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Sent: Wednesday, 4 April 2018 11:05 AM
To: Local Government Board (DPaC)
Subject: Submission against the amalgamation of Tasman and Sorell council.

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Dear local government board

Please find my email submission below

I feel we are in danger of losing our identity and rural roots if this amalgamation takes place. We have very little in common with a large council. Sorell is quickly becoming an outer suburb of Hobart and has no understanding of the needs of our small community at Tasman. Tourism is our main employer in this area and the branding of Tasman is connected to Port Arthur Historic Site and has taken many years and a lot of money to bring it to the attention of the world.

Many of the public buildings in the region have been built by generation of volunteers with labour and fund raising carried out by community through the decades. The sense of community is very strong and this will be lost.

Jobs will be lost in an area where unemployment is already high. Some of the council staff have both partners working in the council. A double blow for their families and the community when they have to move away to get work.

I am satisfied with the Tasman council as it is, and have no objection to the sharing of equipment and staff. In my opinion change is not warranted and will add a considerable burden to us with no advantage.

Thank you for your time.

Regards

Janienne Chapman,