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22 October 2026

Enquiries: Kieren Nyko
Our Ref: ROL 2026_6006/1 (Doc ID #1399042)
Your Ref: N/A

Kylie Hilton & James Hilton
PO Box 1332
MOSSMAN QLD 4873

Dear Sir/Madam

Development Application for Reconfiguring a Lot (Boundary Realignment - 2 Lots into 2 Lots)
At Cassowary Road, Cassowary
On Land Described as Lot 39 SP144706 & Lot 87 NR616

Please find attached the Decision Notice for the above-mentioned development application.

Please quote Council's application number: ROL 2026_6006/1 in all subsequent correspondence relating to this development application.

Should you require any clarification regarding this, please contact Kieren Nyko on telephone 07 4099 9444.

Yours faithfully

Neil Beck
Team Leader Planning

cc. Ergon Energy **E**: townplanning@ergon.com.au

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- Advice For Making Representations and Appeals (Decision Notice)

Decision Notice

Approval (with conditions)

Given under s 63 of the Planning Act 2016

Applicant Details

Name:	Kylie Hilton & James Hilton
Postal Address:	PO Box 1332 MOSSMAN QLD 4873
Email:	jimmyhilton@gmail.com

Property Details

Street Address:	Cassowary Road, Cassowary
Real Property Description:	Lot 39 SP144706 & Lot 87 NR616
Local Government Area:	Douglas Shire Council

Details of Proposed Development

Development Permit for Reconfiguring a Lot (Boundary Realignment - 2 Lots into 2 Lots)

Decision

Date of Decision:	22 October 2026
Decision Details:	Approved (subject to conditions)

Approved Drawing(s) and/or Document(s)

Copies of the following plans, specifications and/or drawings are enclosed.

The term 'approved drawing(s) and/or document(s) or other similar expressions means:

Drawing or Document	Reference	Date
ROL 2026_6006/1 - Proposed Lot 87 and Proposed Lot 39	Ref No: 1, prepared by James Hilton	3 October 2026

Assessment Manager Conditions & Advices

General

1. Carry out the approved development generally in accordance with the approved drawing(s) and/or document(s), and in accordance with:

   a. The specifications, facts and circumstances as set out in the application submitted to Council; and

   b. The following conditions of approval and the requirements of Council's Planning Scheme and the FNQROC Development Manual. Except where modified by these conditions of approval.

Timing of Effect

2. The conditions of the development permit must be effected prior to the endorsement of the survey plan unless otherwise nominated in these conditions of approval.

Road

3. This development permit does not provide consent to a road closure.

   Advice Note: Lot 86 NR616 relies on part of the adjoining road for lawful access. Any request to partially close the road will need to be made as a separate request to Douglas Shire Council's Property Team.

Electricity Supply

4. Written evidence of negotiations with Ergon Energy must be submitted to Council stating that electricity supply will be provided to Lot 39 prior to the endorsement of the survey plan.

   Advice Note: The electricity network will need to be extended to the frontage of Lot 39. Enquiries will need to be made with Ergon Energy regarding these works.

Concertation of Stormwater

5. All stormwater from the property must be directed to a lawful point of discharge such that it does not adversely affect surrounding properties or properties downstream from the development, all to the requirements and satisfaction of the Chief Executive Officer.

Existing Vegetation

6. Existing vegetation on the subject land must be retained in all areas except where vegetation damage is essential for the survey of a property boundary by a registered surveyor.

   Any further vegetation damage will require a development permit for Operational Work.

Existing Creek and Drainage Areas

7. Existing creek systems and drainage areas must be left in their current state, including no channel alterations and no removal of vegetation, unless otherwise required as a condition of this development permit.

Damage to Infrastructure

8. Any damage to the road and/or road reserve adjacent to the site as a result of, or in connection with the development must be repaired at the applicant's expense, prior to the endorsement of the survey plan.

Advice

1. This approval does not negate the requirement for compliance with all other relevant Council Local Laws and other statutory requirements.

