



Deed

Planning Agreement

Under s7.4 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*

Maitland City Council
Thornton Brentwood Pty Ltd

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Regulatory Compliance Tables

Table 1 – Provisions of Act

Act Provision	Requirement	Compliance
S.7.4(1)	'Planning Authority'	Council
	'Developer'	Developer
	Person associated with Developer	N/A
	Development Application / Modification Application	See definitions of ' <i>Development Application</i> ' and ' <i>Modification Application</i> ' in clause 1.1 and Item 4.a and 4.b of the VPA Particulars
	Development Contributions	See Part 2 and Development Contributions Table
S.7.4(1), (2)	Public Purpose	See Column 2 of the Development Contributions Table
S.7.4(3)(a)	Land	See Definition of ' <i>Land</i> ' in clause 1.1 and Item 1 of the VPA Particulars
S.7.4(3)(b)(i)	Instrument Change	See definition of ' <i>Instrument Change</i> ' in clause 1.1 and Item 3 of the VPA Particulars
S.7.4(3)(b)(ii)	Development	See definition of ' <i>Development</i> ' in clause 1.1 and Item 2 of the VPA Particulars
S.7.4(3)(c)	Details of Developer's Provision	See Development Contributions Table
S.7.4(3)(d)	Whether s7.11, s7.12 and Subdivision 4 of Division 7.1 of the Act Apply to the Development	See clauses 8.1, 8.3 and 8.3 and Item 7.a, 7.c and 7.d of the VPA Particulars
S.7.4(3)(e)	Whether benefits under Deed are or are not to be taken into consideration in determining a Development	See clause 8.2 and Item 7.b of the VPA Particulars

	Contribution under s7.11	
S.7.4(3)(f)	Mechanism for the Resolution of Disputes	See Part 3
S.7.4(3)(g)	Enforcement of the Agreement by a Suitable Means in the Event of Breach by the Developer	See Part 4 and Item 17 of the VPA Particulars
S.7.4 (10)	Conformity of Agreement with Act, Environmental Planning Instruments, & Development Consents Applying to the Land	Yes
S.7.5	Public Notice & Public Inspection of Draft Agreement	Yes
S.7.6	Registration	See Part 5
S.6.15(1)(d)	If the Development involves the subdivision of land, does this Agreement impose requirements that are required to be complied with before a subdivision certificate is issued?	Yes

Table 2 – Provisions of Regulation

Regulation Provision	Requirement	Compliance
Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021		
S.203(1)	Form & Subject-Matter	Yes
S.203(7)	Secretary's Practice Note	Yes
S.204	Public Notice & Public Inspection of Draft Agreement	Yes
S.205	Explanatory Note	See Appendix
Environmental Planning and Assessment (Development Certification and Fire Safety) Regulation 2021		
Ss.21, 34	If the Development involves building work or subdivision work, does the Agreement specify requirements that are required to be complied with before a construction certificate for the work is issued?	Yes, see: • clauses 18.3 and 18.4

Parties

Council **Maitland City Council** ABN 11 596 310 805 of 263 High St,
Maitland NSW 2320

Developer **Thornton Brentwood Pty Ltd** ACN 622 242 497 atf
Thornton Brentwood Unit Trust of Unit 8, 41-46 Newcomen Street,
Newcastle NSW 2300

Background

- A The Developer owns the Land.
- B The Developer has made the Development Application to the Council.
- C The Development Application seeks consent under the Act to carry out the Development on the Land.
- D Pursuant to s7.4 of the EPA Act, the Developer and the Council have agreed to enter into this Deed in connection with the Planning Proposal.
- E This Deed requires the Developer to provide material public benefits to the Council in connection with the carrying out of the Development being:
 - E.1 the dedication of the Environmental Land to Council for the purposes of a biodiversity corridor to which the public will have access, and
 - E.2 the construction and transfer of ownership to the Council of public car parking and a connecting public footpath on the Council Land.

Operative provisions

Part 1 - Preliminary

1 Definitions & Interpretation

Definitions

- 1.1 In this Deed, the words and phrases appearing in Column 1 of the following table have the meaning set out in Column 2 of that table corresponding to those words or phrases except in so far as the context or subject-matter otherwise indicates or requires:

Table

Column 1	Column 2
Word or phrase	Meaning
Act	means the <i>Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979</i> (NSW).
Applicable Contributions Plan	means the contributions plan (within the meaning of the Act) specified in Item 6.a) of the VPA Particulars as amended or substituted from time to time.
Applicable Development Consent	means the development consent specified or described in Item 5 of the VPA Particulars or granted in respect of the Development.
Approval	includes approval, consent, licence, permission or the like.
Approved Person	means a person reasonably approved by the Council to undertake construction, supervision, inspection or testing of the Developer Works because of the suitability of their qualifications, skills and experience in the Council's reasonable opinion.
Authority	means the Commonwealth or New South Wales government, a Minister of the Crown, a government department, a public authority established by or under any Act, a council or county council constituted under the <i>Local Government Act 1993</i> (NSW), or a person or body exercising functions under any Act including a commission, panel, court, tribunal and the like.
Bank Guarantee	means an irrevocable and unconditional undertaking without any expiry or end date in favour of the Council to pay an amount or amounts of money to the Council on demand issued by: (a) one of the following trading banks: (i) Australia and New Zealand Banking Group Limited, (ii) Commonwealth Bank of Australia, (iii) Macquarie Bank Limited, (iv) National Australia Bank Limited, (v) St George Bank Limited,

- (vi) Westpac Banking Corporation, or
- (b) any other financial institution approved by the Council in its absolute discretion.

Bond	means a documentary performance bond which must be denominated in Australian dollars and be an unconditional undertaking issued by an Australian Prudential Regulation Authority (APRA) regulated authorised deposit taking institution or an insurer authorised by APRA to conduct new or renewal insurance business in Australia that has at all times an investment grade security rating from an industry recognised rating agency.
Claim	includes a claim, demand, remedy, suit, injury, damage, loss, Cost, liability, action, proceeding or right of action.
Clearance Certificate	means a clearance certificate issued by the Commissioner for Taxation under paragraph 14-220 of Schedule 1 of the <i>Taxation Administration Act 1953</i> (Cth).
Construction Certificate	has the same meaning as in the Act.
Construction Contract	means a contract or arrangement entered into between the Developer as principal and another person under which the other person undertakes to provide Work required by this Deed, or to supply related goods and services, for the Developer.
Contamination	has the same meaning as in the CLM Act.
Contractor	means the contractor under the Construction Contract.
Cost	means a cost, charge, expense, outgoing, payment, fee and other expenditure of any nature.
Council Land	means land owned by the Council being Lot 1538 DP 832922, Lot 848 DP 703278, Lot 8884, DP 786883, Lot 1094 DP 807086.
Dedication Land	means the Environmental Land.
Dedication Land Plan	means the plan contained in Schedule 3 showing the location of the Dedication Land.
Deed	means this Deed and includes any schedules, annexures and appendices to this Deed.

Defect	means anything that adversely affects, or is likely to adversely affect, the appearance, structural integrity, functionality or use or enjoyment of a Work or any part of a Work.
Defects Liability Period	means, in relation to the whole or any specified part of the Developer Works, the period specified in Item 14 of the VPA Particulars commencing on the day immediately after a Practical Completion Certificate is issued by the Council.
Developer Works	means Works that the Developer is required to provide under this Deed.
Developer Works Agreed Cost	means the \$ amount (if any) specified in Item 9 of the Particulars.
Developer Works Location Plan	means the plan contained in Schedule 4 showing the location of the Developer Works.
Developer Works Plans & Drawings	means the detailed plans and drawings for the Developer Works approved by the Council referred to in Schedule 5.
Developer Works Provisions	means the provisions contained in Schedule 6.
Development	means the development specified or described in Item 2 of the VPA Particulars.
Development Application	means the development application within the meaning of the Act specified or described in Item 4.a of the VPA Particulars.
Development Contribution	means the dedication of land free of cost, a monetary contribution, the provision of any other material public benefit including but not limited to the provision of Works, or any combination of them.
Development Contribution Credit	means the \$ amount (if any) specified in Item 11 of the VPA Particulars
Development Contributions Table	means the table contained in Schedule 2.
Dispute	means a dispute or difference between the Parties under or in relation to this Deed.
ELNO	has the meaning given to that term in the Participation Rules.

