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The Chairman,
Health and Community Services,
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The proposed amendment to the Object of the Act in Section 4 completely changes the purpose of the Act. No longer will it be primarily concerned with the conservation of nature, as is presently the case, but it will now have social, cultural and commercial use of protected areas as an object. This may look harmless at face value. However, the object of an Act is the first port of call by a court of law when interpreting any provision of an Act.

I particularly object to commercial use of a National Park as the interests of the National Park will never be the first consideration for a business – no matter what they suggest they will do, their first priority is to make money otherwise they can't stay in business. National Parks should never be put in a position where a commercial venture could affect ability to be preserved.

Yours faithfully,
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