

## CITY OF NEWCASTLE

### Minutes of the Briefing Committee Meeting held in the Council Chambers, 2nd Floor City Hall on 15 November 2016 at 5.50pm.

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#### PRESENT

The Lord Mayor (Councillor N Nelmes), Councillors D Clausen (arrived 6.07pm), T Doyle, J Dunn, B Luke, M Osborne, S Posniak, A Robinson, A Rufo and S Waterhouse.

#### IN ATTENDANCE

P Chrystal (Interim Chief Executive Officer), G Cousins (Director Corporate Services), F Cordingley (Director Infrastructure), A Baxter (Acting Director Planning and Regulatory), M Blackburn-Smith (Manager Development and Building), F Giordano (Manager Legal and Governance), K Sullivan (Council Services/Webcasting) and A Knowles (Council Services/Minutes).

#### APOLOGIES

##### MOTION

Moved by Cr Rufo, seconded by Cr Posniak.

The apologies submitted on behalf of Councillor Compton be received and leave of absence granted.

**Carried**

**Note** Councillor Tierney was not present at the meeting.

#### DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

##### Councillor Doyle

Councillor Doyle declared a less than significant non-pecuniary interest in Item 9 - BR 15/11/16 - Amendment to Newcastle LEP - land bounded by Mosbri Crescent and Kitchener Parade, The Hill as her place of residence is located within the vicinity.

##### Councillor Posniak

Councillor Posniak declared a non-pecuniary less than significant interest in Item 9-BR 15/11/16 - Land bounded by Mosbri Crescent and Kitchener Parade The Hill - endorsement of amendment to Newcastle Local Environmental Plan 2012 and Development Control Plan 2012 and said that a close friend and associate resided within the vicinity of the land.

##### Lord Mayor Cr Nelmes

Lord Mayor Cr Nelmes declared a less than significant non pecuniary interest in Item 9 - BR 15/11/16 - Amendment to Newcastle LEP - land bounded by Mosbri Crescent and Kitchener Parade, The Hill as a former Councillor and colleague lives within the vicinity.

### **All Councillors**

All Councillors present declared a less than significant non pecuniary interest in Item 8 Br 15/11/16 - Defence Housing Australia - Planning Proposal for Fort Wallace Stockton as Councillors have in the past communicated with Mr Martin Coates Regional Director Hunter, Defence Housing Australia (DHA) in his former role as a Director employed by Newcastle City Council.

## **BRIEFING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **ITEM-8                      BR 15/11/16 - DEFENCE HOUSING AUSTRALIA - PLANNING PROPOSAL FOR FORT WALLACE STOCKTON**

The briefing was presented by Martin Coates, Regional Director Hunter, Defence Housing Australia (DHA), Jane Freeman, Associate, Architectus and Gully Coote, Development Manager, Defence Housing Australia (DHA).

Mr Coates provided an overview of DHA and its establishment as a self-funded organisation and purpose.

Mr Coote spoke on the difficulties in providing housing within a prescribed area to Defence Force Australia locations and noted the Fort Wallace site vested to DHA is within the zone. The need for housing is continuous and ongoing.

Ms Freeman provided an overview of the site, the development proposal and Master Plan. The designs are site sensitive with a focus on utilising renewable energy, sustainable building materials and vegetation.

A community consultation is scheduled for 8 December 2016 to cover both the Fort Wallace and the Rifle Range sites. It is anticipated the Fort Wallace Planning Proposal will be lodged at the end of December 2016.

### **MOTION**

Moved by Cr Osborne, seconded by Cr Posniak.

The briefing be received.

**Carried**

### **ITEM-9                      BR 15/11/16 - AMENDMENT TO NEWCASTLE LEP 2012 - LAND BOUNDED BY MOSBRI CRESCENT AND KITCHENER PARADE THE HILL**

The briefing was presented by Steve Masia, Senior Urban Planner and Patty McCarthy, Team Coordinator both from Strategic Planning, NCC.

Mr Masia provided an overview of the amendment request together with a background on the purpose of a Local Planning Strategy. It was noted that the report going to Council is not a Development Application but a Master Plan identifying what the site can facilitate.

The Master Plan recognised additional land to the west of the site to be included in the rezoning in this area, together with recommended key design elements to ensure proposed street frontages including height levels are consistent with existing neighbouring properties.

Mr Masia noted that a DCP guideline is anticipated for the sites. A DCP is the only mechanism to control footprints for sites as there is no provision for this in a LEP.

Mr Masia took Councillor Osborne's question on notice on the proposed height of the building along Wolfe Street, Merewether.

**MOTION**

Moved by Cr Osborne, seconded by Cr Posniak.

The briefing be received.

**Carried**

**The meeting concluded at 6.55pm**