2. For information relating to the *Planning Act 2016* log on to https://planning.dsdmip.qld.gov.au/. To access the *FNQROC Regional Development Manual*, Local Laws, the Douglas Shire Planning Scheme and other applicable Policies log on to www.douglas.qld.gov.au.

Further Development Permits

Not applicable

Referral Agency Response

Referral Agency Response	Referral Agency Reference	Date	Doc ID
Ergon Energy	ECM 43100094-43099620	13 October 2026	1397300

Note – Referral Agency Response is attached. This Referral Agency Response may be amended by agreement with the respective agency.

Currency Period for the Approval

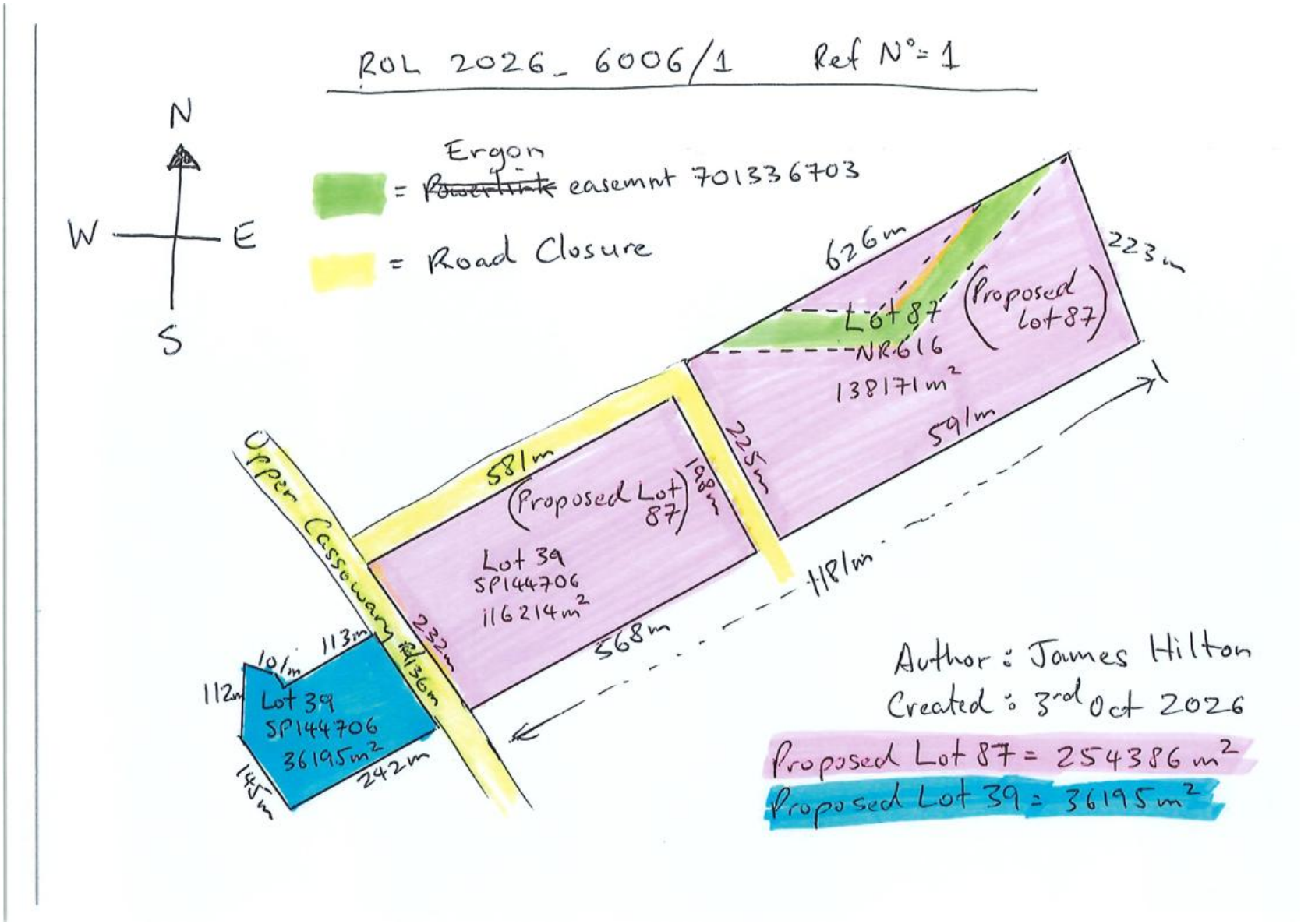
This approval, granted under the provisions of the *Planning Act 2016*, shall lapse four (4) years from the day the approval takes effect in accordance with the provisions of Section 85 of the *Planning Act 2016*.