Environmental Land	means the part of the Land zoned C3 <i>Environmental Management</i> under <i>Maitland Local Environmental Plan 2011</i> being Part Lot 425 DP 1262858, 35 Hillgate Drive, Thornton and marked 'Environmental Dedication Land' on the Dedication Land Plan contained in Schedule 3.
Equipment	means any equipment, apparatus, vehicle or other equipment or thing to be used by or on behalf of the Developer in connection with the performance of its obligations under this Deed.
Final Lot	means a lot created in the Development for separate residential occupation and disposition or a lot of a kind or created for a purpose that is otherwise agreed by the Parties, not being a lot created by a subdivision of the Land: (a) that is to be dedicated or otherwise transferred to the Council, or (b) on which is situated a dwelling-house that was in existence on the date of this Deed.
Force Majeure Event	means an earthquake, cyclone, fire, riot or serious civil commotion, sabotage, act of a public enemy, act of God (excluding storms), war, revolution, radioactive contamination or flood, the effects of which cannot be prevented by taking those steps a prudent and competent person would take.
Foreign Resident Capital Gains Withholding Amount	mean the amount a purchaser is required to pay to the Commissioner for Taxation under paragraph 14-200 of the <i>Taxation Administration Act 1953 (Cth)</i> .
General Security	means a Bank Guarantee or a bond or other form of security on terms reasonably satisfactory to the Council in the amount specified in Item 17.a of the VPA Particulars indexed in accordance with the method of indexation specified in 17.b of the VPA Particulars.
GST	has the same meaning as in the GST Law.
GST Law	has the same meaning as in <i>A New Tax System (Goods and Services Tax) Act 1999 (Cth)</i> and any other Act or regulation relating to the imposition or administration of the GST.
Instrument Change	means the change to the environmental planning instrument specified or described in Item 3 of the VPA Particulars.

Insurances	means the insurances specified in Item 21 of the VPA Particulars and such other insurances required by law in relation to the Developer Works.
Item	means a numbered item appearing in the VPA Particulars or the Development Contributions Table.
Just Terms Act	means the <i>Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991</i> (NSW).
Land	means the land specified or described in Item 1 of the VPA Particulars.
Modification Application	means the application to modify the Applicable Development Consent specified or described in Item 4.b of the VPA Particulars.
N/A	means Not Applicable
Other Land	means land owned or occupied by a person other than the Developer or the Council to which entry and access is needed by the Developer to perform this Deed.
Participation Rules	means the participation rules as determined by the <i>Electronic Conveyancing National Law</i> as set out in the <i>Electronic Conveyancing (Adoption of National Law) Act 2012</i> (NSW).
Party	means a party to this Deed.
PEXA	means Property Exchange Australia Ltd.
Practical Completion	in relation to the Developer Works or a specified part of the Developer Works occurs when the Council has issued a Practical Completion Certificate for the Developer Works or the part.
Practical Completion Certificate	means a certificate issued by the Council to the Developer to the effect that, in the reasonable opinion of the Council, the Developer Works or a specified part of the Developer Works are substantially complete and any incomplete part or Defect is of a minor nature.
Principal Contractor	means the Person defined in as the Principal Contractor under the <i>Work Health and Safety Act 2011</i> (NSW) or <i>Work Health and Safety Regulation 2011</i> (NSW) or an equivalent under Commonwealth work health and safety laws.

Rectification Notice	means a notice in writing: (a) identifying the nature and extent of a Defect or incomplete Work, and (b) specifying the works or actions that are required to Rectify the Defect or incomplete Work, and (c) specifying the date by which or the period within which the Defect or incomplete Work is to be rectified, which date or period must not be unreasonable having regard to the nature of the Defect or incomplete Work.
Rectify	means rectify, remedy or correct.
Regulation	means the <i>Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021</i> (NSW).
Review Period	means the period specified in Item 24 of the VPA Particulars.
Section 7.11 Contribution	means a monetary contribution payable to the Council under s7.11 of the Act pursuant to the Applicable Development Consent.
Stage	means a stage of the Development approved by the Applicable Development Consent or otherwise approved in writing by the Council for the purposes of this Deed.
Subdivision Certificate	has the same meaning as in the Act.
Technical Data	means all technical know-how and information in material form, including manuals, designs, standards, specifications, reports, models, plans, drawings, calculations, software, source code and test results.
Transfer of Ownership Notice	means a notice issued by the Council to the Developer stating that Developer Works the subject of a Practical Completion Certificate vest in the Council on a specified date being not sooner than 14 days after the notice is issued.
VPA Particulars	means the information contained in Schedule 1.
WHS	means work health and safety.

WHS Law	means the <i>Work Health and Safety Act 2011</i> (NSW) and <i>Work Health and Safety Regulation 2011</i> (NSW).
Work	means the physical result of carrying out work in, on, over or under land.
Works-As-Executed Plan	means detailed plans and specifications of Developer Works carried out by the Developer.

Interpretation

- 1.2 In the interpretation of this Deed, the following provisions apply unless the context otherwise requires:
- 1.2.1 Headings are inserted for convenience only and do not affect the interpretation of this Deed.
 - 1.2.2 A reference in this Deed to a business day means a day other than a Saturday or Sunday or a public holiday on which banks are open for business generally in Sydney.
 - 1.2.3 If the day on which any act, matter or thing is to be done under this Deed is not a business day, the act, matter or thing must be done on the next business day.
 - 1.2.4 A reference in this Deed to dollars or \$ means Australian dollars and all amounts payable under this Deed are payable in Australian dollars.
 - 1.2.5 A reference in this Deed to a \$ value relating to a Development Contribution is a reference to the value exclusive of GST.
 - 1.2.6 A reference in this Deed to any law, legislation or legislative provision includes any statutory modification, amendment or re-enactment, and any subordinate legislation or regulations issued under that legislation or legislative provision.
 - 1.2.7 A reference in this Deed to any agreement, deed or document is to that agreement, deed or document as amended, novated, supplemented or replaced.
 - 1.2.8 A reference to a clause, part, schedule or attachment is a reference to a clause, part, schedule or attachment of or to this Deed.
 - 1.2.9 An expression importing a natural person includes any company, trust, partnership, joint venture, association, body corporate or governmental agency.
 - 1.2.10 Where a word or phrase is given a defined meaning, another part of speech or other grammatical form in respect of that word or phrase has a corresponding meaning.
 - 1.2.11 A word which denotes the singular denotes the plural, a word which denotes the plural denotes the singular, and a reference to any gender denotes the other genders.
 - 1.2.12 References to the word 'include' or 'including' are to be construed without limitation.

- 1.2.13 A reference to this Deed includes the agreement recorded in this Deed.
- 1.2.14 A reference to a Party to this Deed includes a reference to the employees, agents and contractors of the Party, the Party's successors and assigns.
- 1.2.15 A reference to 'dedicate' or 'dedication' in relation to land is a reference to dedicate or dedication free of cost.
- 1.2.16 Any schedules, appendices and attachments form part of this Deed.
- 1.2.17 Notes appearing in this Deed are operative provisions of this Deed.

2 Status of this Deed

- 2.1 This Deed is a planning agreement within the meaning of s7.4(1) of the Act.

3 Commencement

- 3.1 This Deed commences and has force and effect on and from the date when the Parties have:
 - 3.1.1 both executed the same copy of this Deed, or
 - 3.1.2 each executed separate counterparts of this Deed and exchanged the counterparts.
- 3.2 The Parties are to insert the date when this Deed commences on the front page and on the execution page.

4 Application of this Deed

- 4.1 This Deed applies to the Land and to the Development.
- 4.2 The Developer acknowledges and agrees that the Applicable Development Consent may be granted subject to a condition requiring this VPA to be complied with in connection with the carrying out of the Development and the Developer is not to object to, or seek a review of, or or appeal against the imposition of such a condition.

5 Warranties

- 5.1 The Parties warrant to each other that they:
 - 5.1.1 have full capacity to enter into this Deed, and
 - 5.1.2 are able to fully comply with their obligations under this Deed.

6 Further agreements

- 6.1 The Parties may, at any time and from time to time, enter into agreements relating to the subject-matter of this Deed that are not inconsistent with this Deed for the purpose of implementing this Deed.

7 Surrender of right of appeal, etc.

- 7.1 The Developer is not to commence or maintain, or to cause or procure the commencement or maintenance, of any proceedings in any court or tribunal or similar body appealing against, or questioning the validity of this Deed, or an Approval relating to the Development in so far as the subject-matter of the proceedings relates to this Deed.

8 Application of s7.11, s7.12 and Subdivision 4 of Division 7.1 of the Act to the Development

Section 7.11 of the Act

- 8.1 Item 7.a of the VPA Particulars states whether this Deed excludes (wholly or in part) the application of section 7.11 of the Act to the Development.
- 8.2 If Item 7.a of the VPA Particulars states that this Deed does not wholly exclude the application of section 7.11 of the Act to the Development, Item 7.b of the VPA Particulars states whether the benefits provided by the Developer under this Deed are to be taken into consideration when determining a Development Contribution under section 7.11 relating to the Development.

Section 7.12 of the Act

- 8.3 Item 7.c of the VPA Particulars states whether this Deed excludes (wholly or in part) the application of section 7.11 of the Act to the Development.

Subdivision 4 of Division 7.1 of the Act

- 8.4 Item 7.d of the VPA Particulars states whether this Deed excludes (wholly or in part) the application of Subdivision 4 of Division 7.1 of the Act to the Development.

Part 2 – Development Contributions

9 Provision of Development Contributions

Development Contributions

- 9.1 The Developer is to make Development Contributions to the Council in accordance with the Development Contributions Table and any other provision of this Deed requiring the Developer to make Development Contributions.

