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To: John Connelly

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Hello John,

Thank you for the opportunity to to express my campaign here in the upcoming elections.

1) My name is Cayla Pothan and I am dedicated to improving roads, water, responsible spending, reducing wastage and community facilities. I am a local business mum and understand the needs and demands of family life in a rural community from both a business and personal perspective. I am passionate about working with others and opening lines of communication between the regional villages and the council. I was born in Canberra and have been living in the region for over seventeen years.

2) All of these are important and I see many of these points connected to each other. My personnel interest is a Broard scope of what is balanced with these for the community. I am passionate about e. Community consultation.

3) Important decisions need to have community consultation and external expertise. All lines of communication need to be open and clear so people have a chance to voice and be kept up to date. Optimal outcomes are born from good communication and understanding. I feel this is a Broard question and responsibility may not always fall in the same place.

4) The Pros - if it is clean fill (even with rock) it could be used to backfill erosion. Clean fill can also be used to create and maintain private roads where approved by council. We did this at our property in the back of Murrumbateman years ago as we had 3.5klms of a very washed out road to maintain.

5) The cons - if it is unsuitable material (with rubbish etc) it could turn into dumping as people are trying to avoid tip fees. This is totally unexceptable and needs to be stopped.

6) If it is un contaminated there may be a case to improve erosion control at little or no cost or potentially level a house or shed site. I am interested in finding out more about this and educating myself further to understand this better. I am open to learning and have a great interest in the concerns of the local landholders around these issues.

7) The main features for a compliance regime should include;

- Permission from Yass Valley Council
- Fees (to repair damage to roads etc)
- Quality and quantity monitoring
- Inspection fees

Based on merit (eg erosion gully's filled).

I would also love to here some community views on the above questions as I believe that my view shouldn't be the only one.

Thank you again for the opportunity.

Regards  
Cayla Pothan