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We were in the planning process of starting a market garden business using horses and horse drawn implements to tend to the garden, however planning has been ceased after the animal activists who stole from Gippy Goat Cafe were given ridiculous fines which could be interpreted as the court's support to go forth and trespass and steal. The purpose of our new business to be located in East Gippsland, would be to strengthen community ties to the history of farming and working draft horses with a plan to include school excursion visits to further educate our young people on their food, where it comes from and how it is grown. Using the example of the incident at Gippy Goat Cafe and other footage reports on animal activist trespass and theft, and considering our very well cared for animals will be the essence of our business we have decided to cease further business planning until new laws protecting farms, farmers and their assets are established. Makes me wonder how many other opportunities our community is missing out on because of the lack of confidence in our legal system.

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