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Legislative Council Inquiry into the proposed North East Rail Trail.

Dear Members of the Legislative Council.

Rather than looking at the economics of each proposal in regards to the Launceston to Scottsdale Rail Line, Legislative Council Members should investigate how in secret the bike trail proposal came about without any consultation with or knowledge of Tasmania's Heritage Rail sector and line side property owners?

Was the Strategic Infrastructure Corridor Legislation was formulated in secrecy without consultation with the Heritage Rail sector and line side property owners?

The existing North East Rail Trail already traverses the rail line formation from Scottsdale to Tullendena on the former Launceston to Herrick rail line which passed through Derby now the home of the Blue Derby mountain bike trails. The question should be asked why wasn't this former railway formation, the missing link between Tullendena and Derby be the proposition for funding.

How was the Federal Government grant to remove the Launceston to Scottsdale Rail line was obtained without the knowledge of and consultation with Tasmania's Heritage Rail sector and line side property owners?

As a side question, why should Road Transport operators virtually get free use of traffic control lights at intersections while the Heritage Rail and Rail sector have to pay to install and maintain control lights where rail crosses roads?

Yours Sincerely,

Dennis Camplin.