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Dear Mr Thompson

MACEDON RANGES SHIRE COUNCIL

Thank you for your letters of 6 and 15 May 2009 to the Minister for Local Government, the Hon Richard Wynne MP, regarding concerns about the Macedon Ranges Shire Council. The Minister has asked me to reply on his behalf and I apologise for the delay in doing so.

We are also in receipt of similar letters you sent to the Minister for Planning and the Minister for Community Services, which have been forwarded to the Minister for Local Government because they relate to his portfolio.

I note that the matters referred to in your correspondence relate to a dispute that arose 20 to 30 years ago and that it has been the subject of several Court decisions, most recently in the Supreme Court of Victoria in November 2006. Decisions by Courts are not subject to alteration or review by the Minister for Local Government or by this Department. You may also wish to note that offences under the Local Government Act may only be commenced within the period of three years after the commission of the offence.

Yours gincerely

John Watson

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