Effect of modification of Applicable Development Consent

- 9.2 [Not Used]

Contribution Values

- 9.3 [NOT USED]

Application of Development Contributions

- 9.4 The Council is to apply each Development Contribution made by the Developer under this Deed towards the public purpose for which it is made and otherwise in accordance with this Deed.

Flexibility in application of Development Contributions

- 9.5 Despite clause 9.4, the Council may apply a monetary Development Contribution made under this Deed towards a public purpose other than the public purpose specified in this Deed if the Council reasonably considers that the public interest would be better served by applying the Development Contribution towards that other purpose rather than the purpose so specified.

10 Payment of monetary Development Contributions

- 10.1 A monetary Development Contribution is made for the purposes of this Deed when the Council receives the full amount of the contribution payable under this Deed in cash or by unendorsed bank cheque or by the deposit by means of electronic funds transfer of cleared funds into a bank account nominated by the Council.

11 Dedication of land

When dedication of land made

- 11.1 A Development Contribution comprising Dedication Land is dedicated for the purposes of this Deed when:
- 11.1.1 the Council is given:

- (a) a Clearance Certificate that is valid at the time of dedication of the Dedication Land, or
- (b) the Foreign Resident Capital Gains Withholding Amount in respect of the Dedication Land, and

11.1.2 One of the following has occurred:

- (a) a deposited plan is registered in the register of plans held with the Registrar-General that dedicates the Dedication Land as a public road (including a temporary public road) under the *Roads Act 1993* (NSW) or creates a public reserve or drainage reserve under the *Local Government Act 1993* (NSW), or
- (b) the Council is given evidence that a transfer of the Dedication Land to the Council has been effected by means of electronic lodgement and registration through PEXA or another ELNO.

Developer to facilitate dedication

- 11.2 The Developer is to do all things reasonably necessary to enable registration of the instrument of transfer to occur.

Dedicated Land to be free of encumbrances

- 11.3 The Developer is to ensure that Dedication Land is free of all encumbrances and affectations (whether registered or unregistered and including without limitation any charge or liability for rates, taxes and charges) except as otherwise agreed in writing by the Council.

Request by Developer

- 11.4 If, having used all reasonable endeavours, the Developer cannot ensure that Dedication Land is free from all encumbrances and affectations, the Developer may request that Council agree to accept the land subject to those encumbrances and affectations, but the Council may withhold its agreement in its absolute discretion.

Indemnity

- 11.5 The Developer indemnifies and agrees to keep indemnified the Council against all Claims made against the Council as a result of any Contamination on or emanating from the Dedication Land but only in relation to Contamination that existed on or before the date that the Dedication Land is transferred or dedicated to Council or compulsorily acquired by Council pursuant to this Deed.

Responsibility for Cost of Land Dedication

- 11.6 The Developer is responsible for meeting all Costs of and incidental to the dedication of the Dedication Land to the Council unless this Deed otherwise expressly provides for a Dedication Land Cost to be met that is not required to be met by the Developer.

Contribution by Council towards Cost of Dedication Land

11.7 [Not Used]

Caveat by Council

11.8 The Developer acknowledges that the Council has an equitable estate or interest in the Dedication Land entitling the Council, pursuant to section 74F of the *Real Property Act 1900* (NSW), to lodge with the Registrar-General a caveat prohibiting the recording of any dealing affecting the Council's estate or interest in that land.

12 Application of Developer Works Provisions

Application of Developer Works Provisions

12.1 The Developer Works Provisions apply to and in respect of Developer Works required by this Deed.

13 Cost of Developer Works

Responsibility for Cost of Developer Works

13.1 The Developer is responsible for meeting all Costs of and incidental to the Developer Works required to be provided under this Deed unless one or more of the following applies:

13.1.1 Item 10 of the VPA Particulars specifies a Council Developer Works Contribution Amount towards the Cost of all or specified Developer Works;

13.1.2 the costs relate to the design of the Developer Works, or

13.1.3 this Deed otherwise expressly provides for a Developer Works Cost that is not required to be met by the Developer.

Contribution by Council towards Cost of Developer Works

13.1.4 [Not Used]

14 Development Contribution Credit

Application of clause

14.1 This clause 14 applies if a Development Contribution Credit is specified in Item 11 of the VPA Particulars.

Application of Development Contribution Credit

- 14.2 Pursuant to s7.11(5)(b) of the Act, in consideration of the Developer carrying out the Developer Works and otherwise performing all of its obligations under this Deed, the Section 7.11 Contribution payable by the Developer is to be reduced by the Development Contribution Credit.

15 [Not Used]

Part 3 – Dispute Resolution

16 Dispute Resolution – mediation

Application of clause

- 16.1 This clause 16 applies to any Dispute arising in connection with this Deed other than a dispute to which clause 17 applies.

When Dispute arises

- 16.2 Such a Dispute is taken to arise if one Party gives another Party a notice in writing specifying particulars of the Dispute.

Meeting between Parties

- 16.3 If a notice is given under clause 16.2, the Parties are to meet within 14 days of the notice in an attempt to resolve the Dispute.

Mediation of Dispute

- 16.4 If the Dispute is not resolved within a further 28 days, the Parties are to mediate the Dispute in accordance with the Mediation Rules of the Law Society of New South Wales published from time to time and are to request the President of the Law Society to select a mediator.

Exercise of legal rights

- 16.5 If the Dispute is not resolved by mediation within a further 28 days, or such longer period as may be necessary to allow any mediation process which has been commenced to be completed, then the Parties may exercise their legal rights in relation to the Dispute, including by the commencement of legal proceedings in a court of competent jurisdiction in New South Wales.

Costs

- 16.6 Each Party is to bear its own costs arising from or in connection with the appointment of a mediator and the mediation.

- 16.7 The Parties are to share equally the costs of the President, the mediator, and the mediation.

17 Dispute resolution – expert determination

Application of clause

- 17.1 This clause 17 applies to a Dispute arising in connection with this Deed if:
- 17.1.1 the Parties agree that the Dispute can be appropriately determined by Expert Determination, or
 - 17.1.2 the Chief Executive Officer (or equivalent) of the professional body that represents persons who appear to have the relevant expertise to determine the Dispute gives a written opinion at the joint request of the Parties that the Dispute can be determined by a member of that body.

When Dispute arises

- 17.2 A Dispute to which this clause applies is taken to arise if one Party gives another Party a notice in writing specifying particulars of the Dispute.

Meeting between Parties

- 17.3 If a notice is given under clause 17.2, the Parties are to meet within 14 days of the notice in an attempt to resolve the Dispute.

Expert determination

- 17.4 If the Dispute is not resolved within a further 28 days, the Dispute is to be referred to the President of the NSW Law Society to appoint an expert for expert determination.

Expert determination binding

- 17.5 The expert determination is binding on the Parties except in the case of fraud or misfeasance by the expert.

Costs of Parties

- 17.6 Each Party is to bear its own costs arising from or in connection with the appointment of the expert and the expert determination.

Costs of Expert

- 17.7 The Parties are to share equally the costs of the President, the expert, and the expert determination.

Part 4 - Enforcement

18 General Security

Application of this clause

- 18.1 This clause 18 applies if Item 17.a of the VPA Particulars specifies an amount of General Security.

Composition of General Security

- 18.2 [Not Used]

Provision of General Security

- 18.3 The Developer is to provide the General Security to the Council:
- 18.3.1 before the Developer obtains a Construction Certificate for any part of the Development or before the Developer commences any part of the Developer Works, whichever occurs first, or
 - 18.3.2 at such other time agreed in writing by the Council.

Apportionment of General Security

- 18.4 If agreed in writing by the Council, the General Security may be apportioned to different Stages or different Developer Works, in which case the Developer is to provide the portion of the General Security relating to a particular Stage or particular Developer Works to the Council before the Developer obtains a Construction Certificate for the particular Stage or the Developer commences the particular Developer Works.

Purpose of General Security

- 18.5 The Council is to hold the General Security as security for the Developer performing its obligations under this Deed relating to the Developer Works but not relating to the dedication of Dedication Land.

Indexation of General Security

- 18.6 The Developer is to ensure that the amount of the General Security provided to the Council at any time is indexed in accordance with Item 17.b of the VPA Particulars.

Call-up of General Security

- 18.7 Subject to clause 21.2, if the Developer breaches any its obligations under this Deed relating to the purpose for which the General Security is required to be provided, the Council may, without further notice to the Developer and notwithstanding any other remedy it may have under this Deed, under any Act or otherwise at law or in equity, call-up the General Security, the Defects Liability Security or the Maintenance Security, as appropriate, and apply it to

remedy the Developer's breach and the Council's costs specified in clause 21.5 of so doing.

