



THE CITY OF NEWCASTLE

BRIEFING COMMITTEE

Councillors,

In accordance with section 367 of the Local Government Act, 1993 notice is hereby given that a Briefing Committee Meeting will be held on:

DATE: Tuesday 20 October 2015

TIME: 5.30pm

VENUE: Council Chambers
2nd Floor
City Hall
290 King Street
Newcastle NSW 2300

K Gouldthorp
General Manager

**City Administration Centre
282 King Street
NEWCASTLE NSW 2300**

9 October 2015

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20 October 2015

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BRIEFING COMMITTEE REPORTS

ITEM-13 **BR 20/10/15 - 505 MINMI ROAD FLETCHER - AMENDMENT TO NEWCASTLE LEP 2012**

REPORT BY: **PLANNING AND REGULATORY**
CONTACT: **DIRECTOR PLANNING AND REGULATORY / MANAGER STRATEGIC PLANNING**

PURPOSE

To brief Councillors on matters raised in relation to the proposed rezoning of land at 505 Minmi Road, Fletcher.

BACKGROUND

Council resolved at its meeting held on 18 December 2012, to endorse a planning proposal for land at 505 Minmi Road, Fletcher to enable low density residential development and appropriate environmental conservation areas.

The resolution also included a request for a briefing at the completion of the public exhibition period and prior to any report going to Council to address a series of questions included in the resolution (see **Attachment A**).

The planning proposal was publicly exhibited for 28 days from 7 September 2015 to 6 October 2015 and one submission was received. The planning proposal is listed for consideration by Council on the Ordinary Council Meeting agenda of 24 November 2015.

RECOMMENDATION

The briefing be received.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A: Copy of Council resolution of 18 December 2012.

Attachment A

ACTION ITEM

Ordinary Council
Tuesday, 18 December 2012

**SUBJECT: BR 20/10/15 - 505 MINMI ROAD, FLETCHER -
AMENDMENT TO NEWCASTLE LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL
PLAN 2012**

RESOLVED: (COUNCILLORS A RUFO/B LUKE)

A Council resolves:

- a pursuant to Section 55 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment (EP&A) Act 1979*, to endorse a planning proposal to enable low density residential development and appropriate environmental conservation areas to occur on Lot 1 DP 844711, 505 Minmi Road, Fletcher as outlined in **Attachment A**;
- b to forward the planning proposal (**Attachment A**) to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure for 'gateway determination' under Section 56 of the *EP&A Act, 1979*; and
- c that the outcomes of the community consultation process are reported back to Council if unresolved objections are received.

B Councillors to receive a briefing at the completion of the public exhibition period prior to any report going before council. The briefing should include but not be limited to:

- 1 The outcomes to the questions asked:
 - a) On what ground was the rezoning application rejected by the Minister for planning for gateway determination?
 - b) What was the result of Council officers investigations into the reported
 - i) illegal tree clearing and filling of gullies
 - ii) the erection of partially fenced area where there was the introduction of goats.
 - c) How does this rezoning application correlate with the Coal and Allied Development plan for the area?
 - d) What overall effect will the two individual plans have on the area?

- e) How is the issue raised in the letter by the Office of the Environment and Heritage? In particular, the short fall in bio-banking credits being addressed.
- 2 Any relevant information that the officers may consider important for Councillors to be informed of. This should include in detail:
- a) Information about the Coal and Allied plan
 - b) Comments if any from the Minister for planning and infrastructure for gateway determination.