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6 Church Lane
Dysart, Tas 7030

Director of Local Government
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Department of Premier and Cabinet
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Dear Alex,

We are writing to you to express our concern at not having been provided with the proper opportunity to respond to your request for feedback on the proposed Burial and Cremation Amendment Bill 2018.

Unfortunately, your letter dated the 27th of September 2018 was sent to St Ann's Church, 25 East Bagdad Road, Bagdad instead of the correct address of St Ann's Church, 6 Church Lane, Dysart. I took delivery of your letter yesterday (29th October) from Bagdad Post Office (a post office that we no longer use for our mail service).

A letter of this significance, and of great importance to us, should have been sent registered mail; then you would have been alerted to the fact that we had not received your letter or been notified of the proposed amendments to the Burial and Cremations Act 2002. As the owners and managers of Dysart Cemetery (St Ann's) we feel that we have not been provided with the opportunity to be included in this important consultation process.

The deadline for feedbacks was the 14th of October (only 11 working days after your letter was dated); this in itself (had we actually received your letter at the correct address) creates concerns - as it would have provided an extremely limited amount of time to seek legal advice, research the subject matter and provide a response.

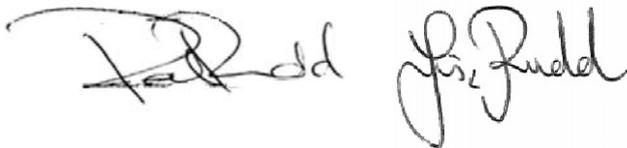
We also have great concerns that these amendments are being rushed through without due process or proper consultation due to the Anglican Diocese of Tasmania's decision to sell off properties.

The proposed amendments to the Act will have significant impact on the value of our property; with the potential that we could be financially disadvantaged by the proposed changes and face hardship should we chose to sell our privately-owned property. We have been provided with no true opportunity to fully explore or express the ramifications of the changes to the Act via the State Government's "feedback processes".

In closing we would like to again express our serious concerns that, due to an incorrect address, we were not aware of this matter and have not been provided with the proper and legal opportunity to contribute to the process.

We look forward to hearing from you in relation to this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Handwritten signatures of Paul and Lisa Rudd. The signature on the left is 'Paul Rudd' and the signature on the right is 'Lisa Rudd'. Both are written in a cursive, handwritten style.

Paul and Lisa Rudd
Managers and Owners
Dysart Cemetery
Dysart

30th October 2018