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The Secretary  
Legislative Council Select Committee on Public Land Development  
Parliament Of Victoria  
Spring Street  
Melbourne VIC 3002

Dear Mr. Willis

I welcome the opportunity to address the Committee. My husband and I have an issue with the Melbourne 2030 policy and the way our property was **legislated** into the Green Wedge with absolutely no consultation beforehand and no notification afterwards. Since I stumbled on the news I have been looking for answers. I have asked my local member Hon Liz Beattie for a meeting twice... once for ourselves and again with a group of neighbours... but we were not given one. However in the correspondence we were given the line about 'extensive consultation with the community'. Likewise the Hon Simon Maddon M.L.C. referred me to D.S.E. where I was fed the same line. So now I am looking for the truth.

Is there any public land in Hume City set aside for development and if so where is it? Would it be included already in the land that the Planning Minister says is available and sufficient for 2030 ?

Is public land purchased for a specific reason or does it become available because a facility is no longer needed - for example like the munitions complex or schools that have closed ?

Who collects the money ?

Is this enquiry into public land needed to raise revenue ?

Is it about meeting housing targets?

Is it about reducing the grip the developers have on supply ?

Is it going to put some balance back into the market and stop the secrecy ?

It would be a privilege to speak at a public hearing and get some answers. So many of my friends and neighbours are frustrated and confused because lately it feels we are over governed and choking in red tape and unexplained rules. We do not want to be in the Green Wedge and can see no reason to be. I trust your committee will release public land if it is needed and not at the expense of landowners like us who are only want their autonomy back..

Thanking you

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Mrs. Lucia Morham.