allowed uses for the zone. And at which session was that feedback was provided?
- (2) Can you provide a copy of the submissions referred to in the ACT Planning System Consultation and Response Report?
- (3) What was the 'other feedback' referred to by the Director-General and can copies of that 'other feedback' be provided?