

kanamaluka/Tamar Estuary Rezoning Proposal

Ms ROSOL question to MINISTER for HOUSING and PLANNING

My question is from concerned residents in the West Tamar. One hundred and seventy-two hectares adjacent to Point Effingham on kanamaluka/Tamar Estuary have been proposed as a SunCable development site. This land is currently being assessed for rezoning by the Tasmanian Planning Commission. The draft amendment seeks to rezone an area approximately half the size of the residential area of George Town to light industrial, without any supporting studies or strategic planning and contrary to Council's own endorsed George Town Structure Plan. This proposed rezoning is contrary to multiple adopted strategic plans and strategies, including the Northern Regional Land Use Strategy and the Northern Tasmanian Industrial Land Study.

Why is there no documentation, strategic or otherwise, to support this industrial rezoning? Have all correct planning procedures been followed during this rezoning process? Was this rezoning application specifically tailored to suit the requirements of a proposed SunCable development?