

Appendix D – Iconic Oil Palm Response (Pure Projects)

Fairmont Port Douglas – RFI Response

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Item 7 :

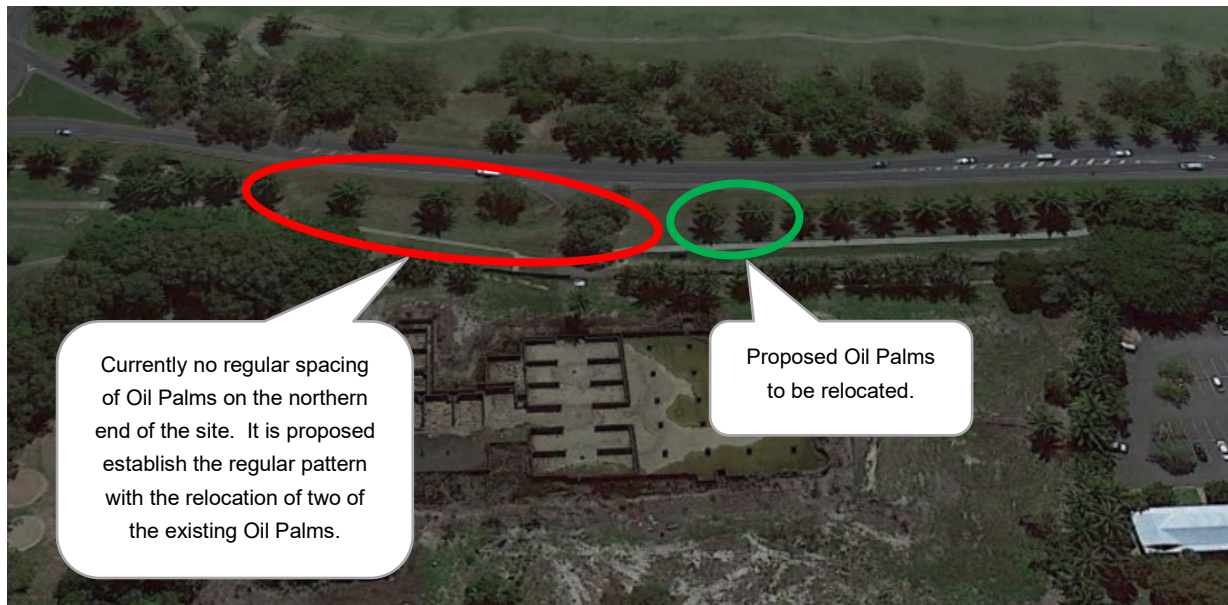
The proposal includes to remove at least three iconic Oil Palms for the construction of the main access to the site. This conflicts with the purpose of the Port Douglas and Craiglie Local Plan Code as the iconic Oil Palms are required to be retained. Amend the access design and demonstrate how the iconic Oil Palms can be retained.

Response :

We have reviewed the location of the Oil Palms in relation to the driveway crossover and based on the analysis we can not fit the driveway between two pairs of Oli Palms without potentially disturbing the root systems, in the Landscape design by Durie Design the effected Oil Palms have been documented to be relocated in a professional manner.

In support of the crossover location GTA our Traffic Consultant have looked at the location of the crossover and the location is the furthest north we can go on the site to allow sufficient distance from the round about for a left turn into the project for guests into the main Porte Cochere as they are heading south on Port Douglas Road.

On review of the Oil Palm layouts we note to Council as per the image below it is clear that the regular spacing of the Oil Palms is not along the full length of the current site.



The proposed relocation of the effected Oil Palms will be located so that the regular spacing continues to the northern end of the site.