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To Commission members,

RE: Independent Planning Commission NSW Public Meeting Culburra Beach, West Culburra Concept Proposal

I am writing to you to voice my disappointment in speakers & attendants on Tues 24th July 2018 Independent Planning Commission Meeting at Culburra Beach R.SL.

I felt vilified by certain speakers as though attending a public witch trial. I attended the meeting to hear the proponents of the proposal & hear all those entitled to speak. I was there to gain a good understanding of the proposal & all speakers' opinions & come to an educated decision based on all evidence & opinion. I have spoken to representatives of the proponent, supporters, & opposition members as well as read the evaluation of the proposal by the NSW Dept. Planning and Environment & other relevant documents.

I felt extremely uncomfortable & publicly identified as there was a speaker who directed a show of hands from the attendants of those for & against the proposal & faced public ridicule based on the fact I did not raise my hand in support as I had not heard all speakers & I had not been able to make an educated decision at that time.

I believe as a resident of Culburra Beach I have the right to listen to all speakers at a public meeting discussing my town's future without being singled out in a crowd of angry residents by request for show of hands.

I would like it to be known that there are many permanent residents who were unable to attend due to the timing of the meeting with work commitments, care of young children, some residents chose not to go as there was a feeling of possible vilification, & I noted that some people left the meeting when members of the crowd became vocal & speakers singled out people in the crowd.

I trust the commission will be able to make a good decision based on all facts of this case & hope those militant in opinion will not intimidate into silence those with differing opinions for fear of retribution.

Yours Sincerely,

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Kirsten Pichler