Release & return of General Security

- 18.8 Subject to clause 18.10, the Council is to release and return the General Security or any unused part of it to the Developer within 14 days of the end of the Defects Liability Period unless the Parties have entered into a written agreement providing for the progressive release of the General Security at times or upon the occurrence of events specified in the agreement.
- 18.9 Despite clause 18.8 but subject to clause 18.10, if the Developer has provided the Council with a portion of the General Security relating to a particular Stage or particular Developer Works, the Council is to release and return the portion or any unused part of it to the Developer within 14 days of issuing a Practical Completion Certificate for all of the Developer Works in the particular Stage or the particular Developer Works.
- 18.10 [Not Used]
- 18.11 [Not Used]
- 18.12 [Not Used]

Replacement General Security

- 18.13 The Developer may provide the Council with a replacement General Security at any time.
- 18.14 On receipt of a replacement General Security, the Council is to release and return the replaced the General Security to the Developer.
- 18.15 If the Council calls-up the General Security or any portion of it, the Council may give the Developer a written notice requiring the Developer to provide a further or replacement General Security to ensure that the amount of General Security held by the Council equals the amount the Council is entitled to hold under this Deed.

Restriction on entering Council land

- 18.16 Despite any other provision of this Deed, the Council, in its absolute discretion, may refuse to allow the Developer to enter, occupy or use any land owned or controlled by the Council or refuse to provide the Developer with any plant, equipment, facilities or assistance relating to the carrying out the Development if the Developer has not provided the General Security to the Council in accordance with this Deed.

19 [Not Used]

20 Acquisition of Dedication Land

Compulsory acquisition of Dedication Land

- 20.1 Subject to clause 20.2 and 21.2, if the Developer does not dedicate the Dedication Land at the time at which it is required to be dedicated, the Developer consents to the Council compulsorily acquiring the land for compensation in the amount of \$1 without having to follow the pre-acquisition procedure under the Just Terms Act.
- 20.2 The Council is to only acquire land pursuant to clause 20.1 if it considers it reasonable to do so having regard to the circumstances surrounding the failure by the Developer to dedicate the land required to be dedicated under this Deed.

Pre-acquisition agreement

- 20.3 Clause 20.1 constitutes an agreement for the purposes of s30 of the Just Terms Act.

Re-imbursement of Council for third party compensation

- 20.4 If, as a result of the acquisition referred to in clause 20.1, the Council is required to pay compensation to any person other than the Developer, the Developer is to reimburse the Council that amount, upon a written request being made by the Council, or the Council can call on the General Security.

Indemnity

- 20.5 The Developer indemnifies and keeps indemnified the Council against all Claims made against the Council as a result of any acquisition by the Council of the whole or any part of the Dedication Land except if, and to the extent that, the Claim arises because of the Council's negligence or default.
- 20.6 The Developer is to promptly do all things necessary, and consents to the Council doing all things necessary, to give effect to this clause 20, including without limitation:
- 20.6.1 signing any documents or forms,
 - 20.6.2 giving land owner's consent for lodgement of any Development Application,
 - 20.6.3 producing certificates of title to the Registrar-General under the *Real Property Act 1900* (NSW), and
 - 20.6.4 paying the Council's costs arising under this clause 20.

21 Breach of obligations

Notice of breach

- 21.1 If the Council reasonably considers that the Developer is in breach of any obligation under this Deed, it may give a written notice to the Developer:
- 21.1.1 specifying the nature and extent of the breach,
 - 21.1.2 requiring the Developer to:
 - (a) Rectify the breach if it reasonably considers it is capable of rectification, or
 - (b) pay compensation to the reasonable satisfaction of the Council in lieu of rectifying the breach if it reasonably considers the breach is not capable of rectification,
 - 21.1.3 specifying the period within which the breach is to be rectified or compensation paid, being a period that is reasonable in the circumstances.

Notice of breach pre-requisite to exercise of rights

- 21.2 The Council may not exercise its rights under clause 18.7 or 20.1 unless it has first given the Developer a notice under clause 21.1 and the Developer has failed to comply with the Notice.

Step-in right relating to Developer Works

- 21.3 If the Developer fails to comply with a notice given under clause 21.1 relating to the provision of Developer Works, the Council may, notwithstanding any other remedy it may have under this Deed, under any Act or otherwise at law or in equity, step-in and remedy the breach and may enter, occupy and use any land owned or controlled by the Developer and any Equipment on such land for that purpose.

Recovery of costs by Council as debt due

- 21.4 Despite any other provision of this Deed, any costs incurred by the Council in remedying a breach of this Deed may be recovered by the Council as a debt due in a court of competent jurisdiction.
- 21.5 For the purpose of clause 21.4, the Council's costs of remedying a breach the subject of a notice given under clause 21.1 include, but are not limited to:
- 21.5.1 the costs of the Council's employees, agents and contractors reasonably incurred for that purpose,
 - 21.5.2 all fees and charges necessarily or reasonably incurred by the Council in remedying the breach, and
 - 21.5.3 all legal costs and expenses reasonably incurred by the Council, by reason of the breach.

Exercise of Council's rights at law or in equity

- 21.6 Nothing in this clause 21 prevents the Council from exercising any rights it may have at law or in equity in relation to a breach of this Deed by the Developer, including but not limited to seeking relief in an appropriate court.

22 Enforcement in a court of competent jurisdiction

- 22.1 Without limiting any other provision of this Deed, the Parties may enforce this Deed in any court of competent jurisdiction.
- 22.2 For the avoidance of doubt, nothing in this Deed prevents:
- 22.2.1 a Party from bringing proceedings in the Land and Environment Court to enforce any aspect of this Deed or any matter to which this Deed relates, or
- 22.2.2 the Council from exercising any function under the Act or any other Act or law relating to the enforcement of any aspect of this Deed or any matter to which this Deed relates.

Part 5 – Registration & Restriction on Dealings

23 Registration of this Deed

Application of clause

- 23.1 This clause 23 applies if Item 20 of the VPA Particulars states that this Deed is to be registered for the purposes of s7.6(1) of the Act.

Documents for registration

- 23.2 Upon the commencement of this Deed, the Developer is to deliver to the Council:
- 23.2.1 an instrument in registrable form requesting registration of this Deed on the title to the Land duly executed by the registered proprietor of the Land, and
- 23.2.2 the written irrevocable consent of the registered proprietor and each person referred to in s7.6(1) of the Act to that registration.
- 23.3 The Developer is to do such other things as are reasonably necessary to enable lodgement and registration of this Deed to occur electronically through PEXA or another ELNO.

Removing notation from title

- 23.4 The Parties are to do such things as are reasonably necessary to remove any notation relating to this Deed from the title to the Land:

- 23.4.1 in so far as the part of the Land concerned is a Final Lot,
- 23.4.2 in relation to any other part of the Land, once the Developer has completed its obligations under this Deed to the reasonable satisfaction of the Council or this Deed is terminated or otherwise comes to an end for any other reason.

24 Restriction on dealings

Restriction

- 24.1 The Developer is not to:
 - 24.1.1 sell or transfer the Land, other than a Final Lot, or
 - 24.1.2 assign the Developer's rights or obligations under this Deed, or novate this Deed,to any person unless:
 - 24.1.3 the Developer has, at no cost to the Council, first procured the execution by the person to whom the Land or part is to be sold or transferred or the Developer's rights or obligations under this Deed are to be assigned or novated, of a deed in favour of the Council on terms reasonably satisfactory to the Council, and
 - 24.1.4 the Council has given written notice to the Developer stating that it reasonably considers that the purchaser, transferee, assignee or novatee, is reasonably capable of performing its obligations under this Deed, and
 - 24.1.5 the Developer is not in breach of this Deed, and
 - 24.1.6 the Council otherwise consents to the transfer, assignment or novation, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld.

Continued performance of obligations by Developer

- 24.2 Subject to clause 24.3, the Developer acknowledges and agrees that it remains liable to fully perform its obligations under this Deed unless and until it has complied with its obligations under clause 24.1.

Exclusion from restriction

- 24.3 Clause 24.1 does not apply in relation to any sale or transfer of the Land if this Deed is registered on the title to the Land at the time of the sale.

Part 6 – Indemnities & Insurance

25 Risk

- 25.1 The Developer performs this Deed at its own risk and its own cost.

26 Release

- 26.1 The Developer releases the Council from any Claim it may have against the Council arising in connection with the performance of the Developer's obligations under this Deed except if, and to the extent that, the Claim arises because of the Council's negligence or default.

27 Indemnity

- 27.1 The Developer indemnifies the Council from and against all Claims that may be sustained, suffered, recovered or made against the Council arising in connection with the performance of the Developer's obligations under this Deed except if, and to the extent that, the Claim arises because of the Council's negligence or default.

28 Insurance

Requirement for Developer insurances

- 28.1 The Developer is to take out and keep current to the satisfaction of the Council the Insurances in relation to the Developer Works until the Developer Works are completed in accordance with this Deed.

Failure to comply with requirement

- 28.2 If the Developer fails to comply with clause 28.1, the Council may effect and keep in force such insurances and pay such premiums as may be necessary for that purpose and the amount so paid shall be a debt due from the Developer to the Council and may be recovered by the Council as it deems appropriate including:
- 28.2.1 by calling upon the General Security provided by the Developer to the Council under this Deed, or
- 28.2.2 recovery as a debt due in a court of competent jurisdiction.
- 28.3 The Developer is not to commence to provide any Developer Works unless it has first provided to the Council satisfactory written evidence of all of the insurances specified in clause 28.1.

