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ATTENTION: TO MAJOR, COUNCILLORS AND CEO OF THE DOUGLAS SHIRE COUNCIL

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IN REFERENCE TO THE 150-SITE TOURIST PARK AND WORKER'S ACCOMMODATION: The
DSC Planning Scheme 9.3.15.2(b)

We strongly object to this application. We want to be clear from the outset that our objection is not to tourism or to accommodation development in Port Douglas. It is to this specific development, on this specific site, in a location that poses real and unassessed risks to people's homes at Cree's Creek, and the Great Barrier Reef. Also this area is low lying and regularly experiences annual heavy rainfall and flooding and was majorly affected during Cyclone Jasper.

The planning report acknowledges that the site is affected by flood and storm tide hazard overlays and that filling of parts of the site (3.314 metres) is required to achieve the proposed development levels. This may create greater sediment movement during construction, displace flood water, and no doubt will redirect water towards neighbouring properties and surrounding land and increase the long term flood risk. It may also impact the environmental values and water quality of Cree's Creek, nearby mangrove communities and the Dickson Inlet catchment area.

The proposed sewer main alignment indicates that a sewer main is proposed to connect to existing Douglas Shire Council infrastructure, with alignment extending through adjoining land and in close proximity to existing residential properties. This is a concern also especially during our wet season and can become very unsafe with sewerage water overflowing into people's properties in close proximity.

Access to the proposed development relies on the Captain Cook Highway and road upgrades. The section of the road is a 100kph area which is very prone to accidents. With increased traffic and traffic disruptions during construction it will impact on local traffic and the safety of motorist, cyclists and cause delays to transport companies delivering essential items to northern businesses and consumers.

We urge Douglas Shire Council to give consideration to the environmental impact of Cree's Creek, mangrove corridor and the Dickson Inlet catchment area and in particular storm water run off and waste management, chemical usage and **DISRUPTION TO LOCAL WILDLIFE**. We are particularly concerned about the Risk of sewer overflows/ malfunctions particularly during times of flooding that would increase pressure on surrounding environmental and infrastructure systems and become very unsafe for human care.

N.B: This could become another white elephant and also who would carry out all the maintenance on the Park and take responsibility if it all fails.

Kind Regards

