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Subject: RE: Transcript and questions on notice - Inquiry into tourism in local communities

Please find response to Question on page 11 of transcript directed at Belinda Barlow OROC re: written submission suggests that tourism is a weak return on investment..

Response:

The current suite of tourism funding (state or federal programs) inhibits local government/ small communities from applying – eligibility is limited and all too often funding is aimed at regional tourism initiatives not local initiatives and eligibility via co-contribution is too prohibitive for small rural councils. Therefore council will shift its focus to capitalising on its strengths.

The burden of maintaining and access to current tourism infrastructure investment and management of related operations is mostly with limited council funding and budgets(VICs, council owned caravan parks etc) – and quite often the ongoing viability and operations of such tourism investments by councils is questionable (by the elected members).

Special rate variations are not a solution to support local tourism initiatives.

✓ Also please note in transcript page 8 Ms Barlow... (line 6) Aboriginal keeping **phase** should be Aboriginal Keeping **Place**.

Thank you
Kind regards
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Subject: Transcript and questions on notice - Inquiry into tourism in local communities

Dear Mr Alchin and Ms Barlow

Thank you for participating in the General Purpose Standing Committee No. 3 most recent hearing in relation to its inquiry into tourism in local communities.

Please find attached to this email the following documents:

- A transcript letter
- A copy of the transcript for correction

Please note that answers to questions on notice and a corrected transcript, if there are corrections, are due on **Friday 8 November 2013**.