

BRIEFING DETAILS

BRIEFING DATE / TIME	Wednesday, 26 October 2022, 12:15pm and 1pm
LOCATION	MS Teams videoconference

BRIEFING MATTER

PPSNTH-164 – Port Macquarie Hastings – DA2022/358 - 90 Boundary St, Port Macquarie - Boundary Street Upgrade: upgrade and widening of approximately 1.2km of Boundary Street from Hibbard Ferry to Oliver Drive. Boundary Street will be widened to create a dual carriageway from Hastings River Drive to Port Macquarie Airport. The upgraded road will have kerb and gutter and is proposed to raise Boundary Street above the 1:20 flood level and increase the size of the culvert. Some removal of vegetation is required to achieve the required upgrades. A temporary bridge access will be constructed at the location of the culvert so that traffic can still access Port Macquarie Airport during construction

PANEL MEMBERS

IN ATTENDANCE	Paul Mitchell (Chair), Penny Holloway, Stephen Gow, Michael Mason and Chris Gee
APOLOGIES	None
DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	None

OTHER ATTENDEES

COUNCIL ASSESSMENT STAFF	Pat Galbraith-Robertson and Dan Croft
DEPARTMENT STAFF	Carolyn Hunt and Lisa Foley

KEY ISSUES DISCUSSED

- Overview of development provided, noting approval under Part 4, EP&A Act as the land is located within coastal wetlands area
- Council project providing links to airport
- Key Issues identified as:
 - Ecology – additional information requested by BCD
 - Fisheries – mitigation and rehabilitation measures to be identified, with potential offset requirement
 - TfNSW – more detail required for intersection design and works
 - Car parking for adjoining Regional Stadium and Bowling Club design changes to be outlined
 - Access for Newman Senior Technical College – future development to be identified and consolidation of land required
 - Noise and boundary interface impacts on existing manufactured homes within Leisure Tourist Park to be outlined and mitigation measures to be identified
- External referrals for BCD, TfNSW, Fisheries and NRAR are outstanding, with Essential Energy received
- Internal referrals are outstanding

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- One submission received in relation to legislative requirements for landowner's consent

Panel comments

- Future strategic planning should consider fast rail linkages to airport
- Landscaping elements to be considered given the importance of entrance to Port Macquarie
- Clarification of whether the road design has the potential to restrict water flows and if the culvert is of adequate size to cater for future development flows
- Consideration to be given to avoidance measures in regard to the proposed removal of vegetation for bypass road
- Matters to be included in the assessment report:
 - Management of potential impacts on wetlands to be identified and outline of mitigation measures
 - Noise impacts to be identified and outline of mitigation measures
 - Confirmation that all land that form part of the proposal are identified
 - Road is identified in LSPS as vital, with linkages to strategic planning goals and public interest
- The need for an independent assessment or peer review is to be reconsidered following consultation with DPE about the applicable procedures.

TENTATIVE DETERMINATION DATE SCHEDULED FOR: February 2023

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