Part 7 – Other Provisions

29 Annual report by Developer

Requirement for Developer to provide report

- 29.1 The Developer is to provide to the Council by not later than each anniversary of the date on which this Deed commences a report ('**Annual Performance**

Report') detailing the performance of its obligations under this Deed in the previous 12 month period ('**Reporting Period**').

Form and content of report

- 29.2 The Annual Performance Report is to be in such a form and to address such matters as is reasonably required by the Council from time to time but must at a minimum detail the following:
- 29.2.1 all Approved Persons during the Reporting Period and any changes to Approved Persons during that period,
 - 29.2.2 all Development Contributions made by the Developer pursuant to this Deed during the Reporting Period and the dates on which the contributions were made,
 - 29.2.3 all Development Contributions due to be made by the Developer pursuant to this Deed in the next 12 month period,
 - 29.2.4 all Developers Works that had been commenced prior to the Reporting Period or were commenced during the Reporting Period but were not completed in that period,
 - 29.2.5 all Developers Works due to be commenced or completed within the next 12 month period,
 - 29.2.6 all Securities provided by the Developer to the Council under this Deed and held by the Council during the Reporting Period and the current value of each such Security.

Strict requirement

- 29.3 The Developer acknowledges and agrees that the provision of the Annual Performance Report each year in accordance with this clause 29 is a strict requirement of this Deed.

30 Review of Deed

Obligation to review Deed

- 30.1 The Parties agree to review this Deed by the end of each Review Period, and otherwise if either Party is of the opinion that any change of circumstance has occurred, or is imminent, that materially affects the operation of this Deed.

Review triggers

- 30.2 For the purposes of clause 30.1, the relevant changes include (but are not limited to) any change to a law that restricts or prohibits or enables the Council or any other planning authority to restrict or prohibit any aspect of the Development.

Duty of Parties

- 30.3 For the purposes of addressing any matter arising from a review of this Deed referred to in clause 30.1, the Parties are to use all reasonable endeavours to agree on and implement appropriate amendments to this Deed.

Where change of law occurs

- 30.4 If this Deed becomes illegal, unenforceable or invalid as a result of any change to a law, the Parties agree to do all things necessary to ensure that an enforceable agreement of the same or similar effect to this Deed is entered into.

No Dispute

- 30.5 A failure by a Party to agree to take action requested by the other Party as a consequence of a review referred to in clause 30.1 (but not 30.4) is not a Dispute for the purposes of this Deed and is not a breach of this Deed.

31 Notices

- 31.1 Any notice, consent, information, application or request that is to or may be given or made to a Party under this Deed is only given or made if it is in writing and sent in one of the following ways:
- 31.1.1 delivered or posted to that Party at its address set out in Item 22 or 23 of the VPA Particulars, or
 - 31.1.2 emailed to that Party at its email address set out in Item 22 or 23 of the VPA Particulars.
- 31.2 If a Party gives the other Party 3 business days' notice of a change of its address or email, any notice, consent, information, application or request is only given or made by that other Party if it is delivered, posted or emailed to the latest address.
- 31.3 Any notice, consent, information, application or request is to be treated as given or made if it is:
- 31.3.1 delivered, when it is left at the relevant address,
 - 31.3.2 sent by post, 2 business days after it is posted, or
 - 31.3.3 sent by email and the sender does not receive a delivery failure message from the sender's internet service provider within a period of 24 hours of the email being sent.
- 31.4 If any notice, consent, information, application or request is delivered, or an error free transmission report in relation to it is received, on a day that is not a business day, or if on a business day, after 5pm on that day in the place of the Party to whom it is sent, it is to be treated as having been given or made at the beginning of the next business day.

32 Approvals and Consent

- 32.1 Except as otherwise set out in this Deed, and subject to any statutory obligations, a Party may give or withhold an approval or consent to be given under this Deed in that Party's absolute discretion and subject to any conditions determined by the Party.
- 32.2 A Party is not obliged to give its reasons for giving or withholding consent or for giving consent subject to conditions.

33 Costs of this Deed

Costs of Deed

- 33.1 The Developer is to pay to the Council the Council's costs not exceeding the amount specified in Item 25 of the VPA Particulars in relation to preparing, negotiating, executing and stamping this Deed, and any document related to this Deed within 7 days of a written demand by the Council for such payment.

Enforcement costs

- 33.2 The Council may serve a notice in writing on the Developer (**'Enforcement Cost Notice'**) requiring the Developer to pay all or any reasonable costs and expenses incurred by the Council in connection with:
 - 33.2.1 investigating a non-compliance by the Developer with this Deed, and
 - 33.2.2 enforcing compliance by the Developer with this Deed.
- 33.3 For the avoidance of doubt, the costs and expenses referred to in clause 33.2 may include the costs or expenses incurred by the Council relating to the preparation or serving of the Enforcement Cost Notice.
- 33.4 An Enforcement Cost Notice is to specify the amount required to be paid to the Council by the Developer and the date by which the amount is to be paid.
- 33.5 The Council may recover any unpaid costs and expenses specified in an Enforcement Cost Notice as a debt in a court of competent jurisdiction.

No dispute

- 33.6 Part 3 of this Deed does not apply anything done by the Council and any requirement imposed on the Developer by the Council in accordance with this clause 33.

34 Entire Deed

- 34.1 This Deed contains everything to which the Parties have agreed in relation to the matters it deals with.
- 34.2 No Party can rely on an earlier document, or anything said or done by another Party, or by a director, officer, agent or employee of that Party, before this Deed was executed, except as permitted by law.

35 Further Acts

- 35.1 Each Party must promptly execute all documents and do all things that another Party from time to time reasonably requests to effect, perfect or complete this Deed and all transactions incidental to it.

36 Governing Law and Jurisdiction

- 36.1 This Deed is governed by the law of New South Wales.
- 36.2 The Parties submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of its courts and courts of appeal from them.
- 36.3 The Parties are not to object to the exercise of jurisdiction by those courts on any basis.

37 Joint and Individual Liability and Benefits

- 37.1 Except as otherwise set out in this Deed:
- 37.1.1 any agreement, covenant, representation or warranty under this Deed by 2 or more persons binds them jointly and each of them individually, and
- 37.1.2 any benefit in favour of 2 or more persons is for the benefit of them jointly and each of them individually.

38 No Fetter

- 38.1 Nothing in this Deed shall be construed as requiring Council to do anything that would cause it to be in breach of any of its obligations at law, and without limitation, nothing shall be construed as limiting or fettering in any way the exercise of any statutory discretion or duty.

39 Illegality

- 39.1 If this Deed or any part of it becomes illegal, unenforceable or invalid as a result of any change to a law, the Parties are to co-operate and do all things necessary to ensure that an enforceable agreement of the same or similar effect to this Deed is entered into.

40 Severability

- 40.1 If a clause or part of a clause of this Deed can be read in a way that makes it illegal, unenforceable or invalid, but can also be read in a way that makes it legal, enforceable and valid, it must be read in the latter way.

- 40.2 If any clause or part of a clause is illegal, unenforceable or invalid, that clause or part is to be treated as removed from this Deed, but the rest of this Deed is not affected.

41 Amendment

- 41.1 No amendment of this Deed will be of any force or effect unless it is in writing and signed by the Parties to this Deed in accordance with section 203 of the Regulation.

42 Waiver

- 42.1 The fact that a Party fails to do, or delays in doing, something the Party is entitled to do under this Deed, does not amount to a waiver of any obligation of, or breach of obligation by, another Party.
- 42.2 A waiver by a Party is only effective if it:
- 42.2.1 is in writing,
 - 42.2.2 is addressed to the Party whose obligation or breach of obligation is the subject of the waiver,
 - 42.2.3 specifies the obligation or breach of obligation the subject of the waiver and the conditions, if any, of the waiver,
 - 42.2.4 is signed and dated by the Party giving the waiver.
- 42.3 Without limitation, a waiver may be expressed to be conditional on the happening of an event, including the doing of a thing by the Party to whom the waiver is given.
- 42.4 A waiver by a Party is only effective in relation to the particular obligation or breach in respect of which it is given, and is not to be taken as an implied waiver of any other obligation or breach or as an implied waiver of that obligation or breach in relation to any other occasion.
- 42.5 For the purposes of this Deed, an obligation or breach of obligation the subject of a waiver is taken not to have been imposed on, or required to be complied with by, the Party to whom the waiver is given.

43 GST

- 43.1 In this clause:
- Adjustment Note, Consideration, GST, GST Group, Margin Scheme, Money, Supply and Tax Invoice** have the meaning given by the GST Law.
- GST Amount** means in relation to a Taxable Supply the amount of GST payable in respect of the Taxable Supply.
- GST Law** has the meaning given by the *A New Tax System (Goods and Services Tax) Act 1999* (Cth).

Input Tax Credit has the meaning given by the GST Law and a reference to an Input Tax Credit entitlement of a party includes an Input Tax Credit for an acquisition made by that party but to which another member of the same GST Group is entitled under the GST Law.

