



DEVELOPMENT CONSENT AUTHORITY

TENNANT CREEK DIVISION

MINUTES

MEETING NO. 67 - TUESDAY 30 JULY 2024

OUT OF SESSION

MEMBERS: Suzanne Philip (Chair), Deepika Mathur and Len Holbrok.

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ITEM 1 **TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITY (S-BAND DOPPLER WEATHER RADAR)**
PA2024/0039 **WITH A ~34M HIGH RADOME AND ASSOCIATED EQUIPMENT SHELTERS**
NT PORTION 4440, TENNANT CREEK

APPLICANT GHD Pty Ltd

RESOLVED That, the Development Consent Authority vary the requirements of Clause
06/24 5.2.6.1 (Landscaping in Zones Other Than Zone CB) and Clause 5.8.10
 (Telecommunications Facility) of the Northern Territory Planning Scheme 2020,
 and pursuant to section 53(a) of the *Planning Act 1999*, consent to the application
 to develop part of NT Portion 4440, 234 Peko Road, Tennant Creek for the
 purpose of a telecommunications facility (S-Band Doppler weather radar) with a
 ~30.5m high radome and associated equipment shelters), subject to the following
 conditions;

GENERAL CONDITIONS

1. The works carried out under this permit shall be in accordance with the drawings endorsed as forming part of this permit.
2. The owner of the land must enter into agreements with the relevant authorities for the provision of electricity services to the development shown on the endorsed drawings in accordance with the authorities' requirements and relevant legislation at the time. Please refer to notation 3 for further information.
3. Any developments on or adjacent to any easements on site shall be carried out to the requirements of the relevant service authority to the satisfaction of the consent authority.
4. Prior to issue of a Certificate of Compliance (section 65 *Planning Act 1999*) written confirmation is required verifying that the lease agreement (or similar) allows unrestricted legal access and egress, to the development/use approved by this permit, over NT Portions 565 and 4440 to a 'public road'.
5. The kerb crossover and driveway to the telecommunications facility from the Ruger Road carriageway approved by this permit are to meet the technical standards of the Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics and/or the Barkly Regional Council (whichever the case may be), to the satisfaction of the consent authority.
6. Storm water associated with works approved by this permit is to be collected and discharged into the drainage network to the technical standards of and at no cost to the Transport and Civil Services Division, Land Development Unit and Crown Land Estate Division of the Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics, to the satisfaction of the consent authority.

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7. Before the use starts, an Environmental Management Plan for the management and operation of the use must be prepared to the requirements of an independent suitably qualified professional and approved by the consent authority on the advice of the Power and Water Corporation. When approved, the plan will be endorsed and will then form part of the permit. The Environmental Management Plan must include:
 - (a) overall environmental objectives for the operation of the use and techniques for their achievement;
 - (b) monitoring systems for Radio Frequency (RF) and Electromagnetic Energy (EME) levels (to ensure they are within acceptable environmental parameters / exposure limits eg: *Guidelines for the Siting and Exposure of Meteorological Instruments and Observing Facilities / Telecommunications Act 1997* and do not interfere with the operation of Power and Water Corporation's infrastructure)
 - (c) details of the site specific Job Safety Environment Analysis and site induction for the facility/use which have regard to the proximity of administrative NT Portion 4541 and its associated operations
 - (d) details of content of signage to be installed on the facility (explaining management arrangements, access restrictions etc).

NOTES:

1. This development permit does not grant "building approval" for the proposed structure and you are advised to contact a registered private Building Certifier to ensure that you have attained all necessary approvals before commencing demolition or construction works.
2. Any proposed works which fall within the scope of the *Construction Industry Long Service Leave and Benefits Act 2005* must be notified to NT Build by lodgement of the required Project Notification Form. Payment of any levy must be made prior to the commencement of any construction activity. NT Build should be contacted via email (info@ntbuild.com.au) or by phone on (08) 89364070 to determine if the proposed works are subject to the Act.
3. The Power and Water Corporation advises that the Water and Sewer Services Development Section (waterdevelopment@powerwater.com.au) and Power Network Engineering Section (powerconnections@powerwater.com.au) should be contacted via email a minimum of 1 month prior to construction works commencing in order to determine the Corporation's servicing requirements, and the need for upgrading of on-site and/or surrounding infrastructure.
4. A "Permit to Work Within a Road Reserve" (or similar) may be required from Transport and Civil Services Division and/or Crown Land Estate of the Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics and Barkly Regional Council before commencement of any work within the road reserves or Crown Land. (NT Portion 4440, Peko Road, Ruger Road).
5. Notwithstanding the approved drawings, all signage is subject to Barkly Regional Council approval, at no cost to Council.

