# MINUTES OF THE NORTHERN JOINT REGIONAL PLANNING PANEL MEETING HELD AT ARMIDALE DUMARESQ COUNCIL ON WEDNESDAY 27 FEBRUARY 2013, AT 9.30AM

## PRESENT:

Garry West Chair

John Griffin Panel Member
Bruce Clarke Panel Member
Paul McFarland Panel Member
Peter O'Donohue Panel Member

### IN ATTENDANCE:

Brian Munro University of New England
David Cushway University of New England
Stephen Gow Armidale Dumaresq Council
Brendan Miller Armidale Dumaresq Council

Regina Hooper Armidale Dumaresq Council (Minutes)

APOLOGY: Nil

**1.** The meeting commenced at 9.40am.

### 2. Declarations of Interest

Panel member Paul McFarland declared that he was a lecturer in Urban and Regional Planning at UNE but that, as he had no previous dealing with the project under assessment, and had only seen details of it as part of his preparation for sitting on the Panel, he did not perceive that he had a conflict of interest.

Panel member Peter O'Donohue provided the following written declaration:

- "1) I, Peter O'Donohue, am an employee of the UNE and a Councillor of Armidale Dumaresq Council.
- 2) I have not been involved in the assessment, nor been associated with previous decisions or discussions on the development of the land at 60 Madgwick Drive nor been part of a council resolution on the Development Application being determined.
- 3) As the UNE is the statutory body there is under Schedule 4, Appendix A, 12.3 (c) no non-pecuniary interest as an employee.
- 4) I am a general staff member holding the position of Senior Technical Officer in the Discipline of Theatre Studies, School of Arts.
- 5) I do not sit on, nor report to, any committee or individual that has oversight of this project.
- 6) I have never been affiliated with any part of the residential college system except at the most nominal level of engagement in the normal course of my duties.
- 7) The site is at least 1.2 km from my normal place of work at the University.
- 8) I do not consider, given the above, that any reasonable and informed person could perceive that I would have a conflict of interest that would influence my private interest in regard to carrying out my function as a Regional Panel member with regard to determining DA-219-2012, Ref #2012NTH025, New College for residential accommodation of 222 students, UNE."

### 3. Business Items

ITEM 1 - 2012NTH025 - Armidale Dumaresq Council - DA-219-2012 - New College for student accommodation, 60 Madgwick Drive, Armidale (site located north-west of intersection of Elm Avenue and Meredith Road)

### 4. Public Submissions

Nil

### 5. Business Item Recommendations

ITEM 1 - 2012NTH025 - Armidale Dumaresq Council - DA219-2012 - New college for student accommodation, 60 Madgwick Drive, Armidale (site located north-west of intersection of Elm Avenue and Meredith Road)

# Motion:

That approval be granted for DA-219-2012 in accordance with the conditions detailed in council's assessment report, with the following amendments:

- Condition 1 to be modified to refer to the amended Site Analysis plan drawing number 0340N DD 01.01 B
- Condition 3 to be modified, as outlined in council's supplementary assessment report dated 26 February 2013. The below text to be inserted as point (ii) to Condition 3:
  - (ii) dense screen plantings to protect users of the car park and courtyard areas of the project from the effects of prevailing westerly and easterly winds.

Moved: John Griffin Seconded: Bruce Clarke

## **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**6.** The meeting concluded at 10am.

Endorsed by

**Garry West** 

Chair, Northern Joint Regional Planning Panel

28 February 2013