Taxable Supply has the meaning given by the GST Law excluding (except where expressly agreed otherwise) a supply in respect of which the supplier chooses to apply the Margin Scheme in working out the amount of GST on that supply.

- 43.2 Subject to clause 43.4, if GST is payable on a Taxable Supply made under, by reference to or in connection with this Deed, the Party providing the Consideration for that Taxable Supply must also pay the GST Amount as additional Consideration.
- 43.3 Clause 43.2 does not apply to the extent that the Consideration for the Taxable Supply is expressly stated in this Deed to be GST inclusive.
- 43.4 No additional amount shall be payable by the Council under clause 43.2 unless, and only to the extent that, the Council (acting reasonably and in accordance with the GST Law) determines that it is entitled to an Input Tax Credit for its acquisition of the Taxable Supply giving rise to the liability to pay GST.
- 43.5 If there are Supplies for Consideration which is not Consideration expressed as an amount of Money under this Deed by one Party to the other Party that are not subject to Division 82 of the *A New Tax System (Goods and Services Tax) Act 1999*, the Parties agree:
 - 43.5.1 to negotiate in good faith to agree the GST inclusive market value of those Supplies prior to issuing Tax Invoices in respect of those Supplies;
 - 43.5.2 that any amounts payable by the Parties in accordance with clause 43.2 (as limited by clause 43.4) to each other in respect of those Supplies will be set off against each other to the extent that they are equivalent in amount.
- 43.6 No payment of any amount pursuant to this clause 43, and no payment of the GST Amount where the Consideration for the Taxable Supply is expressly agreed to be GST inclusive, is required until the supplier has provided a Tax Invoice or Adjustment Note as the case may be to the recipient.
- 43.7 Any reference in the calculation of Consideration or of any indemnity, reimbursement or similar amount to a cost, expense or other liability incurred by a party, must exclude the amount of any Input Tax Credit entitlement of that party in relation to the relevant cost, expense or other liability.
- 43.8 This clause continues to apply after expiration or termination of this Deed.

44 Explanatory Note

- 44.1 The Appendix contains the Explanatory Note relating to this Deed required by section 205 of the Regulation.
- 44.2 Pursuant to section 205 of the Regulation, the Parties agree that the Explanatory Note is not to be used to assist in construing this Deed.

Schedule 1: VPA Particulars

(Clause 1.1)

Item	Details
1. Land	The land owned by the Developer to which the Development Application relates.
2. Development	Development the subject of the Development Application being the subdivision of the Land into 35 residential lots and 1 additional lot comprising the Environmental Land.
3. Instrument Change	The change to <i>Maitland Local Environmental Plan 2011</i> proposed by Planning Proposal PP 2022-1301 relating to the Development Land to permit the Development on that land.
4. Application: a. Development Application b. Modification Application	DA 2019/682 lodged with Council by the Developer on 9 August 2019. N/A
5. Applicable Development Consent	The Development Consent granted to the Development Application as modified from time to time.
6. Applicable Plan: a. Applicable Contributions Plan b. Applicable DSP	<i>Thornton North Section 94 Contributions Plan 2008</i> , Version 3, adopted by the Council on 12 April 2016. N/A
7. Application of the following provisions of the Act to the Development: a. Section 7.11 b. Consideration of benefits c. Section 7.12 d. Subdivision 4 of Division 7.1	Not excluded Not to be considered Not excluded Not excluded



8. Council Land Dedication Contribution Amount	N/A
9. Developer Works Agreed Cost	The higher of \$900,000.00 or the amount determined by a suitably qualified and experienced quantity surveyor who is independent of and at arms length from the Parties and whose appointment is agreed in writing between the Parties.
10. [NOT USED]	N/A
11. Development Contribution Credit	50% of the Developer Works Agreed Cost
12. [NOT USED]	N/A
13. Practical Completion Date	Prior to the issue of any subdivision certificate.
14. Defects Liability Period	12 months from the transfer of the completed Developer Works to Council in accordance with this Deed.
15. [NOT USED]	N/A
16. [NOT USED]	N/A
17. General Security: a. General Security b. Indexation of General Security	 \$450,000.00 Annual movements in the <i>Producer Price Index (Output of the Construction Industries, Building Construction New South Wales)</i> published by the Australian Bureau of Statistics
18. [NOT USED]	N/A
19. [NOT USED]	N/A
20. Registration of this Deed	Yes
21. Insurances a. Contract Works Insurance b. Public Liability	 For the full replacement value of the Works (including the cost of demolition and removal of debris, consultants' fees and authorities' fees), to cover the Developer's liability in respect of damage to or destruction of the Works. For at least \$20,000,000.00 for a single occurrence, which covers the Council, the Developer and any subcontractor of the Developer, for liability to any third party.

c. Professional Indemnity Insurance	N/A
d. Workers Compensation Insurance	As required by law.
e. Other insurance	As required by law.
22. Council Contact for Notices	Postal Address: The General Manager, Maitland City Council PO Box 220 Maitland NSW 2320 Email: melissa.harvey@maitland.nsw.gov.au Telephone: 0249 349817 Representative: Melissa Harvey
23. Developer Contact for Notices	Postal Address: Landlink Unit 8 41-47 Newcomen House, Newcomen street, Newcastle 2300 Email: alicia@landlinkproperty.com.au Telephone: 0412 692 592 Representative: Alicia Compton
24. Review Period	Each period of every 6 months commencing on the grant of consent to the Development Application.
25. Costs of Deed	\$15,000.00

Schedule 2: Development Contributions Table

COLUMN 1 Item No / Details	COLUMN 2 Public Purpose	COLUMN 3 Timing	COLUMN 4 Contribution Value \$
A. Monetary Contributions			
Nil	N/A	N/A	N/A
B. Dedication Land			
Dedication of the Environmental Land to the Council in accordance with this Deed free of cost to the Council	Publicly accessible biodiversity corridor.	Prior to the issuing of any Subdivision Certificate	N/A
C. Developer Works			
Construction of car parking and a connecting public footpath on the Council Land in the location shown on the Developer Works Location Plan contained in Schedule 4 and in accordance with the Developer Works Plans and Drawings contained in Schedule 5 and transfer of the completed Developer Works to Council in accordance with this Deed	Public car parking and a public footpath.	Prior to the issuing of any Subdivision Certificate	N/A
D. Other material public benefits			
Nil	N/A	N/A	N/A

Schedule 3: Dedication Land Plan



Schedule 4: Developer Works Location Plan



Schedule 6: Developer Works Provisions

Deed not Construction Contract

- 1 The Parties acknowledge and agree that this Deed is not a Construction Contract between the Council and the Developer.

Developer Works before execution of Deed

- 2 This Deed applies to any Developer Works that occurred before the Deed was executed.

Approved persons

- 3 The Developer is to construct, supervise, and test the Developer Works using Approved Persons.
- 4 Where the Developer proposes to substitute or add an Approved Person, the Developer must notify the Council in writing, and provide details of the new Approved Person who is to be engaged from in relation to the Developer Works.
- 5 The Council may, in its reasonable discretion, notify the Developer that a new Approved Person notified under clause 4 is not to be engaged in relation to the Developer Works, and the Developer must promptly take such action as is necessary to ensure that the person does not continue to be engaged in relation to the Developer Works.

Developer to procure compliance

- 6 The Developer is to provide every Approved Person engaged by it in relation to the Developer Works with a copy of this Deed executed by both Parties and procure their compliance with the relevant requirements of this Deed.

Requirement for Construction Contract

- 7 The Developer must enter into a Construction Contract with its Contractor for the construction of the Developer Works before any construction work occurs.
- 8 The Developer must provide the Council with a copy of the Construction Contract upon receipt of a written request by the Council.
- 9 The Developer must obtain the approval of the Council to any change to the Contractor, which approval the Council may not unreasonably withhold.

General obligations relating to Developer Works

- 10 The Developer is to provide the Developer Works:
 - 10.1 in the location or locations shown on the Developer Works Location Plan,
 - 10.2 in accordance with the Developer Works Plans and Drawings,
 - 10.3 by the Practical Completion Date, and
 - 10.4 otherwise in accordance with this Deed.

- 11 The Developer is to provide and complete the Developer Works in a good and workmanlike manner having regard to the intended purpose of the Developer Works and in accordance with:
 - 11.1 all applicable laws,
 - 11.2 any Approval required by any law relating to the provision of the Developer Works, and
 - 11.3 the lawful requirements of any Authority.
- 12 The Developer is to ensure that anything necessary for the proper performance of its obligations under this Deed relating to the provision of the Developer Works is supplied or made available for that purpose.

Warranties relating to Developer Works

- 13 The Developer warrants to the Council that:
 - 13.1 it has complied with all laws and applicable industry standards in relation to the Developer Works,
 - 13.2 it accepts that, if any aspect of the Developer Works do not comply this Deed, the Council is entitled to require the Developer to cease the Developer Works and to pursue its rights and remedies relating to the non-compliance under this Deed and, subject to this Deed, at law or in equity,
 - 13.3 only Approved Persons are to be engaged in relation to the Developer Works.
- 14 The Council is to procure for its own purposes and from its own contractors any warranty reasonably required by the Council relating to the design or certification of the Developer Works.

