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Dear Mr Old

### **SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STUDY OF GAMBLING IN TASMANIA – INDUSTRY CONSULTATIONS**

As you may be aware, the second independent review of the social and economic impact of gambling has commenced. The Allen Consulting Group was awarded the tender to conduct the study and I am writing to advise that they will soon be commencing industry consultations.

One component of this study is to examine the social and economic impacts of gambling at the local government area (LGA) level in Tasmania.

In order for Allen Consulting to conduct this detailed analysis, part of their consultation process will involve the hotels and clubs that reside in eight LGAs. The LGAs nominated for inclusion in this study are Break O'Day, Brighton, Circular Head, Clarence, Devonport, Glenorchy, Launceston and Sorell.

Allen Consulting will be contacting all venue operators in these LGAs, inviting them to a roundtable discussion. Allen Consulting propose to hold these discussions in mid-April and will provide the operator with a discussion guide prior to the meeting.

You may receive contact from venue operators with questions regarding the study. If you have any questions or require further information please contact Damien Febey from the Department of Treasury and Finance on (03) 6233 2094.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "M J Wallace".

M J Wallace  
**SECRETARY**

For

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