Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery Cuts – Climate Change and Biodiversity

Ms BROWN question to MINISTER for the ARTS

My question is from Esther from Margate. TMAG is one of Tasmania's most important cultural institutions. Its collection and staff are outstanding assets that provide cultural and economic value to Tasmanians. This depends both on exhibitions and specialist work and knowledge. These drastic proposed cuts will limit capacity for quality public access that benefits so many people, both Tasmanians and tourists. Reducing staff will damage TMAG's ability to serve visitors now and to safeguard the collections entrusted to it in the future.

Esther asks: why is the Tasmanian Government threatening drastic cuts to a vital institution when, at a time of rapid climate change, where biodiversity protection is more important than ever, these institutions should be invested in, not thrown aside?