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6. The Aboriginal Areas Protection Authority recommends that the permit holder obtain an Authority Certificate to indemnify against prosecution under the *Northern Territory Aboriginal Sacred Sites Act 1989*. For advice on how to obtain a certificate please contact the Aboriginal Areas Protection Authority.
7. The permit holder is advised that it is an offence to disturb or destroy prescribed archaeological places without consent under the *Heritage Act 2011*. Should any heritage or archaeological material be discovered during the construction, cease operation and please phone Heritage Branch of the Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities.
8. The Department of Environment, Parks and Water Security advises that construction work should be conducted in accordance with the Authority's Noise Guidelines for Development Sites in the Northern Territory. The guidelines specify that on-site construction activities are restricted to between 7am and 7pm Monday to Saturday and 9am to 6pm Sunday and Public Holidays. For construction activities outside these hours refer to the guidelines for further information.
9. Professional advice regarding implementation of soil erosion control and dust control measures to be employed throughout the construction phase of the development are available from the Department of Environment, Parks and Water Security. Information can be obtained from the IECA Best Practice Erosion and Sediment Control Guidelines 2008 available at www.austieca.com.au and the NTG website <https://nt.gov.au/environment/soil-land-vegetation>.
10. There are statutory obligations under the *Waste Management and Pollution Control Act 1998* (the Act), that require all persons to take all measures that are reasonable and practicable to prevent or minimise pollution or environmental harm and reduce the amount of waste. The proponent is required to comply at all times with the Act, including the General Environmental Duty under Section 12 of the Act. There is also a requirement to obtain an authorisation prior to conducting any of the activities listed in Schedule 2 of the Act. Guidelines to assist proponents to avoid environmental impacts are available on the Northern Territory Environment Protection Authority website at <https://ntepa.nt.gov.au/publications-and-advice/environmental-management>.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

1. Pursuant to section 51(1)(a) of the *Planning Act 1999*, in considering a development application the consent authority must take into account the planning scheme that applies to the land to which the application relates.

The NT Planning Scheme 2020 (NTPS2020) applies to the land which is zoned R (Rural).

The development application (as amended) is to construct and operate a Doppler weather radar for the Bureau of Meteorology – technically part of

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its “telecommunications network”. Therefore, all aspects of the proposed development / land use is consistent with the “telecommunications facility” NTPS2020 definition.

Under Clause 1.8 (When development consent is required), the proposed ‘telecommunications facility’ requires consent - as specified in sub-clause 1(c)(i) of Clause 1.8 it is shown as “Impact Assessable” in Zone R.

Sub-clause 4 of Clause 1.10 specifies that - *in considering an application for consent for a use or development identified as Impact Assessable the consent authority must take into account all of the following:*

- (a) *any relevant requirements, including the purpose of the requirements, as set out in Parts 5 or 6;*
- (b) *any Overlays and associated requirements in Part 3 that apply to the land;*
- (c) *the guidance provided by the relevant zone purpose and outcomes in Part 4, or Schedule 4.1 Specific Use Zones; and*
- (d) *any component of the Strategic Framework relevant to the land as set out in Part 2.*

No Area Plan(s) apply to the subject land or locality.

There is no specific guidance for ‘telecommunications facilities’ contained within the Tennant Creek Land Use Plan. Policy statements 3.5 (Rural Areas), 3.9 (Natural and Conservation Areas) and 3.10 (Community Facilities and Services) are considered relevant - the development will be on Crown land (part NT Portion 4440) with new works adjacent to an existing water tank (Zoned Utilities). The application included an AAPA Authority Certificate for the location of works and the facility is considered to be of net benefit to the community and consistent with the overall intent of the Land Use Plan.

The zone purpose and outcomes of Clause 4.21 (Zone (Rural)) of the NTPS2020, and requirements listed in:

- Clause 3.2 (CNV – Clearing of Native Vegetation);
- Clause 3.8 (LADR – Land Adjacent to a Designated Road)
- Clause 5.2.4.1 (Car Parking Spaces)
- Clause 5.2.6.1 (Landscaping in Zones Other Than Zone CB)
- Clause 5.8.10 (Telecommunications Facility)

are all relevant to the subject site and proposed development and use.

The application (as amended) has been assessed as compliant with Clause 3.2 and Clause 5.2.4.1 as well as Outcome statements 5 and 8 for Zone R (Rural).

