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**Sent:** Thu, 10 Mar 2022 10:48:07 +1100

**To:** "Council" <council@warwyn.tas.gov.au>

**Subject:** Doctors Rocks Penguin beaches

To whom it may concern,

I'm writing to say thankyou for making the beaches dog free around Doctors Rocks for the penguins. I can now take my interstate visitors and children there to show them the penguins' habitats without worrying about dogs coming up to us and wondering if they're friendly or not. It is also now not embarrassing to be part of a community that allows dogs and penguins in the same space as they once were to the great detriment of the penguin population. Previously my visitors were gobsmacked to hear how Wynyard once allowed this, one of only a few places in Australia that did so. I'm now proud to be part of this community. I like dogs, but having grown up in a sheep farm, I know that their instincts are to hunt and kill if not under strict owner supervision.

I'm a bit concerned to hear that once again, although they have their own designated dog beaches here in Wynyard, that dog owners want to reinstate dogs being allowed on the Doctors Rocks beaches, please do not allow this to happen for all of the above reasons. I'll be so disappointed and would feel that the council is bowing down to the pressure of very few and not looking at the long term future of the well being of these penguins and the world view of our beautiful community.

Kind regards,

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