

19th December, 2025

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Re: Properly Made Submission - Letter of Support – Development Application at Lot 7 Camelot Close, Cape Tribulation (Council Ref: MCUI 2025_5768/1)

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing on behalf of Rod and Anne Colquhoun to express our enthusiastic support for the mixed-use Development Application at Lot 7 Camelot Close, Cape Tribulation. Please accept this written notice as a properly made submission in support of the proposed development (Council Ref: MCUI 2025_5768/1.)

Like many locals, I saw first-hand the impact of Cyclone Jasper in 2023 when fuel supplies ran out and businesses struggled to keep generators running. Having a reliable service station in Cape Tribulation is not just convenient — it is essential for community safety, emergency response, and the survival of local tourism operators. This development will help ensure that our community is better prepared for future events.

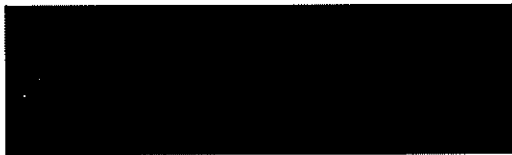
I also support the inclusion of a small shop and food outlet. Cape Tribulation is a remote area, and having access to basic goods and services locally will reduce the need for long trips south, which is especially important when roads are cut off.

Importantly, I note that the proposal has been designed to respect the environment. The plans show that vegetation along Cape Tribulation Road will be retained to screen the buildings, and the use of muted colours and timber will help the development blend into the rainforest setting. The cabins proposed in Stage 3 are low-impact and will attract eco-tourists who value the natural beauty of the Daintree.

In my view, this project strikes the right balance between meeting community needs and protecting the environment. It will provide resilience, jobs, and services while maintaining the scenic character of Cape Tribulation.

For these reasons, I strongly support the application and encourage Council to approve it.

Yours sincerely,

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