**OUR REF:** OP 334/2014 (426481)

12 August 2014

Montawood Pty Ltd 9 Davidson Street PORT DOUGLAS QLD 4877

Attention: Ms Lillian Nagan

Dear Madam

## RECEIPT OF DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION OPERATIONAL WORKS – ADVERTISING DEVICE 9 DAVIDSON STREET, PORT DOUGLAS

Reference is made to your recent Development Application for an Advertising Device to be located at the frontage of the Port Douglas Motel, 9 Davidson Street, Port Douglas.

A site inspection was undertaken on 14 August 2014 and it was noted that the proposed location of the Advertising Device, as detailed on the Site Plan submitted with the application, is to be in line with Devices located outside 'Verandahs' and 'Aqueous' holiday accommodation on adjoining land to the north of the subject site. This would position the Advertising Device on State-controlled road reserve and outside the boundary of 9 Davidson Street.

The proposed location of the Device changes the land use type and level of assessment to that of a Material Change of Use for an Off-Premises Advertising Device, which is an Impact Assessable (Inconsistent) land use and is not supported by the 2008 Douglas Shire Planning Scheme and is unlikely to be supported by Council officers. Such application would require landowner's consent from the Department of Transport and Main Roads to be properly made. Impact assessable applications require public notification and are usually decided at a meeting of the Council.

Should you wish to move forward with the current application, please submit an amended Site Plan showing the Advertising Device located within the boundary of 9 Davidson Street. An image or artist's impression of the sign should also be provided.

Council has noted the Advertising Devices placed unlawfully on road reserve outside 'Verandahs' and 'Aqueous' and will undertake compliance action to have the Devices removed or relocated to within the subject property boundaries.

Should you require any further information or assistance, please contact Susanna Andrews of Development and Environment on telephone number 07 4099 9456.

Yours faithfully

Donna Graham Manager Development & Environment