Written submission from Fiona Allen

I am responding to the request for citizen comments on the Land Reform Bill.

I particularly commend the move to cancel the exclusion of deer forests etc. from the valuation rolls.

However the valuation is decided, I feel that this will possibly raise enough money to cover the expense of enforcing it, and at the very least;

1) create a sense of increased democracy when people learn that such areas are to be included in valuation rolls

2) create a sense of increased open-ness when the relevant information about ownership becomes available

and

3) foster a sense of increased participation and community spirit when it is clear that large landowners no longer enjoy exemptions which are not available to citizens without such privileges.