MINUTES OF THE NORTHERN REGION JOINT REGIONAL PLANNING PANEL MEETING HELD AT BYRON BAY GOLF CLUB ON THURSDAY 1 JULY, 2010 AT 11:30 AM

PRESENT:Pamela WestingActing ChairBruce ClarkePanel MemberBob McCotterPanel Member

IN ATTENDANCE

Paddy Dawson	Consultant Planner
John Samuels	Senior Development Engineer, Byron Shire Council
James Flockton	Drainage & Flood Engineer, Byron Shire Council
Ray Darney	Executive Manager of Planning, Byron Shire Council

APOLOGY: Garry West & Dr John Griffin

The meeting commenced at 11:35am. The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Panel.

1. Declarations of Interest

The Acting Chair advised that prior to the meeting Dr John Griffin had declared in writing a conflict of interest in regard to the item for determination by reason of his position as Secretary of an RSL Sub-Branch. Dr Griffin would therefore not attend the meeting and has submitted an apology.

2. Business Items

ITEM 1 2009NTH009 – Byron Shire Council – DA 10.2009.433.1 - Aged Care and Seniors Housing Development, 184-190 Broken Head Rd, Suffolk Park

3. Public Submissions

Russell Corbin	Addressed the panel generally in favour of the item, but would like some alterations to the design to increase amenity for residents.
Matthew Ashby, CEO Northern Region RSL Lifecare	Addressed the panel in favour of the item.
Ricky Kwan, GHD Flood Consultants	Addressed the panel in favour of the item
Michael Taylor, Director of TSA Management	Addressed the panel in favour of the item.
Andrew Bowling, Resident	Addressed the panel against the item.

4. Business Item Recommendations

2009NTH009 – Byron Shire Council – DA 10.2009.433.1 - Aged Care and Seniors Housing Development, 184-190 Broken Head Rd, Suffolk Park

Moved Bruce Clarke, seconded by Bob McCotter

That;

- (i) The Panel seek the support of Byron Shire Council in obtaining specific legal advice as to the effect of the Byron Local Environmental Plan Clause 24(3)(a) (ii); specifically whether if the Northern Regional Planning Panel were to have evidence of any increase in flooding, the clause would act to prevent the approval of the application.
- (ii) The Panel defer determination until such advice is obtained; and that
- (iii) If Byron Shire Council is unwilling or unable to provide the above legal advice, that the Panel seeks such advice through the Department of Planning.

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting concluded at 1:07pm.

Endorsed By

Pamela Westing Acting Chair, Northern Region Planning Panel 9 July 2010