Rights to make Representations & Rights of Appeal

The rights of applicants to make representations and rights to appeal to a Tribunal or the Planning and Environment Court against decisions about a development application are set out in Chapter 6, Part 1 of the *Planning Act 2016.*

A copy of the relevant appeal provisions is attached.

Approved Drawing(s) and/or Document(s)



Referral Agency Conditions

420 Flinders Street, Townsville QLD 4810
PO Box 1090, Townsville QLD 4810
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13 October 2026

Chief Executive Officer
Douglas Shire Council

Attention: Kieren Nyko
Via email: enquiries@douglas.qld.gov.au

cc James P Hilton and Kylie R Hilton
Attention: James Hilton
Via email: jimmyhilton@gmail.com

Dear Sir/Madam,

Ergon Advice Agency Response
Our Ref: ECM 43100094-43099620
Council Ref: ROL 2026_6006/1

This Referral Agency response is given under section 56 of the *Planning Act 2016*.

Response	
Outcome	Approved in full - subject to conditions
Referral assessment capacity	Advice
Matters referral assessment made against (S55(2))	The purpose of the *Electricity Act 1994* and *Electricity Safety Act* 2002
Reasons for decision (S56(7)(b))	The works do not conflict with: ▪ the objectives set out within Part 2, Section 3 of the Electricity Act 1994 ▪ the purpose of the Electricity Safety Act 2002 as set out within Part 1 Division 2 Section 4 & 5. The works do not adversely impact on the safe, efficient, and economically viable operation of the supply network.
Development Details	

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Applicant	James P Hilton and Kylie R Hilton
Assessment Manager	Douglas Shire Council
Council Application No.	ROL 2026_6006/1
Street Address	Cassowary Road, Cassowary
RPD	Lot 87 NR616 & Lot 39 SP144706
Development Type	Reconfiguring a Lot (Boundary Realignment - 2 Lots into 2 Lots)
Referral Trigger	☐ Schedule 10, Part 9, Division 2, Table 1, Item 1 (10.9.2.1.1) – Reconfiguring a lot subject to an easement for the benefit of a distribution entity under the Electricity Act for a supply network; or part of the lot is within 100m of a substation site
Impacted Electrical Infrastructure	Easement A on RP899188 – O/H 132kV Feeders 7200 & 7201 & Towwer 5105265 O/H 22kV Feeder 2CAS & Poles 5146319, 5146320

Ergon provides the following response to the application in accordance with Section 56(1) of the *Planning Act 2016*:

Component of Development	Advice Agency direction
ROL	☐ S56(1)(b)(i) – approval subject to stated development conditions

In accordance with Section 56(1) should the Assessment Manager decide to approve the proposed Development Application, as an Advice Agency, Ergon requires that the assessment manager impose the below conditions. These conditions have been imposed in response to the matters prescribed under Section 55 (2) of the *Planning Act 2016*.

