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Thank you for the opportunity to contribute to the Engagement Workshop on 19 February 2025. I omitted to raise my concerns regarding the Temporary Advisors Reports . The Advisors report should be tabled by the Minister to the Parliament to give it protection from defamation and protect the document through Parliamentary privilege.

These reports should be the property of the Office of Local Government and the Minister and should be able to be accessed by the public.

The Advisor's report should address community concerns, and the public should have access to the recommendations of the report . The Advisor should have the ability to give firm and frank advise. He/ She should have access to all council documents including confidential documents.

I have seen firsthand reports being made confidential and the community being prevented from knowing what was being recommended. Investigators into council have also been prevented from viewing documents on the basis of confidentiality.

Regards

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