

**BRIEFING DETAILS**

<b>BRIEFING/DATE/TIME</b>	24 March 2022 - 9.30am to 10.00am
<b>LOCATION</b>	Teleconference

**BRIEFING MATTER**

**PPSSCC-332 - DA2021/0693 – Cumberland - 203-213 Merrylands Road, Merrylands and 28-36 Merrylands Road, Merrylands**

Merrylands Civic Square - Construction of a new Civic Square for the Merrylands Town Centre inclusive of staging of construction, subdivision, landscaping and lighting.

**PANEL MEMBERS**

<b>IN ATTENDANCE</b>	Abigail Goldberg, Roberta Ryan, Brian Kirk
<b>APOLOGIES</b>	Nil
<b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b>	David Ryan declared a conflict on this item as his company prepared the SEE for the DA.  Clrs Glenn Elmore & Ola Hamed declared a conflict as the DA is on Council owned land and the applicant is Council.

**OTHER ATTENDEES**

<b>COUNCIL STAFF</b>	Jai Shankar, Michael Lawani, Olivia Yana, Harley Pearman
<b>APPLICANT</b>	N/A
<b>OTHER</b>	George Dojas – Regionally Significant Development Team

**KEY ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Have requested additional information from applicant (Council), including shadow diagrams.
- A Remediation Action Plan (RAP) was submitted in response to Council's RFI letter. The RAP recommends that further contamination investigations be conducted post-demolition of buildings on-site to confirm soil contamination. The Panel noted that demolition is the subject of a separate consent issued by Council and that consent was issued prior to the submission of the RAP. Accordingly, Council will recommend a draft condition of consent requiring the investigation of soil and amendment of the RAP as necessary post-demolition but prior to the commencement of construction.
- Assessment report is close to finalisation, and is currently being circulated internally. Anticipate submission to the Panel Secretariat for electronic determination towards the end of the month.
- Emerging issues:

- Location of pedestrian link is central to the public domain rather than along the eastern edge per the DCP. The variation is supported by Council.
- On-site detention system: on-site detention is not proposed, however this is supported by Council drainage engineers.
- Submission: single submitter, queried treatment on site boundary of adjoining land on eastern side, which it is intended to redevelop in the future.
- *Council considers that these issues can be resolved without delaying the assessment process.*
- As it's a Council DA, Council representatives have declared a conflict and will not participate in decision-making.

The Panel supports progress to a determination as soon as possible, noting the above.

**DETERMINATION DATE: end of March / early April 2022**