Table 1			
Plans forming part of this Approval			
Title	*Plan No.*	*Issue*	*Date*
Updated Plan of Development	*ROL 2026_6006/1*	*1*	*3 October 2026*

Table 2			
Condition		Timing	Purpose/Reason
1	Carry out the approved development generally in accordance with the approved plans and	At all times	To ensure the development is carried out generally in accordance with

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	documents outlined within Table 1 of this approval and the following: ▪ The specifications, facts and circumstances as set out in the development application submitted to Ergon; and ▪ Where a discrepancy or conflict exists between the written conditions of the approval and the approved plans, the requirements of the written conditions prevail		the plans of development submitted within the application
2	Any alterations to the plans and document(s) identified within Table 1 of this response are to be resubmitted to Ergon for comment	At all times	To ensure the development is carried out generally in accordance with the plans of development submitted within the application

General Advice:

- Ergon's referral response is limited to the management of impacts on electrical infrastructure within its referral jurisdiction and does not assess or confirm electricity supply, network capacity, or connection requirements; proponents must undertake a separate connection enquiry via Ergon's Customer Portal to initiate investigations and obtain formal advice and approvals relating to network connections.

- Compliance with the Electrical Safety Act 2002, including any Code of Practice under the Act and the Electrical safety Regulation 2013 including any safety exclusion zones defined in the Regulation is mandatory

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Should any doubt exist in maintaining the prescribed clearance to the overhead conductors and electrical infrastructure then the applicant is obliged under the Act to seek advice from Ergon.

- Any costs incurred by Ergon as a result of the works on the easement are to be met by the property Developer / owner.

- This response does not constitute an approval to commence any works within the easement. Consent to commence works relevant to the conditions of the easement is required. All works on easement (including but not limited to earthworks, drainage and detention basins, road construction, underground and overhead services installation) require detailed submissions, assessment, and consent (or otherwise) by Ergon.

- All works proposed to be undertaken in close proximity to overhead or underground electrical lines are to be undertaken in accordance with Ergons's Works Practice Manual WP1323. This document refers to various standards, guidelines, calculations, legal requirements, technical details, and other information relevant to working near high voltage infrastructure. A copy of WP1323 can be found online via Ergon's document library (Document library | Ergon).

Should you require any further information on the above matter, please contact Harriet Veal on 0427 293 604 or via email at townplanning@ergon.com.au.

Yours faithfully,

Harriet Veal

Harriet Veal
A/-Senior Town Planner

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Reasons for Decision

1. The reasons for this decision are:
    a. Sections 60, 62 and 63 of the *Planning Act 2016*:
    b. to ensure the development satisfies the benchmarks of the 2018 Douglas Shire Planning Scheme Version 1.0; and
    c. to ensure compliance with the *Planning Act 2016*.
2. Findings on material questions of fact:
    a. the development application was properly made to the Douglas Shire Council on 28 May 2026 under section 51 of the *Planning Act 2016* and Part 1 of the *Development Assessment Rules*;
    b. the development application contained information from the applicant which Council reviewed together with Council's own assessment against the 2017 State Planning Policy and the 2018 Douglas Shire Planning Scheme Version 1.0 in making its assessment manager decision.
3. Evidence or other material on which findings were based:
    a. the development triggered assessable development under the Assessment Table associated with the Rural Zone code;
    b. Council undertook an assessment in accordance with the provisions of sections 60, 62 and 63 of the *Planning Act 2016*; and
    c. the applicant's reasons have been considered and the following findings are made:
        i. Subject to conditions, the development satisfactorily meets the Planning Scheme benchmarks.

Extracts from the Planning Act 2016 - Making Representations During Applicant's Appeal Period

Division 2 Changing development approvals

Subdivision 1 Changes during appeal period

74 What this subdivision is about

(1) This subdivision is about changing a development approval before the applicant's appeal period for the approval ends.

(2) This subdivision also applies to an approval of a change application, other than a change application for a minor change to a development approval.

(3) For subsection (2), sections 75 and 76 apply—

(a) as if a reference in section 75 to a development approval were a reference to an approval of a change application; and

(b) as if a reference in the sections to the assessment manager were a reference to the responsible entity; and

(c) as if a reference in section 76 to a development application were a reference to a change application; and

(d) as if the reference in section 76(3)(b) to section 63(2) and (3) were a reference to section 83(4); and

(e) with any other necessary changes.

