

MINUTES

Lochinvar Reference Group Meeting 21st December 2009 – Ninth meeting

1. **Meeting opened:** 4:00pm

Present:

Clr Henry Meskauskas (ClrHM)
Alan Wells (AW)
John Whittle (JW)
Josh Ford (JF)

Apologies:

Steve Barlow (SB)
Leanne Harris (Group Manager – Service, Planning and Regulation)
Monica Gibson (Manager, City Strategy)

2. **Business arising from previous meeting**

- Nil.

3. **Hunter 8 Alliance – Minimbah 3rd Track**

- JF explained that contact has been made with the consultant handling the 3rd Track project, but no response has been provided in regards to attending a future Lochinvar Reference Group meeting. However, an undertaking was given that the consultant could attend a meeting when JF spoke to the consultant soon after the last LRG meeting.

4. **Progress of Environmental Studies**

- AW stated that:
 - he has received the final copy of the flora and fauna report prepared by Ecobiological;
 - the Aboriginal archaeological assessment prepared by Mary Dallas should be available by early January 2010;
 - the contamination assessment prepared by Barker Harle should also be available by early January 2010; and
 - the water and wastewater strategies prepared by Parsons Brinckerhoff are both progressing well.
- AW indicated that the environmental studies are being timed well to fit in with Council's timeframe for preparing the draft principal LEP 2011.
- AW highlighted that a draft letter has been prepared to inform landowners of the progress/status of environmental studies for the rezoning. Council will review this letter and forward to landowners in the near future.

5. General Business

- AW and Ian Adams (planning consultant) are reviewing the overarching planning report that will be submitted to Council for review with the environmental studies.
- JW asked who landowners should contact if they require clarification over matters raised in the environmental studies, or have general questions.
- AW responded to JW by stating that himself or Ian Adams (planning consultant) could be contacted, and if necessary, the consultants that prepared the environmental studies could speak with landowners. JF stated that himself or Monica Gibson could be contacted if landowners required any further clarification.
- AW to forward ClrHM a copy of the completed flora and fauna report.

6. Next meeting time

- Next meeting to be held at 4pm on Monday 18th January 2009 in the Paterson Room, Town Hall.

7. Meeting Closed: 4.30pm