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Board of Inquiry into Huon Valley Council

The Tasmanian Minister for Planning and Local Government, the Hon. Peter Gutwein has announced a Board of Inquiry to investigate the governance of the Huon Valley Council.

The Board of Inquiry was established due to perceived major divisions within Council that may be affecting governance and operations.

Minister Gutwein said “I also seek to reassure Council employees that council operations will not be impacted during the Board of Inquiry.”

The Huon Valley Council welcomes the Inquiry as it conducts operations on the basis of transparency and accountability. Council members and staff will cooperate fully with the Inquiry’s Terms of Reference.

The Minister has asked the Board of Inquiry to report recommendations to him by 30 November 2015. The Board will consist of Michael Stevens (former Deputy Secretary of Premier and Cabinet) and Jill Taylor (member of LGAT’s Standards Panel).

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