

# LOCAL GOVERNMENT PECUNIARY INTEREST TRIBUNAL

PIT NO 4/1998

DIRECTOR GENERAL, DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL  
GOVERNMENT

RE: COUNCILLOR WILLIAM PETER SMITS, SNOWY  
RIVER SHIRE COUNCIL

## ORDER OF THE TRIBUNAL

**THE TRIBUNAL** has found that a complaint made by the Director-General, Department of Local Government pursuant to section 460 of the Local Government Act, 1993 that William Peter Smits, being a Councillor of Snowy River Shire Council, contravened section 451 of that Act, with respect to consideration by the Council's Environmental Services Committee at meetings of that Committee held on 5 March 1996, 5 November 1996 and 1 July 1997 and with respect to consideration by the Council at meetings of the Council held on 19 March 1996, 19 November 1996, 20 May 1997 and 15 July 1997 of questions relating to a proposal to amend the existing Snowy River Local Environmental Plan by adopting a new Local Environmental Plan for the whole Shire, has been proved.

Pursuant to section 482(1) of the Act the Tribunal **ORDERS** that Councillor Smit be and he is hereby suspended from civic office for the period commencing 5 July 1999 and expiring 2 August 1999.

DATED: 30 June 1999



K J HOLLAND Q.C.  
Pecuniary Interest Tribunal