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Dear Mr. Carpenter,

Breakfast meeting June 15th 2006

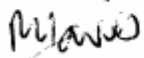
I am writing to thank you for the opportunity to attend the above and to thank Ms. Radisich for inviting me. Your desire to meet with members of the community on a regular basis in order to obtain direct feedback on issues that concern them, is a valuable contribution to the democratic process.

As part of that process I would welcome feedback on the various issues I presented that concern our members and the local community. Of particular interest is our proposal to seek legal protection for the Perth Hills as an area of special significance to all West Australians. I have enclosed the first draft of what is, at this stage, simply a discussion document intended to encourage input from the wider community. Similarly we welcome comment on our proposal that there should be a 'sunset' clause to oblige developers to start selling blocks no later than 2 years from the date of local authority approval.

Last night I attended the screening of a film called "The End of Suburbia – Oil depletion and the collapse of the American Dream". This was organised by the City of Swan and attracted a large audience in the Midland Town Hall. It addresses the fact that we are now living in the latter part of the Oil Age. We are already feeling the effects of this at the petrol pump and must realise that in the foreseeable future there will be no petrol. It will require politicians to put aside their political differences and work together now to manage the unpalatable outcomes of such a monumental change. One thing is made very clear in this film; we must not increase urban sprawl but focus on creating a society that does not rely on the motor car.

It clearly identifies the fact that the kind of townships proposed for the Hills are the exact opposite of what our society will require in a future with ever increasing fuel prices and, ultimately, no fuel at all. I would like to recommend this film to you and your colleagues as essential viewing for all politicians.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mike Davies", with a large, sweeping flourish underneath.

Mike Davies