75 Making change representations

(1) The applicant may make representations (***change representations***) to the assessment manager, during the applicant's appeal period for the development approval, about changing—

(a) a matter in the development approval, other than—

(i) a matter stated because of a referral agency's response; or

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(ii) a development condition imposed under a direction given by the Minister under part 6, division 2; or

(iii) a development condition imposed under a direction given by the chief executive under section 106ZF(2); or

(b) if the development approval is a deemed approval—the standard conditions taken to be included in the deemed approval under section 64(8)(d).

(2) If the applicant needs more time to make the change representations, the applicant may, during the applicant's appeal period for the approval, suspend the appeal period by a notice given to the assessment manager.

(3) Only 1 notice may be given.

(4) If a notice is given, the appeal period is suspended—

(a) if the change representations are not made within a period of 20 business days after the notice is given to the assessment manager—until the end of that period; or

(b) if the change representations are made within 20 business days after the notice is given to the assessment manager, until—

(i) the applicant withdraws the notice, by giving another notice to the assessment manager; or

(ii) the assessment manager gives the applicant the decision notice for the change representations; or

(iii) the end of 20 business days after the change representations are made, or a longer period agreed in writing between the applicant and the assessment manager.

(5) If the applicant makes the change representations during the appeal period without giving a notice under subsection (2), the appeal period is suspended from the day the representations are made until—

(a) the applicant withdraws the change representations by notice given to the assessment manager; or

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(b) the assessment manager gives the applicant the decision notice for the change representations; or

(c) the end of 20 business days after the change representations are made, or a longer period agreed in writing between the applicant and the assessment manager.

(6) Despite subsections (4) and (5), if the decision notice mentioned in subsection (4)(b)(ii) or (5)(b) is a negotiated decision notice, the appeal period starts again on the day after the negotiated decision notice is given.

76 Deciding change representations

(1) The assessment manager must assess the change representations against and having regard to the matters that must be considered when assessing a development application, to the extent those matters are relevant.

Note—

For change representations for a development approval for development requiring social impact assessment, see also section 106ZI.

(2) The assessment manager must, within 5 business days after deciding the change representations, give a decision notice to—

(a) the applicant; and

(b) if the assessment manager agrees with any of the change representations—

(i) each principal submitter; and

(ii) each referral agency; and

(iii) if the assessment manager is not a local government and the development is in a local government area—the relevant local government; and

(iv) if the assessment manager is a chosen assessment manager—the prescribed assessment manager; and

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(v) another person prescribed by regulation.

(3) A decision notice (a ***negotiated decision notice***) that states the assessment manager agrees with a change representation must—

(a) state the nature of the change agreed to; and

(b) comply with section 63(2) and (3).

(4) A negotiated decision notice replaces the decision notice for the development application.

(5) Only 1 negotiated decision notice may be given.

(6) If a negotiated decision notice is given to an applicant, a local government may give a replacement infrastructure charges notice to the applicant.

Subdivision 2 Changes after appeal period

77 What this subdivision is about

This subdivision is about changing a development approval, other than the currency period, after all appeal periods in relation to the approval end.

78 Making change application

(1) A person may make an application (a ***change application***) to change a development approval.

Notes—

1 For the making of a change application for a development approval that was a PDA development approval, see also the *Economic Development Act 2012*, sections 51AM, 51AN and 51AO.

2 For the making of a change application for a development approval that was an SDA approval, see also the State Development Act, sections 85ZB, 85ZC and 85ZD.

(2) A change application must be made to the responsible entity for the application.

Extracts from the Planning Act 2016 – Appeal Rights

(2) The person is taken to have engaged in the representative's conduct, unless the person proves the person could not have prevented the conduct by exercising reasonable diligence.

(3) In this section—

conduct means an act or omission.

representative means—

(a) of a corporation—an executive officer, employee or agent of the corporation; or

(b) of an individual—an employee or agent of the individual.

state of mind, of a person, includes the person's—

(a) knowledge, intention, opinion, belief or purpose; and

(b) reasons for the intention, opinion, belief or purpose.

