A win for open and transparent Government

Gerry Wood, the Independent Member for Nelson, said he would like to thank the Minister for Primary Industries and Fisheries for supporting his amendments to the Pastoral Lands Board Act today.

Gerry says he brought forward two changes that would

1. allow the Pastoral Lands Board to hold public meetings in relation to applications for non pastoral developments on pastoral land
2. and require all applications to be advertised in a local paper and on the Boards web site.

Gerry says that these common sense changes will allow for open and transparent processes to occur when an application for a non pastoral use is submitted for approval.

The changes mean that traditional land owners, other pastoralists, local councils and the community in general can have the opportunity to comment on a proposal.

Gerry says this makes for better Government and he would once again like to thank the Minister for his support of the independent Member’s amendments.