

RECORD OF BRIEFING

SOUTHERN REGIONAL PLANNING PANEL

#### **BRIEFING DETAILS**

BRIEFING DATE / TIME	Wednesday, 13 March 2024, 2:15 – 3:30pm
LOCATION	MS Teams

## **BRIEFING MATTER(S)**

PPSSTH-245 – Wollongong – DA-2023/284 - 17A MURRANAR ROAD TOWRADGI 2518 - Seniors housing development - demolition of existing structures, construction of 89 independent living units and amenities, including a neighbourhood shop with café and resident clubhouse and proposed staged development - three (3) stages.

#### **PANEL MEMBERS**

IN ATTENDANCE	Chris Wilson (Chair), Juliet Grant, Grant Christmas, David Brown
APOLOGIES	Tina Christy
DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	Marjorie Ferguson

#### **OTHER ATTENDEES**

COUNCIL ASSESSMENT STAFF	Anne Starr, Pier Panozzo
DPHI	Amanda Moylan, Tracey Gillett

# **KEY ISSUES DISCUSSED**

Council assessment staff provided the Panel with an update of the assessment of the application. The following matters were discussed:

- Amended plans received on 25 January and 27 February 2024.
- Changes to the scheme include:
  - Revised or new reports including arborist, archaeology, acoustic, flood assessment, civil engineering strategy and traffic response.
  - Revised architectural plans and landscape plan (refer plans and MMJ letter dated 25 January 2024).
  - Number of dwellings reduced from 89 to 85.
- Council is awaiting responses to the 2024 plan set from Sydney Water, which has previously indicated that it will not support the easement proposed underneath the road.
- Council engineers are currently reviewing proposed stormwater and flooding arrangements.
- Comments indicating the application is not supported in its current form have been received from Heritage NSW, and the Council's design expert, environment officer and landscape architect.
- Council assessment staff met with the applicant following the lodgement of the amended plans and amongst other matters expressed concerns regarding the elevated driveway/internal access roads.
- Architectural response including response to previous DRP comments.

- The buried culvert was identified as an engineering issue which may need to be addressed.
- Amenity for the residents.
- Impact of elevated road.
- Suitability of the site for seniors given the higher threshold requirements around flooding/evacuation for this type of land use.

## **Next Steps**

• The Panel requested that an assessment report and recommendation be provided to enable final determination on 29<sup>th</sup> May 2024.

# PUBLIC DETERMINATION DATE SCHEDULED FOR 29th MAY 2024