INQUIRY INTO PLANNING SYSTEM AND THE IMPACTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE ON THE ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNITIES

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• Map the climate related risks for future development showing implications for different degrees of warming

- Compulsory consideration of above risks for all future development
- Replace drains with natural water courses.
- Build shopping centres underground.
- Build up not out and reserve space saved for open, green space.

• Shade all open spaces with shade structures in the short term and strategic tree planting in the medium to long term – Remove shade structures once trees grow

• Retreat from areas which will become uninhabitable such as coast lines, flood prone areas and arid areas

- Involve communities who live in these areas now in discussing what the future will look like
- Develop a climate induced resettlement plan.

• Artificial turf is a fire hazard and will emit large amounts of toxic smoke if burnt, it should be banned.

• Honour the 30 / 30 by 2030 pledge by designating 30% of our marine environment as marine parks and identify the 30% of our land mass which will be preserved for bio diversity.

• Set up an independent net zero commission to oversee all the above.

• National building standards which minimise energy use, maximise insulation and build with carbon neutral components

• Replace concrete with laminated timber where possible