

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING 13 MAY 2014	A
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NOTICE OF MOTION #420515

SUBMITTED BY: COUNCILLOR MELCHERT

SUBJECT: COMBINED CLUB PORT DOUGLAS EXTENSIONS

ATTACHMENT: NOTICE OF MOTION

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER COMMENT:

This matter is subject to a report prepared by Council's Development and Environment Section and this report is contained within the "Agenda Items as Listed" for Council's Ordinary Meeting for 13 April 2014.

NOTICE OF MOTION
Combined Club Port Douglas Extensions

I hereby give notice of my intention to move the following motion at the Council Meeting, scheduled for Tuesday 13th May 2014 :-

"that the Council note that the design for extensions to the Combined Club Building in Port Douglas which extends fully to the rear boundary of the property has had to follow existing building floor levels and this has led to the necessity to alter the adjoining footpath levels to accommodate disabled access. Accordingly the Council resolve to :-

(i) alter the level of the adjoining footpath under its Control, including a disabled ramp, to meet the floor level.

(ii) resolve to authorise the small memorial to a lost Club sailor to be located an appropriate area in the reserve.

(iii) approve of the construction, over the footpath, of a cantilevered entry awning (no support posts) at the new club entrance.

All works to be undertaken under supervision of Council, to be generally in accordance with plans prepared by the club and fully funded by the club.

Background

As Councillors are aware the Combined Club provides excellent services to the local community and tourists, and contributes significant funding to other community groups from the proceeds of its activities.

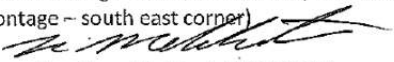
The Club is seeking to expand its services by extending and enhancing the existing building and has received Development Approval for the work.

As part of the final design (copy attached) it has been found that the building floor level as it extends into the new development is above that of the existing footpath.

The Club sought approval for a minor amendment to its approval for a disabled access, a small monument to be included in landscaping and an entry awning to extend into and over the footpath. The Club has been advised by the planning program that the DA development cannot be extended into the adjoining footpath and the application has been refused.

The footpath area is however under the control of Council and it does have, in my view, the power to carry out works and approve works in this area, and this is the path this proposal promotes.

It should be said such works are entirely consistent with relief Council has, quite sensibly in my view, given on many occasions in the past. As examples for Councillors to inspect there are similar arrangements for disabled access on properties on the corner of Grant and Warner Streets (Grant Street frontage - south west corner) and on the corner of Owen and Macrossan Streets (Owen Street frontage - south east corner)


 Councillor Terry Melchert 29/04/2014