Chapter 6 Dispute resolution

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(1) Schedule 1 states—

(a) matters that may be appealed to—

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(iii) only the P&E Court; and

(b) the person—

(i) who may appeal a matter (the ***appellant***); and

(ii) who is a respondent in an appeal of the matter; and

(iii) who is a co-respondent in an appeal of the matter; and

(iv) who may elect to be a co-respondent in an appeal of the matter.

Note—

For limitations on appeal rights in relation to a development approval for development requiring social impact assessment, see section 106ZJ.

(2) An appellant may start an appeal within the appeal period.

(3) The ***appeal period*** is—

(a) for an appeal by a building advisory agency—10 business days after a decision notice for the decision is given to the agency; or

(b) for an appeal against a deemed refusal—at any time after the deemed refusal happens; or

(c) for an appeal against a decision of the Minister, under chapter 7, part 4, to register premises or to renew the registration of premises—20 business days after a notice is published under section 269(3)(a) or (4); or

(d) for an appeal against a decision of the Minister, under chapter 7, part 4, to amend the registration of premises to include additional land in the affected area for the premises—20 business days after the day a notice is published under section 269A(2)(a); or

(e) for an appeal against an infrastructure charges notice—20 business days after the infrastructure charges notice is given to the person; or

(f) for an appeal about a deemed approval of a development application for which a decision notice has not been given—30 business days after the applicant gives the deemed approval notice to the assessment manager; or

(g) for an appeal relating to the *Plumbing and Drainage Act 2018*—

(i) for an appeal against an enforcement notice given because of a belief mentioned in the *Plumbing and*

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Drainage Act 2018, section 143(2)(a)(i), (b) or (c)—5 business days after the day the notice is given; or

(ii) for an appeal against a decision of a local government or an inspector to give an action notice under the *Plumbing and Drainage Act 2018*—5 business days after the notice is given; or

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(iv) otherwise—20 business days after the day the notice is given; or

(h) for any other appeal—20 business days after a notice of the decision for the matter, including an enforcement notice, is given to the person.

Note—

See the P&E Court Act for the court's power to extend the appeal period.

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(a) the adopted charge itself; or

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(3) The appellant or, for an appeal to a tribunal, the registrar, must, within the service period, give a copy of the notice of appeal to—

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(b) each co-respondent for the appeal; and

(c) for an appeal about a development application under schedule 1, section 1, table 1, item 1—each principal submitter for the application whose submission has not been withdrawn; and

(d) for an appeal about a change application under schedule 1, section 1, table 1, item 2—each principal submitter for the application whose submission has not been withdrawn; and

(e) each person who may elect to be a co-respondent for the appeal other than an eligible submitter for a development application or change application the subject of the appeal; and

(f) for an appeal to the P&E Court—the chief executive; and

(g) for an appeal to a tribunal under another Act—any other person who the registrar considers appropriate.

(4) The ***service period*** is—

(a) if a submitter or advice agency started the appeal in the P&E Court—2 business days after the appeal is started; or

(b) otherwise—10 business days after the appeal is started.

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(5) A notice of appeal given to a person who may elect to be a co-respondent must state the effect of subsection (6).

(6) A person elects to be a co-respondent to an appeal by filing a notice of election in the approved form—

(a) if a copy of the notice of appeal is given to the person—within 10 business days after the copy is given to the person; or

(b) otherwise—within 15 business days after the notice of appeal is lodged with the registrar of the tribunal or the P&E Court.

(7) Despite any other Act or rules of court to the contrary, a copy of a notice of appeal may be given to the chief executive by emailing the copy to the chief executive at the email address stated on the department's website for this purpose.

231 Non-appealable decisions and matters

(1) Subject to this chapter, section 316(2), schedule 1 and the P&E Court Act, unless the Supreme Court decides a decision or other matter under this Act is affected by jurisdictional error, the decision or matter is non-appealable.