Ownership & care of Developer Works

- 15 The Developer owns, and is responsible for care of the Developer Works, and bears all risk and liability in connection with the Developer Works (other than to the extent any risk or liability arises due to the act or omission of Council), until the Council gives the Developer a Transfer of Ownership Notice in relation to the Developer Works.

Work health & safety

- 16 The Developer acknowledges that it is the Principal Contractor under WHS Law for the Developer Works from the time it has exclusive possession of the workplace relating to the Developer Works to until such time that:
 - 16.1 the Developer engages the Contractor to construct the Developer Works, or
 - 16.2 engages another person to be the Principal Contractor for the Developer Works,and authorises the person to have management or control of the workplace relating to the Developer Works and to discharge the duties of a Principal Contractor under WHS Law.
- 17 For the purpose of the Developer's compliance with its obligations under clause 16, the Council:

- 17.1 acknowledges that the Developer (or the Contractor, where appropriate) is the person with management and control of the relevant works area for the purpose of Part 2 of the *Work Health and Safety Act 2011* (NSW); and
- 17.2 authorises the Developer (or the Contractor, where appropriate) to exercise authority of the Council necessary to enable the Developer to discharge its obligations under clause 16.
- 18 If the Developer at any time terminates the engagement of the Contractor, or terminates its authority for the Contractor or other person referred to in clause 16 to be the Principal Contractor for the Developer Works, the Developer becomes the Principal Contractor until such time as a new person is appointed as Contractor or to otherwise be the Principal Contractor for the Developer Works.
- 19 The Developer must require under the Construction Contract that all persons involved in the Developer Works comply with relevant WHS Law and procedures, including but not limited to:
 - 19.1 following published government and industry WHS guidelines,
 - 19.2 providing WHS induction training,
 - 19.3 keeping and regularly updating WHS records,
 - 19.4 preparing and maintaining an WHS management plan,
 - 19.5 preparing a Project Safety Plan that details safety strategies, including how persons must act to comply with WHS Law,
 - 19.6 providing safe work method statements for all tasks and ensuring they are complied with,
 - 19.7 directing staff to take corrective action or stop work if they are not complying with the method statements or WHS Law,
 - 19.8 identifying hazards and assessing risks using due diligence,
 - 19.9 eliminating or controlling risks in line with WorkCover requirements using due diligence,
 - 19.10 reviewing risk assessments and controlling measures,
 - 19.11 providing information to employers and contractors about WHS,
 - 19.12 documenting site-specific safety procedures.
- 20 The Developer is to use its best endeavours to ensure that:
 - 20.1 the Council can audit, inspect and test the Developer Works without breaching WHS Law, and
 - 20.2 the Council can access and use the Developer Works without breaching WHS Law.
- 21 The Developer is to promptly inform the Council of any incident occurring in relation to the Developer Works where a person is injured or otherwise exposed to a risk to his or her health or safety, including, but not limited to, an incident which is required to be reported to WorkCover.

Accidents & dangerous occurrences

- 22 The Developer is to notify WorkCover and the Council, as soon as it becomes aware of any serious accident or dangerous occurrence relating to the Developer Works.

- 23 Within a further 7 days, the Developer must formally notify or procure the notification of WorkCover of the accident or occurrence in accordance with the WHS Law, using any prescribed form.
- 24 The Developer must give to the Council a copy of all information and documents that have been provided to WorkCover relating to the accident or occurrence.
- 25 The Developer must also give to the Council, if requested by the Council, a written report relating to the accident or occurrence in the form specified by the Council.
- 26 The Developer must cooperate with WorkCover and the Council if the accident or occurrence is investigated by Work Cover or the Council.
- 27 The Developer must immediately give the Council a copy of any improvement or prohibition notices that WorkCover issues in relation to the Developer Works.

Design of Developer Works

- 28 Clauses 28 - 36 apply if and to the extent that Schedule 5 does not contain Developer Works Plans and Drawings for the Developer Works or any part.
- 29 The Developer may not commence construction of the Developer Works unless the Developer Works are designed and approved in accordance with this Deed.
- 30 The Council is to design, obtain Approval for and certify the Developer Works at its cost.
- 31 The final design of the Developer Works is to be approved by the parties, acting reasonably as soon as reasonably practicable and in any event prior to entry into the Construction Contract.
- 32 Council must, as soon as reasonably practicable, prepare its proposed plans and drawings of the Developer Works and provide them to the Developer.
 - 32.1
- 33 The Developer and Council will liaise in good faith in respect of the proposed plans and drawings for the Developer Works and will use their reasonable endeavours acting in good faith and cooperatively to agree on any changes to the plans and drawings.
- 34 Each party is to inform the other party in writing when it approves the plans and drawings of the Developer Works.
- 35 The Parties are to ensure that the reference to the plans and drawings approved by the the parties under are included in Schedule 5 without delay after that approval is given.
- 36 The Developer is not to make any application for any Approval relating to the Developer Works. As soon as reasonably practicable after the Council approves the plans and drawings of the Developer Works under this Deed it must obtain all necessary Approvals for the Developer Works.

Variations to approved Developer Works & Costs

- 37 The Developer Works may be varied by agreement in writing between the Parties, acting reasonably, without the necessity for an amendment to this Deed.

- 38 The Party seeking the variation is to make a written request to the other Party accompanied by such information and supporting documents as is reasonably necessary to enable the other Party to properly consider the request.
- 39 The Party to whom the request is made is not to unreasonably delay, or withhold its Approval to, the request.
- 40 The Party who seeks the variation of the Developer Works must meet the costs of the variation, unless the other Party otherwise agrees.

Developer's obligations before construction commencement

- 41 Not less than 10 business days before the Developer commences construction of any of the Developer Works specified in Part C of Schedule 2 of this Deed, the Developer is to give the Council written notice of its intention to do so accompanied by:
 - 41.1 a copy of all approved plans and drawings for the Developer Works so specified in electronic and paper format, and
 - 41.2 a list of all Approved Persons and their contact details.
- 42 The Developer is to organise and conduct a pre-start meeting with Council personnel before starting the construction of a Developer Work specified in Part C of Schedule 2 of this Deed.

Protection of people, property & utilities

- 43 The Developer is to use all reasonable endeavours to ensure that, in providing the Developer Works:
 - 43.1 all necessary measures are taken to protect people and property,
 - 43.2 unnecessary interference with the passage of people and vehicles is avoided, and
 - 43.3 nuisances and unreasonable noise and disturbances are prevented.
- 44 Except to the extent necessarily required by the Developer Works, the Developer is not to obstruct, interfere with, impair or damage any public road, public footpath, public cycleway or other public thoroughfare, or any pipe, conduit, drain, watercourse or other public utility or service on any land in connection with the Developer Works unless authorised in writing by the Council or any relevant Authority.

Damage to assets & property

- 45 The Developer must immediately notify the Council in writing of any loss or damage that occurs in respect of a Council asset of which it becomes aware while performing the Developer Works.
- 46 The Developer must replace or fix any Council asset the Developer loses or damages while performing the Developer Works in accordance with any reasonable requirements of the Council.
- 47 If an audit, inspection or test of the Developer Works shows that:
 - 47.1 the Developer Works do not conform to the location, design, specifications, materials or finishes of the plans and drawings approved pursuant to this Deed, or

47.2 damage has occurred to a Council asset or the property of another person in connection with the Developer Works,

the Council may give the Developer a notice in writing requiring it to take corrective action to bring the Developer Works into conformity or repair the damage, to the extent caused or contributed to by the Developer, as the case requires.

48 Without limiting any other remedies available to the Council under this Deed, if the Developer does not comply with the Council's requirements under clauses 47-52, the Council may take the action required of the Developer and recover the Council's costs of so doing from the Developer.

Entry onto Land

49 The Developer is responsible for obtaining all necessary rights to lawfully enter, occupy, and provide the Developer Works on Other Land.

50 The Council is to allow the Developer and the Approved Persons, at no cost, to enter, occupy, and use Council owned or controlled land at any reasonable time if the occupation or use of the land by the Developer and the Approved Persons is reasonably necessary for the Developer Works.

51 Upon receiving reasonable prior notice from the Council, the Developer is to provide the Council with safe and unhindered access at any reasonable time to any land on which the Developer Works are being, or have been, provided.

52 The Council must comply with the Developer's reasonable safety requirements while on any land on which the Developer Works are being provided.

Audit, inspection, testing of Developer Works

53 The Council may undertake an audit, inspection or test of the Developer Works at any reasonable time for any purpose related to this Deed upon giving reasonable prior notice to the Developer.

54 The Developer is to provide the Council with any assistance that is reasonably required by the Council to enable the Council to undertake any audit, inspection or test of the Developer Works.

