

Mr. Paul Deszell

Director of Liveable Communities.

Mid Coast Council

15th September 2022



Re ; North Diamond Beach Rezoning Proposal

Meeting 6th September 2022

On the 6th of September 2022, MS Loma Paulson CEO Forster Land Council, Mr Robert Yettica Aboriginal Sites Officer for Forster Land Council, Lakari Native Title Unit and TIDE and I had a meeting with Mr. Deszell to discuss the North Diamond Beach Rezoning proposal.

Mr. Deszell gave an indepth overall presentation on the development application of the Proposed North Diamond Beach Rezoning Site and supplied information advising us of Mid Coast Councils position was in relation to the new development.

Mr. Deszell and other MCC council staff advised us that the area in question had previous Development Applications on those areas going back many years .

I raised the issue that an Archaeological survey was conducted on lot 391 by Penny Mcardle near the new development area and that she did not consult widely with Traditional Owners when she surveyed that area.

Mr. Deszell and MCC staff at this meeting could not advise us if an Aboriginal Site survey had been completed or taken place on the proposed new Rezoning Proposal area where the new buildings and units were going to be built.

I believe that an Archaeological survey needs to be undertake on the new Rezoning Development Proposal area before this proposal is approved.

I am personally not opposed to development but if there are Aboriginal Sites or burials in this area they need to be preserved and protected.

If there needs to be anymore discussion in relation to my concerns I am quite happy to meet with Mid Coast Council.

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