

# Kings Court Reserve Protection Group

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The General Manager  
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**Attention: Regulatory Services Group**  
Your Ref: Report No. DC08174

Dear Sir/Madam

**Re: Ballina – Lennox Head Recycled Water Master Plan EIS**

I refer to the subject matter and in particular to a meeting that was held with representatives from the Kings Court Reserve Protection Group (KCRPG), the Lennox Head Residents Association, Lennox Head Chamber of Commerce and Council's Mr John Truman (Manager – Civil Services Group), Mr Rod Dawson (Manager – Water, Sewer and Waste) and Mr David Williamson (Strategic Project Manager, NSW Office of Public Works) on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2009.

For your information, the KCRPG was recently formed as a consequence of the local community being made aware of Council's proposal to construct a 26m diameter x 6m high reclaimed treated effluent reservoir on the Kings Court public reserve as part of the Ballina-Lennox Head recycled water scheme. As you will become aware in the next several weeks, the local community is vehemently opposed to the siting of such reservoir on this public reserve.

The 7<sup>th</sup> October 2009 meeting was arranged by Mr Truman to discuss issues with respect to the location of the proposed Lennox Head reclaimed treated effluent reservoir.

At this meeting, Mr Truman advised that he will be providing a report to Council's Ordinary Meeting on 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2009 in respect of the various location options for the reservoir. Mr Truman has advised that the purpose of the report is to enable Council (as the proponent) to consider whether or not it wishes to amend the proposal (with respect to the reservoir location) within the EIS. Mr Truman has advised that the report is being provided to enable residents and Council to consider the matter, at least initially outside of the statutory process.

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As you would be aware, the exhibition period for the EIS closes on the 30<sup>th</sup> October 2009. The KCRPG, Lennox Head Residents Association, Lennox Head Heritage Sub-committee and the Lennox Head Chamber of Commerce, jointly request that a 4 week extension of time be granted to the exhibition period, enabling submissions to be received by Council up until the 30<sup>th</sup> November 2009. This extension of time is sought as a consequence of the following:

- The EIS is a very large document (over 600 pages) that contains a significant amount of technical information as well as a number of major infrastructure components, the location of which will have major social and environmental impacts and implications – as a consequence of such, all of this information needs to be disseminated and digested fully by the local community – it is submitted that the exhibition period is not sufficient to enable such to occur.
- A number of meetings have been held and are continuing to be held by various resident community groups which can take a long time to arrange and convene.
- The outcomes from the Council's consideration of Mr Truman's report at the 22<sup>nd</sup> Ordinary Meeting will not be known until the minutes of the meeting have been compiled and will have to be disseminated to and considered by the local community – the outcome of this meeting may have significant implications in respect of the form and content of the EIS and the options for the location of the reservoir.

We trust that Council will grant this extension of time due to the complexity of the issues, the potential social and economic impacts and the importance of the scheme to the local community and environment.

We respectfully await a response at your earliest convenience.

Thank you for your consideration.

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