55 If an audit, inspection or test reasonably shows that particular action must be taken in relation to the Developer Works, the Developer is to:

55.1 take the action in the manner, and within the time, the Council reasonably requires, and

55.2 provide evidence to the Council that the action has been taken.

56 If an audit, inspection or test shows that the Developer Works have not been provided in accordance with this Deed, the Developer is to pay any Costs incurred by the Council in connection with the audit, inspection or test.

57 If the Council reasonably decides that a further and more detailed audit, inspection or test of the Developer Works is required, the Council may determine an approved fee in that regard and the Developer is to pay to the Council the fee so approved.

Access to information & records

58 The Council may make a written request to the Developer:

- 58.1 to provide information to the Council concerning the Developer Works,
 - 58.2 to allow the Council to inspect the Developer's records concerning the Developer Works, including by giving the Council access to premises owned, occupied or controlled by the Developer for that purpose.
- 59 The Developer is to comply with any such request made by the Council not later than 15 business days after the Council makes the request.

Practical Completion of Developer Works

- 60 The Developer is to use all reasonable endeavours to ensure that the whole of the Developer Works is the subject of one or more Practical Completion Certificates by not later than the Practical Completion Date.
- 61 The Developer may make a written request ('**Developer's Request**') to the Council to issue a Practical Completion Certificate for the Developer Works or any part of the Developer Works by not later than the Practical Completion Date or such later date agreed in writing between the Parties.
- 62 The Developer's Request is to be accompanied by the following information:
- 62.1 a Works-as-Executed Plan of the Developer's Works to which the Developer's Request relates, and
 - 62.2 all technical data relating to those Works, including but not limited to, geotechnical testing, structural certificates, CCTV footage and material certifications, to the extent held by the Developer.
- 63 Upon receipt of the Developer's Request, the Council is to inspect the relevant Developer Works in the presence of a representative of the Developer at a time reasonably agreed between the Parties that is not later than 14 days after the Council receives the request.
- 64 As a precondition to issuing a Practical Completion Certificate, the Council may direct the Developer in writing to complete, Rectify or repair any specified part of the Developer Works the subject of the Developer's Request within a period specified in the direction in order to bring the Developer Works into conformity with this Deed or any Approval.
- 65 The Developer is to promptly comply with any such direction given by the Council.
- 66 The Council may undertake more than one inspection and issue more than one direction to the Developer in order to be satisfied that a Practical Completion Certificate may be issued for the Developer Works the subject of the Developer's Request.
- 67 The Council is to promptly issue a Practical Completion Certificate for the Developer Works the subject of the Developer's Request when it is reasonably satisfied that no aspect of the relevant Developer Works reasonably requires completion, rectification or repair.

Maintenance of Developer Works

- 68 [Not used]

Rectification of Defects

- 69 The Council may, acting reasonably, give the Developer a Rectification Notice during the Defects Liability Period.
- 70 The Developer is to comply with a Rectification Notice according to the terms of the Rectification Notice and to the reasonable satisfaction of the Council.
- 71 The Council is to do such things as are reasonably necessary to enable the Developer to comply with a Rectification Notice given by the Council.

Copyright in Works-As-Executed Plan

- 72 To the extent the Developer is the copyright owner in the Works-As-Executed Plan, the Developer assigns the copyright in the Works-As-Executed Plan to the Council free of Cost to the Council.

Transfer of Ownership of Developer Works

- 73 At any time after the Council issues a Practical Completion Certificate for Developer Works to the Developer, the Council may issue a Transfer of Ownership Notice to the Developer for those Developer Works.
- 74 The Developer Works the subject of a Transfer of Ownership Notice vest in the Council on the vesting date stated in the Transfer of Ownership Notice.

Removal of structures & Equipment

- 75 When providing the Developer Works on any Council owned or controlled land is completed for the purposes of this Deed, the Developer, without delay, is to:
 - 75.1 remove from the land any structure not comprising or required in connection with the completed Developer Works and make good any damage or disturbance to the land as a result of that removal,
 - 75.2 remove from the land any Equipment and make good any damage or disturbance to the land as a result of that removal, and
 - 75.3 leave the land in a neat and tidy state, clean and free of rubbish.
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Execution

Executed as a Deed

Dated: 4 May 2026

Executed by the COUNCIL:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'J. Lee'.

General Manager

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'Linda McLaren'.

Witness

Linda McLaren

Name

Executed by the Developer in accordance with s127(1) of the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth)

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Director

DARREN TURNER

Name

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Director / Secretary

Name

Appendix: Explanatory Note

(Clause 44)

Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021

(Section 205)

Planning Agreement

Under s7.4 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*

Parties

Council	Maitland City Council ABN 11 596 310 805 of 263 High Street, Maitland NSW 2320
Developer	Thornton Brentwood Pty Ltd ACN 622 242 497 Unit 8, 41-46 Newcomen Street, Newcastle NSW 2300 atf Thornton Brentwood Unit Trust
Landowner	Maitland City Council ABN 11 596 310 805 of 263 High Street, Maitland NSW 2320

Description of the Land to which the Planning Agreement Applies

Lot 848 DP 703278 John Arthur Avenue Thornton – Maitland Council
Lot 1094 DP 807086 52 Thomas Coke Drive Thornton - Maitland Council
Lot 8884 DP 786883 Government Road Thornton - Maitland Council
Lot 1538 DP 832922 Thomas Coke Drive Thornton - Maitland Council

Description of Proposed Development/Instrument Change

The Planning Proposal to which the Planning Agreement relates is PP2022-130 for the reclassification of Community Land (listed below) to Operational Land for the purpose of legal and practical access to an intended residential subdivision.

- Lot 848 of DP 703278 (John Arthur Ave),
- Part Lot 1538 of DP 832922

- Part Lot 8884 DP 786883 (Thomas Coke Drive)

The proposal includes the following more specifically:

- The developer is responsible for the construction of a 114 space car park designed by Council, including footpaths in accordance with Council's Manual of Engineering Standards.
- Dedication of the developer's residue land zoned C3 to Council to form part of a Sub-Regional Biodiversity Corridor within Council's Environmental Sustainability Strategy

Description of Development Contributions

The development contributions required to be provided by the Developer to the Council under the VPA comprise the construction of a, public footpath and public car parking as detailed in Schedule 2 to the VPA.

Summary of Objectives, Nature and Effect of the Planning Agreement

Objectives of Planning Agreement

The intended outcome of the VPA is to provide improved car parking associated with the existing sporting fields, providing pedestrian access from the car park to the existing footpath leading to the sporting fields improving the accessibility and safety of users of the facility.

Dedication of the Environmental Land to Council will provide protection of a sub-regional biodiversity corridor and public access to open space. The conditions associated with the works are to be undertaken on the land in accordance with the Vegetation Management Plan condition in the Development Application for the residential subdivision DA 2019/682.

Nature of Planning Agreement

This Planning Agreement is an agreement between the two parties which creates obligations by the Developer with the intent of achieving the objectives of the agreement in providing community benefit.

Effect of the Planning Agreement

To legally bind both parties to the performance of their respective obligations conferred under this Agreement.

Assessment of the Merits of the Planning Agreement

The Planning Purposes Served by the Planning Agreement

The Planning Agreement supports the objectives of the Maitland +10 Community Strategic Plan to ensure that Council delivers on the economic sustainability of the LGA by way of

provision of additional housing that is consistent with the long-term strategic planning as well as providing safe carparking and access to adjoining public recreation facilities.

The Local Strategic Planning Statement provides the broad direction for future urban growth in the Maitland LGA. The Statement aims to provide both flexibility and certainty by maintaining a generous supply of land for residential growth on several development fronts throughout the Maitland LGA. The subject development is located within the Thornton North Urban Release Area and contributes to the overall land development program for the LGA. By facilitating the reclassification in the planning proposal and entering into the Planning Agreement practical and legal access to the site and the adjoining highly used public recreation facilities will be provided.

How the Planning Agreement Promotes the Public Interest

The Planning Agreement facilitates the provision of capital works which will benefit the local and wider community providing formed access for vehicles and pedestrians and parking for a high use public recreation area. It supports the orderly and economic use of the subject site taking into consideration the community's interests and residential amenity in keeping with the character of surrounding Development.

Assessment of the positive or negative impact of the Planning Agreement on the public or relevant section of the public

The positive outcomes for the public include formed car parking and pedestrian linkage to the Allan and Don Lawrence Fields.

Whether the Planning Agreement Conforms with the Planning Authority's Capital Works Program

The works proposed by the Planning Agreement are outside the scope of Council's current Capital Works Program, however, the works have been necessitated by the development. The Developer will be responsible for the construction of the car park and associated footpath. A 50% offset of development contributions applicable to DA 2019/682 will be offset on the cost of works as Council's contribution. The provision of the works aligns with Council's strategic objectives for the Thornton North Urban Release Area and are considered to conform with the intent of Council's Capital Works Program and the growth of the suburb by providing safe access

Whether the Planning Agreement specifies that certain requirements must be complied with before a construction certificate, occupation certificate or subdivision certificate is issued

Works are to be completed prior to the issue of the Subdivision Certificates for the development.