

19 June 2026

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**Our Ref:** MCUC 2026\_5954/1 (Doc ID: 1374124)  
**Your Ref:** 2026-06-62 - NEWMAN

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Dear Sir/Madam

**INFORMATION REQUEST**  
**(Given under Section 12 of the Development Assessment Rules)**

Council refers to your development application that was received on 09/06/2026. The development application included a geotechnical assessment dated April 2006, prepared by Cairns Engineering Testing Services (CETS). It is understood that since the assessment was undertaken, a significant landslip has occurred on the subject land adjacent to the front road boundary. To remediate the area impacted by the landslip, retaining structures have been constructed. A review of Council records shows that no building work approval or structural certification has issued over the retaining structure/s.

An inspection of the retaining wall undertaken from the road reserve shows that the retaining structure/s may be inadequate, as indicated by tension wire pinning the wall to crest of the slip, warping of the retaining wall and timber props placed between the retaining wall and existing shed. As a result of these observations and absence of certification and permits, the stability of the slope cannot be confirmed.

**Applicant Details**

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**Property Details**

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Street Address: 18 Hibiscus Court Rocky Point  
Real Property Description: Lot 28 on RP749732  
Local Government Area: Douglas Shire Council

## Application Details

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Application Number:	MCUC 2026_5954/1
Approval Sought:	Development Permit
Nature of Development Proposed:	Material Change of Use (Code)
Description of the Development Proposed:	Material Change of Use- Dwelling house

## Additional Information Requested

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The following additional information is requested to complete an assessment of the application:

### Slope Stability Assessment

1. Please provide a reassessment of the sites slope stability prepared by a Registered Professional Engineer Queensland (RPEQ), being an experienced Geotechnical Engineer. The risk assessment should be undertaken in accordance with the Association of Geotechnical and Geoenvironmental Specialists (AGS) 2007 guidelines. The assessment should address but not be limited to the following;
  - i. a slope stability assessment of the final site geometry showing the site is stable;
  - ii. the landslip area to the north of the site;
  - iii. a treatment to stabilise the slip above the retaining wall;
  - iv. assessment of the existing retaining wall adjacent to the front road boundary;
  - v. if required, a more suitable design to replace the existing retaining wall including drainage solution, elevations, cross sections and footing details;
  - vi. design of the proposed retaining walls associated with the construction of the proposed dwelling; and
  - vii. a detailed drainage and sediment and erosion control plan.

### Wastewater System and Land Application Area

2. Please provide a plan prepared by a suitably qualified person that shows the setback from the existing wastewater system and land application area to the proposed dwelling.

The setbacks must comply with the requirements of the *Queensland Plumbing and Drainage Act 2018*.

## Due Date

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The due date for providing the requested information is **19 September 2026** accordance with section 14.2 of the Development Assessment Rules, if you do not provide a response before the above due date (or a further agreed period), it will be taken as if you have decided not to respond to the information request and Council will continue with the assessment of the application.

## Other

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Please quote Council's application number: MCUC 2026\_5954/1 in all subsequent correspondence relating to this development application.

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

Yours faithfully



**For**  
**Leonard Vogel**  
**Manager Environment & Planning**