

RECORD OF DECISION NORTHERN JOINT REGIONAL PLANNING PANEL

Members:

Garry West	Chair
John Griffin	Panel Member
Robyn Faber	Panel Member
Cathy Redding	Panel Member

Apology: Pam Westing

Declarations of Interest: None

The Northern Joint Regional Planning Panel (panel) considered the following application via two public determination meetings and two electronic meetings and this is a record of the process and decision.

Business Item

ITEM 1 – 2012NTH012 – Narrabri Shire Council DA60/2013- expansion of existing quarry; 975 Wave Hill Road, Narrabri

Development application DA60/2013 (2012NTH012) was considered at the panel meeting held at 2:30 pm on 21 August 2013 at Narrabri Shire Council. At this meeting Chris Bogdanoff, Peter Toole, Shane McGuinness and Rob Bray addressed the panel against the item, Peter Taylor spoke in favour of the item and Mark Ryan spoke on behalf of the applicant.

Dr John Griffin moved *“That the Panel defers consideration of Development Application 60/2013 for a period of up to 30 days to allow for the relevant parties to consider a resolution to the issues of the unsealed road”*. Cr Robyn Faber seconded this motion, and it was carried unanimously. The meeting concluded at 3:30 pm.

On 18 September 2013, Narrabri Shire Council requested an extension of 60 days to finalise a Voluntary Planning Agreement which would resolve the issue of the unsealed road. The regional panel agreed to the following via email between 23 and 24 September 2013: *“That the panel defers consideration of Development Application 60/2013 for an additional period of 60 days to allow for the terms of a voluntary planning agreement to be agreed between the relevant parties, with respect to an upgrade to Wavehill Road.”* That period of 60 days commenced from 25 September 2013.

Similarly, on 26 November 2013 a further extension of time was given by an electronic decision of the panel as follows *“The Wave Hill Quarry Development Application be granted a further extension until Friday 6 December 2013.”*

On 13 December 2013, Narrabri Shire Council acknowledged advice from the Panel Chair, The Hon. Garry West, that the draft Voluntary Planning Agreement was unsatisfactory. Council and the applicant undertook to revisit the matter, and it was agreed that the panel would consider the development application again once the matter had been satisfactorily resolved.

On 23 May 2014, Narrabri Shire Council wrote to the Regional Panel Secretariat advising the panel that Narrabri Shire Council had resolved on 6 May 2014 to accept the draft Voluntary Planning Agreement made by the applicant. Narrabri Shire Council requested that the panel consider the development application, with the addition of a condition of consent regarding the draft Voluntary Planning Agreement.

A supplementary report, draft conditions of consent, the abovementioned correspondence from Council, the original assessment report, the supplementary report of August 2013 and all submissions made by members of the public were sent to the panel members on 5 June 2014. The supplementary report, draft conditions of consent and the abovementioned correspondence from Council were published on the Joint Regional Planning Panel website on the same day. Letters were sent to all submitters on the same day to inform them of the proposed meeting. An advertisement appeared in the Narrabri North-Western Courier on 12 June 2014 to inform the general public of the proposed meeting.

The public meeting was held at 9:30 am on Thursday, 19 June 2014. Mr Kristian Bogdanoff and Mr Tony Hamblin addressed the panel against the item.

The panel confirmed that both parties were satisfied with the draft Voluntary Planning Agreement.

Dr John Griffin moved:


1. That DA60/2013 for the expansion of the existing quarry at Lot 77 DP754937 and Lot DP821255 Wave Hill Road, Narrabri, be approved subject to the attached conditions as amended.
2. That those making a submission in relation to the application be advised of this decision.

Advice to Narrabri Shire Council

That the Council budgeted works allocated for sealing of Wavehill Road commence from the end of the current sealed road up to the causeway at Burra Creek in the 2014-15 financial year.

The motion was seconded by Cr Cathy Redding. The motion was carried unanimously.

Endorsed by



Garry West
Chair, Northern Joint Regional Planning Panel
20 June 2014
