



PREMIER OF TASMANIA

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Ms Meg Webb MLC
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Dear Meg

Thank you for your letter in regard to ensuring we have the right culture, policies and procedures for people to feel safe and feel respected and to be heard.

I am confident that all Members in this place accept and acknowledge our duty as community leaders and that we share common values when it comes to promoting a positive and respectful culture.

We have all signed the Members Code of Conduct, and understand our obligations to adhere to them and to set the standard when it comes to positive workplace culture. Furthermore all Ministerial and Parliamentary Services staff, and House of Assembly electorate staff, sign up to a code of conduct in their Instruments of Appointment.

However, we must ensure we have a framework that is contemporary, robust and supportive for our people.

As I have discussed with you directly, I welcome your support for an independent review of relevant policies and practices associated with the way that members of Parliament, as well as the parliament, ministerial and electorate staff conduct themselves in respect to the standards and obligations that we should all uphold.

I have written today to Parliamentary leaders, to the Presiding officers of both houses and the Independent Member for Clark, Ms Ogilvie, inviting them along with yourself to have a discussion on this very important issue with me and the Attorney General.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Peter Gutwein'.

Peter Gutwein MP
Premier