

NORTH EASTERN HILLS SETTLEMENT PATTERN PLAN, SUBMISSIONS

566. Hon Jim Scott to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

- (1) How many submissions were received from the public regarding the North Eastern Hills Settlement Pattern Plan?
- (2) How many submissions were in favour of the plan?
- (3) How many were opposed?
- (4) What changes to the Plan resulted from these submissions?

Hon GRAHAM GIFFARD replied:

- (1) 78 submissions were received.
- (2)-(3) Most of the persons who made submissions were neither categorically in favour or categorically opposed to the Plan. The submissions contained a range of comments on various issues and so it is not possible to determine the total number of persons who were categorically in favour or opposed to the Plan.
- (4) Key changes to the Plan in response to the submissions received include:
  - a reduction in the proposed population from 56,900 to 41,900 in 2026; and
  - a reduction in the number of proposed townsites from six to three.