# **DETERMINATION AND STATEMENT OF REASONS**

WOLLONGONG CITY COUNCIL – WOLLONGONG LOCAL PLANNING PANEL (WLPP)

| DATE OF DETERMINATION | 13 March 2019                                                                                |
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| PANEL MEMBERS         | Robert Montgomery (Chair), Scott Lee, Larissa Ozog, Edger du Bois (Community Representative) |

Public meeting held at Wollongong City Council, Level 9 Function Room, 41 Burelli Street, Wollongong on 13 March 2019 opened at 5:00pm and closed at 7:12pm.

#### MATTER DETERMINED

DA-2018/1531 – Lot 2 DP 329046 and Lot A DP 392508, 178-180 Lawrence Hargrave Drive, Thirroul (as described in detail in schedule 1).

## **PUBLIC SUBMISSIONS**

The Panel was addressed by six submitters and was also provided with a written submission from another submitter.

The Panel also heard from the applicant's representatives who addressed a number of issues raised by the submitters and answered questions from the Panel.

### PANEL CONSIDERATION AND DECISION

The Panel considered the matters listed at item 7, and the material presented at the meeting and the matters observed at site inspections listed at item 8 in Schedule 1.

The Panel determined to approve the development application as described in Schedule 1 pursuant to section 4.16 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.

The decision was unanimous.

#### REASONS FOR THE DECISION

The reasons for the decision of the Panel were:

- The bulk, scale and form of the development is a substantial improvement on the development which was previously refused by the Panel.
- The potential impacts on neighbouring properties have been properly dealt with through window placement, orientation of buildings and overall design.
- The parking is compliant with the DCP and provides a better outcome in terms of access to Lawrence Hargrave Drive compared to the previous application and the existing situation.
- Overall it is considered that the proposal is an appropriate design response to the site which satisfies the relevant statutory provisions.

### **CONDITIONS**

The development application was approved subject to the conditions in the Council Assessment Report.

| PANEL MEMBERS                |                                             |
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| Robert Montgomery<br>(Chair) | Scott Lee                                   |
| 2030g ·                      | Edger du Bois<br>(Community Representative) |

| SCHEDULE 1 |                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |  |
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| 1          | DA NO.                            | DA-2018/1531                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |  |
| 2          | PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT              | Residential - demolition of existing structures, remediation works, tree removals and Subdivision boundary adjustment, construction of a dual occupancy on each new lot and subsequent Torrens title two (2) lots Subdivision of each dual occupancy                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |  |
| 3          | STREET ADDRESS                    | 178-180 Lawrence Hargrave Drive, Thirroul                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |  |
| 4          | APPLICANT                         | Illawarra Property Holdings Pty Limited                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |  |
| 5          | REASON FOR REFERRAL               | Part 2 of Schedule 2 of the Local Planning Panels Direction, as the Development Application is considered contentious development, having received more than 10 unique submissions by way of objection.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |  |
| 6          | RELEVANT MANDATORY CONSIDERATIONS | <ul> <li>Environmental planning instruments:         <ul> <li>State Environmental Planning Policy (State and Regional Development) 2011</li> <li>State Environmental Planning Policy (Infrastructure) 2007</li> <li>State Environmental Planning Policy No 55 – Remediation of Land</li> <li>State Environmental Planning Policy (Building Sustainability Index: BASIX) 2004</li> <li>State Environmental Planning Policy (Vegetation in Non-Rural Areas) 2017</li> <li>State Environmental Planning Policy (Coastal Protection) 2018</li> <li>Wollongong Local Environment Plan 2009</li> </ul> </li> <li>Wollongong Section 94A Development Contributions Plan</li> <li>Draft environmental planning instruments: Nil</li> <li>Development control plans:         <ul> <li>Wollongong Development Control Plan 2009</li> </ul> </li> <li>Planning agreements: Nil</li> <li>Provisions of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000: N/A</li> <li>Coastal zone management plan: Nil</li> <li>The likely impacts of the development, including environmental impacts on the natural and built environment and social and economic impacts in the locality</li> <li>The suitability of the site for the development</li> <li>Any submissions made in accordance with the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 or regulations</li> <li>The public interest, including the principles of ecologically sustainable development</li> </ul> |  |
| 7          | MATERIAL CONSIDERED BY THE PANEL  | <ul> <li>Council assessment report dated 13 March 2019</li> <li>Written submissions during public exhibition: 12</li> <li>Verbal submissions at the public meeting: six</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |  |
| 8          | SITE INSPECTIONS BY THE PANEL     | Site inspection 13 March 2019. Attendees:  o Panel members: Robert Montgomery (Chair), Scott Lee, Larissa Ozog, Edger du Bois (Community Representative)  o Council assessment staff: John Wood, Jessica Saunders                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |  |
| 9          | COUNCIL RECOMMENDATION            | Approve                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |  |
| 10         | DRAFT CONDITIONS                  | Attached to the council assessment report                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |  |