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Dear Chairman

Petition 003 – Proposed Telecommunications Tower – Bell Hill Reserve

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comment about the issues raised in the above petition.

This matter was raised with me by a number of my constituents who live in the vicinity of the Bell Hill Reserve. They have been most concerned that the proposal will impact negatively on the community in a number of ways.

Bell Hill Reserve was created through subdivision to be set aside for recreation as a small local reserve. It is in close proximity to homes and is a haven to a number of different varieties of flora and fauna.

It is also a significant site and yet I am advised there has been no consultation with the local Aboriginal community and no proper investigation regarding its cultural heritage and values.

Finally, I am advised that there are a number of other viable sites that would be more suitable for a telecommunications tower of this kind and it is my view that these options should be considered fully.

I look forward to hearing of the Committee's deliberations on this matter. Should you require any further information or clarification about this matter please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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