

Explanatory Note

Minister for Planning ABN 38 755 709 681 and Trustee of Church Property for the Diocese of Newcastle ABN 31 876 908 346

Draft Planning Agreement

Introduction

The purpose of this explanatory note is to provide a plain English summary to support the notification of the draft planning agreement (the **Planning Agreement**) prepared under Subdivision 2 of Division 6 of Part 4 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act* 1979 (the **Act**).

This explanatory note has been prepared jointly by the parties as required by clause 25E of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation* 2000 (the **Regulation**).

Parties to the Planning Agreement

The parties to the Planning Agreement are the Minister for Planning ABN 38 755 709 681 (the **Minister**) and Trustee of Church Property for the Diocese of Newcastle (ABN 31 876 908 346) (the **Developer**).

Description of the Subject Land

The Planning Agreement applies to that part of:

- Lot 1951 of Deposited Plan 1213240 as shown in “Annexure B” to the Planning Agreement

known as The Glebe, Wallis Street, East Maitland (**Subject Land**).

Description of the Proposed Development

The Developer is seeking to subdivide the whole of Lot 1951 of Deposited Plan 1213240 into approximately two (2) proposed residential lots (defined in the Planning Agreement as Proposed lot 1 and Proposed lot 2), generally in accordance with Development Application 2016/0861 which has been lodged with Maitland City Council (**Proposed Development**). The Developer has made an offer to the Minister to enter into the Planning Agreement in connection the part of the Proposed Development which applies to the Subject Land.

Summary of Objectives, Nature and Effect of the Planning Agreement

The Planning Agreement provides that the Developer will make a monetary contribution of \$80,185.00 per hectare of net developable area (subject to indexation in accordance with the Planning Agreement) for the purposes of the provision of designated State public infrastructure within the meaning of clause 6.1 of the *Maitland Local Environmental Plan 2011* (**LEP**).

The monetary contribution of \$11,362.21 will be payable on execution of the Planning Agreement.

The Planning Agreement applies in respect of the Subject Land and Proposed Lot 1 and does not apply in respect of the land contained in Proposed Lot 2.

The objective of the Planning Agreement is to facilitate the delivery of the Developer's contributions towards the provision of infrastructure, facilities and services referred to in clause 6.1 of the LEP.

No relevant capital works program by the Minister is associated with the Planning Agreement.

Assessment of Merits of Planning Agreement

The Planning Purpose of the Planning Agreement

In accordance with section 93F(2) of the Act, the Planning Agreement has the following public purpose:

- the provision of (or the recoupment of the cost of providing) transport or other infrastructure relating to land

The Minister and the Developer have assessed the Planning Agreement and both hold the view that the provisions of the Planning Agreement provide a reasonable means of achieving the public purpose set out above. This is because it will ensure that the Developer makes appropriate contributions towards the provision of infrastructure, facilities and services referred to in clause 6.1 of the LEP.

How the Planning Agreement Promotes the Public Interest

The Planning Agreement promotes the public interest by ensuring that an appropriate contribution is made towards the provision of infrastructure, facilities and services to satisfy needs that arise from development of the Subject Land.

How the Planning Agreement Promotes the Objects of the Act

The Planning Agreement promotes the objects of the Act by encouraging:

- the promotion and co-ordination of the orderly and economic use and development of land.

The Planning Agreement promotes the objects of the Act set out above by requiring the Developer to make a contribution towards the provision of infrastructure, facilities and services referred to in clause 6.1 of the LEP.

The Developer's offer to contribute towards the provision of State infrastructure will have a positive public impact as funds from the Developer will be available towards the provision of infrastructure, facilities and services referred to in clause 6.1 of the LEP.

Requirements relating to Construction, Occupation and Subdivision Certificates

The Planning Agreement does not specify requirements that must be complied with prior to the issue of a construction certificate or an occupation certificate as the Development Contributions is paid on execution of the Planning Agreement.