

# ANNEXURE E



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Dear Sir,

With reference to the St Helena Government Gazette, issued 11 September 2018, No. 87, regarding the excision of land parcels TH020202, TH020203, TH020204 and TH020205 from the Green Heartland Zone to the Intermediate Zone.

I own land parcel TH020204 and welcome the proposed excision for the following reasons:

- I purchased this parcel in 2008 with the intention of developing it for my personal residential purposes and to return to reside – it is still my intention.  
This is the aspiration for most St Helenians, and should also be in the social and economic objectives of St Helena Government to encourage St Helenians to return to St Helena. These parcels were then in the Intermediate zone and had been approved for residential development (Appendix 1).  
The decision to move this parcel back into the Green Heartland Zone in 2012 (Appendix 2) severely diminished my desire to return to St Helena to reside.
- The reason for rezoning the land given in Appendix 2 regarding its prominence in the landscape has no bearing given that there are other parcels higher on the ridge, TH20214 and TH20215, which are in the Intermediate Zone (Appendix 3).  
Almost every inhabitable ridge on St Helena has a building of some sort on it.
- Any development of these plots would have to conform to the design brief provided by the Planning Office, as stated in the aforementioned Gazette.
- Utilities (water, electricity, drainage, roads, etc) are readily available and will have no impact on other properties in the area, being able to develop these plots would also benefit nearby properties.
- The decision in 2012 to move it back to the Green Heartland Zone has cost me a lot of money. Purchasing this plot of land in 2008 cost a substantial amount of money and building a house now would cost more than twice what it would have 10 years ago. However, I am still prepared to build my house on this plot.
- Following the excision to the Green Heartland Zone in 2012, I took the option of a land swap from the Legal, Lands and Planning Department. Every time I verbally enquired about a swap I was told that there are no comparable alternative plots available. Where else am I to build my home?

I realise that some of my reasons in this representation are biased, but in my inexpert opinion I can see no reason why these plots of land can't be excised to the Intermediate Zone.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Craig Young', with a horizontal line underneath.

Craig Young