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Dear Ms Pruneau

MACEDON RANGES PLANNING SCHEME AMENDMENTS

Thank you for your most recent letter to the Hon Richard Wynne MP, Minister for Planning about your concerns with the resolution of Macedon Ranges Shire Council to advance proposed planning scheme amendments for Macedon and Mount Macedon, ahead of a decision on the outcomes of the Macedon Ranges Protection Advisory Committee (the committee). I am responding on behalf of the Minister.

The committee was appointed to investigate an appropriate policy to achieve protection of the significant values, attributes and character of the Macedon Ranges, and to advise the Minister for Planning on potential legislative options to implement that policy. I can advise that the committee has submitted its report and the Minister is currently considering the committee's recommendations.

As recently advised in response to your correspondence dated 9 June 2016, any new requests from the Macedon Ranges Shire Council for authorisation to prepare and exhibit a planning scheme amendment would be considered having regard to the requirements of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*, the Victoria Planning Provisions and relevant State and local planning policy in effect at that time.

I appreciate the time you have taken to write to the Minister to express your concerns. If you require further information please contact Sue Pilley, Regional Planner from the Loddon Mallee Region on (03) 4433 8055.

Yours sincerely Jane Howewood

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