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To: [DPTI:Planning Reform Submissions](#)
Subject: SUBMISSION ON PLANNING & DESIGN CODE
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ATTENTION: State Planning Commission

By email: DPTI.PlanningReformSubmissions@sa.gov.au

To Whom it May Concern

SUBMISSION ON PLANNING & DESIGN CODE

In response to the draft Planning and Design Code, which is currently out for public consultation, I wish to register my **VERY STRONG OBJECTIONS** .

The Code contains many policy provisions and implications that have the potential to be hugely detrimental to the character and amenity of both urban areas and historic and rural SA communities and townships.

This Code is being introduced with undue haste and the public consultation period is not sufficient for full discussion. It is hard to access for the general public. It is incomplete and inaccurate with ongoing additions and modifications. Full comprehension and proper feedback is impossible. **THE SO-CALLED 'CONSULTATION' PROCESS IS CYNICAL OBFUSCATION AT ITS WORST.**

THE COMPOSITION OF THE STATE PLANNING COMMISSION IS UNREPRESENTATIVE with members with conflicts of interest.

WHERE ARE THE COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES ON THE PLANNING COMMISSION?

The current Liberal Government was opposed to John Rau's PDI Act when in Opposition.

Already throughout Adelaide, John Rau's legacy is to be seen. It is a legacy of development at any cost with little thought to the long term loss of what makes Adelaide unique.

Since coming to office the Liberal Party has reversed its earlier position and the Government is now enthusiastically supportive of a fundamentally flawed plan that destroys heritage, character and amenity across our city and State.

The draft Code facilitates larger developments, with easier removal of trees on both private and public land. This will result in a significant reduction in canopy cover, habitat loss and climate resilience as a result of increased infill development opportunities, reduction in minimum site areas, site coverage, setbacks and increased number of street cross-overs.

Thermal imaging of our city and suburbs is providing incontrovertible evidence of the creation of urban heat islands where increased development and removal of existing trees translates directly to significantly higher street temperatures.

Sustainability, biodiversity, open space, greening and climate change have received little attention in this draft Code, despite these being recognised as issues of utmost importance facing our community and our times.

Like its Federal counterpart, the South Australian Liberal Government is ignoring the changes which affect all of us, while proposing a code which is dramatically skewed in favour of development and construction.

THE DRAFT PLANNING AND DESIGN CODE IS NOT FIT FOR PURPOSE and contains unacceptable provisions for built and natural heritage.

It must be withdrawn, re-written and submitted to a genuine community consultation process.

Virginia Kennett



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Good afternoon,

Please see below an email from an Unley Electorate Constituent, Virginia Kennett.

Could you please respond to her concerns.

Thank you,

Regards,
Dian

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To The Hon. David Pisoni
Member for Unley

RE THE DRAFT PLANNING AND DESIGN CODE

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Dear Mr Pisoni,

I am writing to you, the elected Member for Unley in the current Liberal Government and therefore my representative, re the Draft Planning and Design Code which is currently out for public consultation.

I am sure that as the representative of the Unley electorate, you are aware of the groundswell of opposition to the proposed Code.

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The composition of the State Planning Commission is unrepresentative; where are the community representatives on the planning commission?

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Mr Pisoni, I urge you as my elected representative, to act in favour of your community by supporting withdrawal of the draft Planning and Design Code.

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