

MINUTES OF THE SOUTHERN REGION PLANNING PANEL MEETING HELD AT WOLLONGONG CITY COUNCIL ON 3 DECEMBER 2009 AT 11.00AM

PRESENT:

Pam Allan (in the Chair) David McGowan
Allen Grimwood David Farmer
David Winterbottom

IN ATTENDANCE

WCC - Director Planning and Environment – Andrew Carfield
WCC - Manager City Planning – Mark Riordan
WCC – Senior Development Project Officer - Kristy Robinson
WCC – City Wide Development Manager - John Wood
WCC – Senior Development Project Officer - David Whitfield

APOLOGY:

Alison McCabe for Item 2.

The meeting commenced at 11.00 am. The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Panel.

1. Acknowledgement of Country

2. Declarations of Interest -

Alison McCabe did not attend today's meeting as she declared a pecuniary interest in Item 1 – Retirement Village at 24-60 Hooka Creek Road, Berkeley.

3. Business Items

ITEM 1 - *2009STH004 – Wollongong – DA-2009/843, - Masterplan Retirement Village 158 Units – 24-60 Hooka Creek Road, Berkeley*

The Chairperson tabled a letter from WCC Administrators which advises there are significant shortcomings in the development application and they support the recommendation for refusal.

4. Public Submissions-Sandra Burns Dawn Wonson Bob McKellar Evelyn Cruikshank

Southern Community Holdings - Ross Garlick

Moved David McGowan, seconded Allen Grimwood that the proposed development be refused and the following points be added to the reasons for refusal:

- 1 The proposed development is inconsistent with the objectives of the 6(b) Private Recreation zone under the Wollongong Local Environmental Plan 1990 and the objectives of the RE2 Private Recreation zone under draft Wollongong Local Environmental Plan 2009 which are primarily intended to ensure the land is developed for open space and recreation purposes.
- 2 The proposed use is a prohibited use under the provisions of the exhibited Draft Wollongong Local Environmental Plan 2009 and weight should be given to this intention and the exhibited status of the draft Plan.

Motion Carried

ITEM 2 - 2009STH011 – Wollongong – DA-21128843, - Demolition of existing building and construction of academic and research building in two stages – Lot 6 Northfields Avenue, Keiraville

The Chairperson tabled a letter from WCC Administrators indicating support for the recommendation for approval with conditions.

The Panel expressed their concerns at the long term traffic problems experienced throughout the nearby area due to lack of transport and car parking on site and of their support for alternative means of transport.

Business Item 2 Recommendations

Moved Allen Grimwood seconded David McGowan the proposed development be approved and the following condition be added to the draft conditions of consent:

Additional Condition: a review of the Transport Strategy and Implementation Plan be carried out to determine the effectiveness of alternative forms of transport and that the results be endorsed by Wollongong City Council, the University of Wollongong and the RTA to demonstrate demand and supply for transport, prior to issue of the construction certificate.

Motion Carried

The meeting concluded at 11.30 am.

Endorsed by

Pam Allan
Chair, Southern Region Planning Panel