

## DETERMINATION AND STATEMENT OF REASONS

### WESTERN JOINT REGIONAL PLANNING PANEL

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| <b>DATE OF DETERMINATION</b>    | 6 December 2017                                 |
| <b>PANEL MEMBERS</b>            | Gordon Kirkby (Chair), Ruth Fagan, Mark Grayson |
| <b>APOLOGIES</b>                | None  |
| <b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b> | None  |

Electronic meeting held between 27 November 2017 and 6 December 2017.

#### MATTER DETERMINED

2017WES012 – Coonamble – DA/026/2017 – Moorambilla Solar Farm – Lot 3 DP 547529, Lot 4 DP 547529, Lots 213 and 225 DP 754227 and Lot 7007 DP 1029777, Castlereagh Highway, Coonamble (AS DESCRIBED IN SCHEDULE 1)

#### PANEL CONSIDERATION AND DECISION

The Panel considered: the matters listed at item 6, the material listed at item 7 and the material presented at meetings and the matters observed at site inspections listed at item 8 in Schedule 1.

The Panel determined to approve the development application as described in Schedule 1 pursuant to section 80 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.

The decision was Unanimous.

#### REASONS FOR THE DECISION

The reasons for the decision of the Panel were:



- The panel were satisfied that the Council's assessment deals adequately with the matter for consideration under S79C of the Act and support the Application's approval as per the recommendation and the draft conditions with the additional emergency management condition listed below.

#### CONDITIONS

The development application was approved subject to the conditions in the Council Assessment Report with the following amendments to add the following additional condition:

#### Emergency Management Plan:

*Prior to the issue of any Construction Certificate an Emergency Management Plan (EMP) for the development shall be submitted to and approved by Council. The EMP shall address emergency management procedures associated with fire risk as a consequence of the built features of the development (i.e. solar panels, electrical wiring, substations etc), including containment of any contaminants on-site.*

| PANEL MEMBERS  |  |
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| <br>Gordon Kirkby (Chair) | <br>Ruth Fagan |

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| SCHEDULE 1 |  |  |
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| 1          | PANEL REF – LGA – DA NO.                   | 2017WES012 – Coonamble – DA/026/2017   |
| 2          | PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT                       | Moorambilla Solar Farm   |
| 3          | STREET ADDRESS                             | Lot 3 DP 547529, Lot 4 DP 547529, Lots 213 and 225 DP 754227 and Lot 7007 DP 1029777, Castlereagh Highway, Coonamble   |
| 4          | APPLICANT/OWNER                            | Moorambilla Solar Pty Ltd  |
| 5          | TYPE OF REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT               | Private infrastructure and community facilities over \$5 million   |
| 6          | RELEVANT MANDATORY CONSIDERATIONS          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Environmental planning instruments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coonamble LEP 2013</li> <li>• State Environmental Planning Policy (Infrastructure) 2007</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Draft environmental planning instruments: Nil</li> <li>• Development control plans: Nil</li> <li>• Planning agreements: Nil</li> <li>• Provisions of the <i>Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000</i>: Nil</li> <li>• Coastal zone management plan: Nil</li> <li>• The likely impacts of the development, including environmental impacts on the natural and built environment and social and economic impacts in the locality</li> <li>• The suitability of the site for the development</li> <li>• Any submissions made in accordance with the <i>Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979</i> or regulations</li> <li>• The public interest, including the principles of ecologically sustainable development</li> </ul> |
| 7          | MATERIAL CONSIDERED BY THE PANEL           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Council assessment report: <b>23 November 2017</b></li> <li>• Written submissions during public exhibition: 0</li> </ul>  |
| 8          | MEETINGS AND SITE INSPECTIONS BY THE PANEL | Nil  |
| 9          | COUNCIL RECOMMENDATION                     | Approval   |
| 10         | DRAFT CONDITIONS                           | Attached to the council assessment report  |