Gerry Wood, Independent Member for Nelson says the declaration of the Litchfield Sub Regional Plan by the Minister for Planning today shows how out of touch and arrogant this Government is when it comes to planning in the rural area.

Gerry says that the Minister has taken no notice of what people want. He has just done what he wants, the Planning Commissioner and developers want.

He says this Government will be remembered for its urbanisation of the rural area and its steadfast refusal to stick to its own plans and build Weddell.

Today is a sad day for those who believe in rural development, small villages serving the rural area and a place to raise a family in a rural environment – but then you wouldn’t expect Dave to understand that.

Gerry says Labor now needs to say what it would do if it wins the next election.