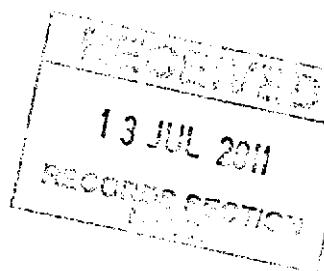




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Our ref: 20 ERM2011/0655
Your ref: DA 11/0590

Attention: Ms Melissa Thomas

7 July 2011

Dear Melissa

**Re: Integrated Development Referral – General Terms of Approval
DA 11/0590 - Proposed Retail Development & Associated Carparking and
Landscaping.
221 Minmi Road, Fletcher. Lot 901 DP 1022872.**

I refer to your recent letter regarding an Integrated Development Application (DA) proposal for the subject property. Attached, please find the NSW Office of Water's General Terms of Approval (GTA) for 'works' requiring a Controlled Activity Approval under the *Water Management Act 2000* (WMA), as detailed in the subject DA.

Please note Council's statutory obligations under section 91A(3) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979* (EPAA) which requires a consent, granted by a consent authority, to be consistent with the GTA proposed to be granted by the approval body.

If the proposed development is approved by Council, the NSW Office of Water requests that these GTA be included (in their entirety) in Council's development consent. Please also note the following:

- The NSW Office of Water should be notified if any plans or documents are amended and these amendments significantly change the proposed development or result in additional 'works' on waterfront land (ie in or within 40 metres from top of highest bank of a watercourse, foreshore, or lake). Once notified, the NSW Office of Water will ascertain if the amended plans require review or variation/s to the GTA. This requirement applies even if the proposed 'works' are part of Council's proposed consent conditions and the 'works' do not appear in the original documentation.
- The NSW Office of Water should be notified if Council receives an application to modify the consent conditions. **Failure to notify may render the consent invalid.**
- The NSW Office of Water requests notification of any legal challenge to the consent.

Under Section 91A(6) of the EPAA, Council must provide the NSW Office of Water with a copy of any determination/s including refusals.

As a controlled activity (ie the 'works') cannot commence before the applicant applies for and obtains a Controlled Activity Approval, the NSW Office of Water recommends that the following condition be included in the development consent:

"The Construction Certificate will not be issued over any part of the site requiring a Controlled Activity Approval until a copy of the Approval has been provided to Council".

The attached GTA are not the Controlled Activity Approval. The applicant must apply (to the NSW Office of Water) for a Controlled Activity Approval **after consent** has been issued by Council **and before** the commencement of any 'works' on waterfront land.

Finalisation of a Controlled Activity Approval can take up to 8 weeks from the date the NSW Office of Water receives all documentation (to its satisfaction). Applicants must complete and submit (to the undersigned) an application form together with any required plans, documents, the appropriate fee and security (ie bond, if applicable) and proof of Council's development consent.

Application forms for the Controlled Activity Approval are available from the undersigned or from the NSW Office of Water's website
<http://www.water.nsw.gov.au/Water-Licensing/Approvals/Controlled-activities/default.aspx>

The NSW Office of Water requests that Council provide a copy of this letter to the applicant.

Yours Sincerely



Anthony Bryson
Licensing Officer
NSW Office of Water
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General Terms of Approval – for works requiring a Controlled Activity Approval under the Water Management Act 2000

Our Reference	20 ERM2011/0655		
Site Address	221 Minmi Road, Fletcher. Lot 901 DP 1022872.		
DA Number	DA 11/0590		
LGA	Newcastle City Council		
Number	Condition		
Plans, standards and guidelines			
1	<p>These General Terms of Approval (GTA) only apply to the controlled activities described in the plans and associated documentation relating to DA 11/0590 and provided by Council as listed below:</p> <p>(i) Fletcher Neighbourhood Centre Statement of Environmental Effects and Appendices. Prepared by Hassell Limited, Revision 00 dated 25/05/2011.</p> <p>Any amendments or modifications to the proposed controlled activities may render these GTA invalid. If the proposed controlled activities are amended or modified the NSW Office of Water must be notified to determine if any variations to these GTA will be required.</p>		
2	<p>Prior to the commencement of any controlled activity (works) on waterfront land, the consent holder must obtain a Controlled Activity Approval (CAA) under the Water Management Act from the NSW Office of Water. Waterfront land for the purposes of this DA is land and material in or within 40 metres of the top of the bank of Wentworth Creek.</p>		
3	<p>The consent holder must prepare or commission the preparation of:</p> <p>(i) Vegetation Management Plan</p> <p>(ii) Works Schedule</p> <p>(iii) Erosion and Sediment Control Plan</p> <p>(iv) Soil and Water Management Plan</p>		
4	<p>All plans must be prepared by a suitably qualified person and submitted to the NSW Office of Water for approval prior to any controlled activity commencing. The following plans must be prepared in accordance with the NSW Office of Water's guidelines located at www.water.nsw.gov.au/Water-Licensing/Approvals/default.aspx</p> <p>(i) Vegetation Management Plans</p> <p>(ii) Riparian Corridors</p> <p>(iii) Outlet structures</p>		
5	<p>The consent holder must (i) carry out any controlled activity in accordance with approved plans and (ii) construct and/or implement any controlled activity by or under the direct supervision of a suitably qualified professional and (iii) when required, provide a certificate of completion to the NSW Office of Water.</p>		
Rehabilitation and maintenance			

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Site Address		221 Minmi Road, Fletcher. Lot 901 DP 1022872.	
DA Number		DA 11/0590	
LGA		Newcastle City Council	
Number	Condition		
6	The consent holder must carry out a maintenance period of two (2) years after practical completion of all controlled activities, rehabilitation and vegetation management in accordance with a plan approved by the NSW Office of Water.		
7	The consent holder must reinstate waterfront land affected by the carrying out of any controlled activity in accordance with a plan or design approved by the NSW Office of Water.		
Reporting requirements			
8	The consent holder must use a suitably qualified person to monitor the progress, completion, performance of works, rehabilitation and maintenance and report to the NSW Office of Water as required.		
Disposal			
9	The consent holder must ensure that no materials or cleared vegetation that may (i) obstruct flow, (ii) wash into the water body, or (iii) cause damage to river banks; are left on waterfront land other than in accordance with a plan approved by the NSW Office of Water.		
Drainage and Stormwater			
10	The consent holder is to ensure that all drainage works (i) capture and convey runoffs, discharges and flood flows to low flow water level in accordance with a plan approved by the NSW Office of Water; and (ii) do not obstruct the flow of water other than in accordance with a plan approved by the NSW Office of Water.		
11	The consent holder must stabilise drain discharge points to prevent erosion in accordance with a plan approved by the NSW Office of Water.		
Erosion control			
12	The consent holder must establish all erosion and sediment control works and water diversion structures in accordance with a plan approved by the NSW Office of Water. These works and structures must be inspected and maintained throughout the working period and must not be removed until the site has been fully stabilised.		
Excavation			
13	The consent holder must ensure that no excavation is undertaken on waterfront land other than in accordance with a plan approved by the NSW Office of Water.		
14	The consent holder must ensure that any excavation does not result in (i) diversion of any river (ii) bed or bank instability or (iii) damage to native vegetation within the area where a controlled activity has been authorised, other than in accordance with a plan approved by the NSW Office of Water.		
15	N/A		
END OF CONDITIONS			