

## 15 COMMUNITY SERVICE DELIVERY

### 15.1 DRAFT BUSH FIRE PRONE LAND MAP

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Bush Fire Prone Land maps are required, by section 10.3 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*, and are prepared for each Local Government Area using mapping guidelines established by the Commissioner of the NSW Rural Fire Service (RFS). The maps provide guidance on the level of bushfire risk and are used as a reference when assessing new developments.

Council's current map was certified by the Commissioner of the RFS on 17 February 2015 and requires updating by the RFS to meet the requirements of subsequent mapping guideline updates.

The Draft Richmond Valley Council Bush Fire Prone Land Map (2 December 2024) is now presented for Council's consideration and endorsement for public exhibition. This map is a result of Council's review of an initial Draft Map provided by the RFS, which includes three bush fire hazard categories, mapping of grassland (comprising of grazing and cropping lands which were previously excluded), and changes to colour symbology used to depict hazard categories.

#### RESOLUTION 180225/8

Moved: Cr Robert Mustow

Seconded: Cr Stephen Morrissey

That Council endorses the *Draft Richmond Valley Council Bush Fire Prone Land Map (2 December 2024)* for public exhibition for a minimum period of 28 days.

**CARRIED**

### 15.2 PLANNING PROPOSAL - 70 MANIFOLD ROAD NORTH CASINO - RURAL RESIDENTIAL

#### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council has received a Planning Proposal application (PP2025/0001) (Portal Case No. PP-2024-2355) seeking to amend the *Richmond Valley Local Environmental Plan 2012* (the LEP) by rezoning 9.68ha of land at 70 Manifold Road North Casino to enable its subdivision into potentially 9 rural residential lots (Zone R5 Large Lot Residential) having a minimum lot size of 7500m<sup>2</sup>.

This proposal is supported by Council's Growth Management Strategy (2023) which identifies a corridor of potential large lot residential development along Manifold Road, including this land.

Council's support for the Planning Proposal is required prior to seeking a Gateway Determination from the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI).

#### RESOLUTION 180225/9

Moved: Cr Stephen Morrissey

Seconded: Cr Sandra Humphrys

That

1. Council supports Planning Proposal PP2025/0001 [Portal Case No. PP-2024-2355], which proposes to amend the *Richmond Valley LEP 2012*, as it applies to 70 Manifold Road North

Casino, being Lot 21 DP601461, by rezoning the land to facilitate its development for rural residential;

2. PP2025/0001 [Portal Case No. PP-2024-2355] be submitted to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure for a Gateway Determination; and
3. Council seeks Local Plan-making authority for this Planning Proposal and delegates this function to the General Manager.

**CARRIED**

### **15.3 COMMUNITY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM POLICY REVIEW**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Council allocates an amount of money each year in Financial Assistance to support local community organisations and groups that provide services, programs, or activities in the Richmond Valley. The funding is managed in accordance with the financial assistance provisions of Section 356 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, and the Community Financial Assistance Program Policy provides a guide to the application process.

#### **RESOLUTION 180225/10**

Moved: Cr Stephen Morrissey

Seconded: Cr Lyndall Murray

That Council adopts the revised Community Financial Assistance Program Policy in accordance with Section 356 of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

**CARRIED**

### **16 PROJECTS & BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT**

Nil