



MEDIA ALERT – 1 December 2017

PMAT: PLANNING SCHEME PUBLIC MEETING DRAWS POLITICAL LEADERS

The participation of Labor Leader Rebecca White and Greens planning spokesperson Rosalie Woodruff in a public forum on Planning reforms in Bicheno this weekend highlights the significance of the issue as parliament finishes its last sitting before the 2018 state election.

The event, hosted by the [Planning Matters Alliance of Tasmania \(PMAT\)](#), will feature an overview of issues underlying the new Statewide Planning Scheme and what it means for people on the east coast. This presentation will be followed by a panel discussion and Q&A including the political representatives and local experts.

With planning issues identified as playing a significant role in the outcome of the recent Pembroke by-election, there is much interest in planning as Tasmania heads to the polls. Key issues related to planning for residents of the East Coast, include coastal subdivision, fish farming and public rights of appeal.

Date: Saturday 2nd December 2017 3pm - 5pm

Venue: Beachfront Conference Centre, Bicheno

Speakers:

Sophie Underwood – Coordinator PMAT

Todd Dudley - North East Bioregional Network

Panel – speakers plus:

Rebecca White – Labor Leader

Rosalie Woodruff – Greens Spokesperson on Planning

Cheryl Arnol - Acting Mayor Glamorgan Spring Bay Council

Event details can be viewed online [here](#):

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