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Mr Ken Ticehurst Member for Dobell

Firstly I would like to apologise for having to leave the meeting at Mingara before the invited guests replied as I was called back to work.

My congratulations to you for calling this meeting and allowing the free discussion that you did and having so many people involved.

I have two suggestions for the forum in Canberra:-

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1 That once custody and maintenance has been agreed upon that this remains and can only be contested if the custodian breaches these conditions in the eyes of the welfare department.

This is to avoid the cost burden upon the family having to continually return to the courts at the request of other party.

2 That maintenance is only paid off your first income. Not on second or third job's as is now. This will allow the paying member to get a life back and not have to go outside the law to survive.

Yours in Support Of the Children

George T Lewis