(2) The *Judicial Review Act 1991*, part 5 applies to the decision or matter to the extent it is affected by jurisdictional error.

(3) A person who, but for subsection (1) could have made an application under the *Judicial Review Act 1991* in relation to the decision or matter, may apply under part 4 of that Act for a statement of reasons in relation to the decision or matter.

(4) In this section—

decision includes—

(a) conduct engaged in for the purpose of making a decision; and

(b) other conduct that relates to the making of a decision; and

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(c) the making of a decision or the failure to make a decision; and

(d) a purported decision; and

(e) a deemed refusal.

non-appealable, for a decision or matter, means the decision or matter—

(a) is final and conclusive; and

(b) may not be challenged, appealed against, reviewed, quashed, set aside or called into question in any other way under the *Judicial Review Act 1991* or otherwise, whether by the Supreme Court, another court, any tribunal or another entity; and

(c) is not subject to any declaratory, injunctive or other order of the Supreme Court, another court, any tribunal or another entity on any ground.

232 Rules of the P&E Court

(1) A person who is appealing to the P&E Court must comply with the rules of the court that apply to the appeal.

(2) However, the P&E Court may hear and decide an appeal even if the person has not complied with rules of the P&E Court.

Part 2 Development tribunal

Division 1 General

233 Appointment of referees

(1) The Minister, or chief executive, (the ***appointer***) may appoint a person to be a referee, by an appointment notice, if the appointer considers the person—

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(f) for an appeal to the P&E Court—the chief executive; and

(g) for an appeal to a tribunal under another Act—any other person who the registrar considers appropriate.

(4) The ***service period*** is—

(a) if a submitter or advice agency started the appeal in the P&E Court—2 business days after the appeal is started; or

(b) otherwise—10 business days after the appeal is started.

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(5) A notice of appeal given to a person who may elect to be a co-respondent must state the effect of subsection (6).

(6) A person elects to be a co-respondent to an appeal by filing a notice of election in the approved form—

(a) if a copy of the notice of appeal is given to the person—within 10 business days after the copy is given to the person; or

(b) otherwise—within 15 business days after the notice of appeal is lodged with the registrar of the tribunal or the P&E Court.

(7) Despite any other Act or rules of court to the contrary, a copy of a notice of appeal may be given to the chief executive by emailing the copy to the chief executive at the email address stated on the department's website for this purpose.

231 Non-appealable decisions and matters

(1) Subject to this chapter, section 316(2), schedule 1 and the P&E Court Act, unless the Supreme Court decides a decision or other matter under this Act is affected by jurisdictional error, the decision or matter is non-appealable.

(2) The *Judicial Review Act 1991*, part 5 applies to the decision or matter to the extent it is affected by jurisdictional error.

(3) A person who, but for subsection (1) could have made an application under the *Judicial Review Act 1991* in relation to the decision or matter, may apply under part 4 of that Act for a statement of reasons in relation to the decision or matter.

(4) In this section—

decision includes—

(a) conduct engaged in for the purpose of making a decision; and

(b) other conduct that relates to the making of a decision; and

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(c) the making of a decision or the failure to make a decision; and

(d) a purported decision; and

(e) a deemed refusal.

non-appealable, for a decision or matter, means the decision or matter—

(a) is final and conclusive; and

(b) may not be challenged, appealed against, reviewed, quashed, set aside or called into question in any other way under the *Judicial Review Act 1991* or otherwise, whether by the Supreme Court, another court, any tribunal or another entity; and

(c) is not subject to any declaratory, injunctive or other order of the Supreme Court, another court, any tribunal or another entity on any ground.

232 Rules of the P&E Court

(1) A person who is appealing to the P&E Court must comply with the rules of the court that apply to the appeal.

(2) However, the P&E Court may hear and decide an appeal even if the person has not complied with rules of the P&E Court.

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Division 1 General

233 Appointment of referees

(1) The Minister, or chief executive, (the ***appointer***) may appoint a person to be a referee, by an appointment notice, if the appointer considers the person—

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