



*Minutes of the Engineering
Standing Committee of the Council
20 November 2007
commencing at 11:16 am*

PRESENT

Councillors – M P Berwick (Chair), D P Egan (Deputy Mayor), W J Bellerio, M J Cox, R Davis, D G Pitt and J Sciacca.

Staff – J F Leu (Acting Chief Executive Officer), D G Carey (General Manager Community & Corporate), D V Crees (Acting General Manager Finance & Administration), P M Hoyer (Acting General Manager Development & Environment), P J Cymbala (Acting General Manager Engineering) and S K Andrews (Corporate Support).

07/1120/13 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest presented to the meeting.

07/1120/14 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – 30 OCTOBER 2007

Moved Cr Cox

Seconded Cr Sciacca

“That the minutes of the Engineering Standing Committee Meeting held on 30 October 2007 be confirmed.”

Carried unanimously

REPORTS

**07/1120/15 ROAD SAFETY AUDIT REPORT OF CAPE TRIBULATION-
BLOOMFIELD ROAD**

Moved Cr Sciacca

Seconded Cr Berwick

“That the Committee acts on issues raised in the Road Safety Audit Report of Cape Tribulation-Bloomfield Road, which need to be prioritised and all necessary actions/changes made over a five-year timeframe. Where recommended actions are not undertaken, are not planned to be undertaken, or alternative actions are undertaken, then the reasons for doing so are to be documented.”

ATTENDANCE/WITHDRAWAL

The General Manager Community & Corporate, David Carey, withdrew from the meeting at 11:19 am and re-attended at 11:21 am.

The Acting General Manager Development & Environment, Paul Hoye, withdrew from the meeting at 11:21 am and re-attended at 11:25 am.

The Strategic Planner, Jim Allen, attended the meeting at 11:32 am.

For: Cr Berwick
Against: Cr Egan, Cox, Pitt, Bellerio, Sciacca, Davis
Lost

PROCEDURAL MOTION

Moved Cr Cox

Seconded Cr Egan

07/1120/15A

"That item 07/1120/15 - Road Safety Audit Report of Cape Tribulation-Bloomfield Road, lies on the table until the Engineering Standing Committee Meeting of 11 December 2007 and a briefing session is held about it and an action list provided."

ATTENDANCE/WITHDRAWAL

The Sustainability Officer, Maree Grenfell, attended the meeting at 11:38 am.

Cr Egan withdrew from the meeting at 11:47 am and re-attended at 11:48 am.

For: Cr Cox, Egan, Davis, Sciacca, Pitt, Bellerio
Against: Cr Berwick
Carried

07/1120/16 ACCESS TO UNNAMED ROAD AT REAR OF PANDANUS CARAVAN
PARK, DAVIDSON STREET, PORT DOUGLAS

Moved Cr Egan

Seconded Cr Berwick

“That the Committee does not approve the applicant’s request to gain access to the unnamed road at the rear of Pandanus Caravan Park, Davidson Street, Port Douglas, on land described as Lots 1 & 2 on RP723702, Parish of Salisbury, and located at 97-107 Davidson Street, Port Douglas, for the following reasons:

1. *the subject site is already serviced by an existing access off Davidson Street;*
2. *existing screening provided by natural vegetation will need to be removed to provide access to the subject property;*
3. *potential for odour issues following removal of existing vegetative buffer;*
4. *potential for visual amenity issues following the removal of existing vegetative buffer; and*
5. *the unnamed road at rear of subject site is currently used by chemical delivery trucks, contractors and Council staff associated with the operation of the Port Douglas sewage treatment plant. Formalisation of this road will result in increased interaction between sewage treatment plant operations and the general public.”*

SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDERS

Moved Cr Davis

Seconded Cr Pitt

07/1120/16A *“That standing orders be suspended to allow Mr John Lordon, Director, Our Stuff Pty Ltd, to address the Committee in relation to item 07/1120/16 – Access to Unnamed Road at Rear of Pandanus Caravan Park, Davidson Street, Port Douglas.” (11:53 pm)*

For: Cr Davis, Pitt, Bellero, Egan, Cox, Sciacca

Against: Cr Berwick

Carried

Mr John Lordon, Director, Our Stuff Pty Ltd, was invited to address the Committee in relation to item 07/1120/16 – Access to Unnamed Road at Rear of Pandanus Caravan Park, Davidson Street, Port Douglas.

The Chair thanked Mr Lordon for the information provided and he returned to the public gallery.

RESUMPTION OF STANDING ORDERS

Moved Cr Davis

Seconded Cr Sciacca

07/1120/16B *"That standing orders be resumed."* (11:58 am)

Carried unanimously

ATTENDANCE/WITHDRAWAL

The Strategic Planner withdrew from the meeting at 12:03 pm.

The motion was put:

For: Cr Berwick, Cox

Against: Cr Egan, Sciacca, Davis, Bellerio, Pitt

Lost

Moved Cr Davis

Seconded Cr Sciacca

07/1120/16(i) *"That the Committee approves the applicant's request to gain access to the unnamed road at the rear of Pandanus Caravan Park, Davidson Street, Port Douglas, on land described as Lots 1 & 2 on RP723702, Parish of Salisbury, and located at 97-107 Davidson Street, Port Douglas, subject to an Operational Works Permit being obtained."*

For: Cr Davis, Sciacca, Egan, Bellerio, Pitt

Against: Cr Berwick, Cox

Carried

NOTICES OF MOTION

07/1120/17 RD6907M – INTERIM FOOTPATH LINK – FLAGSTAFF HILL, PORT DOUGLAS

Moved Cr Davis

Seconded Cr Cox

"That the Committee resolves to investigate the issues and rough costs associated with making the short footpath link between the Flagstaff Hill lookout at Port Douglas and the zigzag footpath to the beach."

ATTENDANCE/WITHDRAWAL

The Strategic Planner re-attended the meeting at 12:05 pm.

Carried unanimously

TERMINATION OF THE MEETING

The meeting was closed at 12:06 pm.

Presented to and confirmed by the Engineering Standing Committee of the Council on the *eleventh* day of *December* 2007.

M P Bellerio
Chair

Confirmed