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TIME TO MOVE FORWARD

Gerry Wood, the Independent Member for Nelson, says about 100 people turned up to a thank you rally last night outside Parliament House last night.

The rally was originally to be held to protest against the Government Local Government Reform process but instead it was called to thank all the people who had supported the successful campaign to stop the reform process in the rural area.

Gerry said that at the meeting he told the rural residents, that this was not a time for gloating over the Government’s decision but a time to grab the initiative and move the reform process forward – a reform process where the community could have a say.

Gerry said the Government appears to have taken its bat and ball home, but that is all the more reason why the community needs to keep the momentum going.

Gerry says he offered the Chief Minister to work with him in a bi partisan way to reactivate a community based reform process but that seems to have been ignored.

Gerry says he will be writing to all rural councils in the ‘Top End Shire’ to see if they are willing to help keep the reform process going. He said he would also be willing to assist in the process.

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