

o-EP7 Planning Proposal to Amend Schedule 1 of Wingecarribee Local Environmental Plan 2010 to Permit a Dwelling House on Lot 3 DP 1014433, 76 Drapers Creek Road, Colo Vale

Environment

Reference:5901Responsible Manager:Manager Strategic and Community Development

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to present to Council an application to prepare a Planning Proposal to amend Schedule 1 of Wingecarribee Local Environmental Plan 2010 (WLEP 2010) to permit a dwelling house on Lot 3 DP 1014433, 76 Drapers Creek Road, Colo Vale.

SUMMARY

Council granted approval in 1993 for construction of a health retreat on the subject site. Development commenced and then ceased. The applicant now seeks permission to construct a dwelling house on the site. The site is zoned E3 Environmental Management under WLEP 2010 with a minimum lot size of 40 hectares. A Planning Proposal is required because, although dwelling houses are permissible with consent in the E3 zone, the subject site, being 21.1 hectares, is below the minimum lot size.

DESCRIPTION OF ITEM

BACKGROUND

The subject site is located on Lot 3 DP 1014433, 76 Drapers Creek Road, Colo Vale, to the west of the village of Colo Vale, as indicated on the regional map on the following map.

The site is zoned E3 Environmental Management under WLEP 2010 with a minimum lot size of 40 hectares.

The total area of the site is 21.1 hectares, but is divided into two portions by Drapers Creek Road with 4.27 hectares on the southern side of the road and the remaining 16.83 hectares on the northern side, as indicated on the detailed site map following the regional map.





Regional Location Map (Direction of North indicated by the red arrow).



Location & Zoning Map (Direction of North indicated by the red arrow).



In 1993, Council granted approval for construction of a health retreat on the southern portion of the property. Works subsequently ceased, but the cleared area and works remain and may be seen on the aerial photograph below.



Aerial Photograph (2009) (Direction of North indicated by the red arrow).

PROPOSAL

The applicant seeks to amend Schedule 1 of WLEP 2010 to permit the construction of a dwelling house on the subject site. Dwelling houses are permissible with consent in the E3 zone provided the minimum lot size is met, or the site had an existing dwelling entitlement when WLEP 2010 was made. In this case, all previous dwelling entitlements had been used. Because the site is below 40 hectares, a Planning Proposal would be required.

Normally, the Department of Planning and Infrastructure would require Council to amend the minimum lot size map rather than facilitate development through an amendment to Schedule 1. However, it is noted that WLEP 2010 currently does not contain a minimum lot size option of 20 hectares. The closest option of 10 hectares would theoretically permit subdivision of the property, although this would be difficult to achieve given the fact that Drapers Creek Road intersects the property.

It is noted that the northern portion of the site is heavily vegetated and contains a watercourse which is designated as requiring a Category 3 (bank stability and water quality) Riparian Corridor of 10 metres under WLEP 2010. The commenced works are located on the southern portion of the property within a cleared area of the site.



CONCLUSION

Council does not normally support the construction of dwelling houses on undersized allotments, particularly in rural and environmental zones, however the fact that the site already contains a partly constructed development is a relevant factor.

The impact of a dwelling house on surrounding properties and the road network could be expected to be less than that of the approved health retreat development. Part of the site has already been cleared and construction has commenced, but there has been no further work for some years. Therefore, the site has remained effectively a construction site during that time with detrimental amenity to the adjoining properties, both of which contain dwelling houses.

There are foundations and some walls in place. If this site were used for the proposed dwelling and the existing construction works incorporated as far as practicable into the proposed dwelling construction, there would be no additional environmental impacts.

This condition would particularly ensure that the vegetation on the northern side of Drapers Creek Road was not threatened by the development proposal. It would also ensure that the land that has already been cleared on the southern side of Drapers Creek Road is utilised and, as far as practicable, existing construction incorporated into the new development.

To this end, Council has requested and received from the property owners, a Positive Covenant over the property, the terms of which are:

"That no dwelling shall be erected or be permitted to remain on the land the subject of this covenant unless it shall be constructed within that area of the site where development has already commenced; and

"That any new development shall incorporate as much of the existing construction approved under Development Application of the Wingecarribee Shire Council numbered DA 540/92 as is deemed practicable by Wingecarribee Shire Council."

It is also noted that Wingecarribee Shire Council is named as the only authority empowered to release, vary or modify the Covenant.

This Covenant would form part of the Planning Proposal should Council resolve to support it.

SUSTAINABILITY ASSESSMENT

• Environment

The proposed dwelling house will not adversely impact on vegetation provided the existing development site and construction works are utilised.

Social

There are no social implications.

Culture

There are no cultural implications.

Broader Economic Implications

There are no economic implications.



• Governance

There are no governance implications.

RELATIONSHIP TO CORPORATE PLANS

There are no policy implications associated with this Proposal.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

The relevant fee for the preparation of the Planning Proposal would be charged if Council resolved to support it.

ATTACHMENTS

There is one attachment to this report:

1. Positive Covenant Applicable to the site.

RELATED COUNCIL POLICY

The Planning Proposal would apply to Wingecarribee LEP 2010.

RECOMMENDATION

- <u>THAT</u> Council resolve to prepare a Planning Proposal, in accordance with Section 55 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979, to amend Wingecarribee Local Environmental Plan 2010 to permit development for the purposes of a dwelling on Lot 3 DP 1014433, 76 Drapers Creek Road, Colo Vale.
- 2. <u>THAT</u> the applicant be advised of Council's decision in relation to 1 above.



AGENDA FOR THE ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL held in the Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Elizabeth Street, Moss Vale on Wednesday, 14 September 2011

REPORT OF DIRECTOR ENVIRONMENT & PLANNING

ATTACHMENT 1

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Annexure 'A' to Positive Covenant made between

Michael John DEBOER and Alison Gabriel DEBOER

Registered Proprietor

and

Wingecarribee Shire Council

Prescribed Authority

Terms of Positive covenant;

- That no dwelling shall be crected or be permitted to remain on the land the subject of this covenant unless it shall be constructed within that area of the site where development has already commenced; and
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Name of authority empowered to release vary or modify the above Positive Covenant:

Wingecarribee Shire Council

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