Clause 3.8 (LADR – Land Adjacent to a Designated Road)

There will be no direct access to the location of the facility via the existing public road reserve (eg: Peko Road, which is a designated road referenced in Clause 3.8 (LADR – Land Adjacent to a Designated Road)). Therefore, Clause 3.8 is not applicable to the subdivision application. Condition 4 of the permit is intended to ensure that legal access to the facility over NT Portions 565 and 4440 from the lease area, to a public road is maintained at all times.

Clause 5.2.6.1 (Landscaping in Zones Other Than Zone CB)

Requirement 3 of Clause 5.2.6.1 specifies that - *where landscaping is required by this Scheme it should be designed so that:*

- (a) planting is focused on the area within the street frontage setbacks side setbacks, communal open space areas and uncovered car parking areas;*
- (b) it maximises efficient use of water and is appropriate to the local climate;*
- (c) it takes into account the existing streetscape, or any landscape strategy in relation to the area;*
- (d) significant trees and vegetation that contribute to the character and amenity of the site and the streetscape are retained;*
- (e) energy conservation of a building is assisted having regard to the need for shade and sunlight at varying times of the year;*
- (f) the layout and choice of plants permits surveillance of public and communal areas; and*
- (g) it facilitates on-site infiltration of stormwater run-off.*

Requirement 4 of Clause 5.8.10 (Telecommunications Facility) 'requires' - *The location and design of a telecommunications facility minimises amenity impacts through sensitive siting, use of non-reflective finishes and appropriate landscaping.*

The application as amended (April 2024 drawings – Bookmark B4) proposes no landscaping – the fenced compound will be a gravel or road base type surface.

Sub-clause 5 of Clause 1.10 of the NTPS2020 specifies - *the consent authority may consent to a proposed use or development that is not in accordance with a requirement set out in Parts 3, 5 or 6 only if it is satisfied that the variation is appropriate having regard to:*

- (a) the purpose and administration clauses of the requirement; and*
- (b) the considerations listed under Clause 1.10(3) or 1.10(4).*

There is no "administration" clause/guidance with respect to non-compliance with sub-clause 3 (of Clause 5.2.6.1). *The purpose of Clause 5.2.6.1 is to - ensure appropriate landscaping that is attractive, water efficient and contributes to a safe environment, is provided to development to enhance the streetscape and overall amenity of the locality.*

The application (as amended – Bookmark B2) notes - *the location and nature of the development is not conducive to providing landscaping due to the facility being unmanned, keeping the landscaping alive and ongoing maintenance requirements. It is noted that similar facilities around Australia have not been conditioned to provide landscaping. Further the adjoining water storage tank does not include landscaping.*

Landscaping associated with the facility would only be of benefit to the visual amenity of visitors to the Bill Allen Lookout (as it would not minimise the visual impact of the radome and tower from Peko Road or other areas). It is considered that a variation to Clause 5.2.6.1 is supportable.

Clause 5.8.10 (Telecommunications Facility)

Requirement 3 of Clause 5.8.10 specifies an application is to - *provide a detailed feasibility assessment of at least three sites for the establishment of the facility and the rationale for the preferred site. Wherever possible, the facility should be co-located with existing telecommunications facilities.*

There is no *Planning Act 1999* or *NTPS2020* guidance regarding the contents of a “detailed feasibility assessment” or if this information needs to be assessed. The application (as amended):

- indicates that the Bureau of Meteorology have followed the Commonwealth governments’ - *Guidelines for the Siting and Exposure of Meteorological Instruments and Observing Facilities and Telecommunications Act 1997*
- includes a report (dated 15 February 2021), prepared by the Bureau of Meteorology. In response to a deferral, the applicant is of the opinion that the information contained in the report should be considered as the “detailed feasibility assessment”, is still valid and current in the year 2024 and no further information is necessary.
- notes that due to the unique and specialised nature of the facility, it is not technically possible for the radar to be located with existing telecommunication facilities. eg: ideally, the radar should be on site elevated away from other buildings, aerials.

The applicants position is that after referring to the information contained in its site selection report, the Bureau of Meteorology have pursued the Bill Allen Lookout site (within NT Portion 4440, accessed from Ruger Road) and in the years since 2001 have expended time and financial resources towards:

- Negotiating an Indigenous Land Use Agreement with the Central Land Council (representing the traditional owners)
- Obtaining sacred sites Authority Certificates from the Aboriginal Areas Protection Authority
- Negotiations with Crown Land Estate (Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics) regarding land tenure (lease) options / agreements

Requirement 4 of Clause 5.8.10 specifies - *The location and design of a telecommunications facility minimises amenity impacts through sensitive siting, use of non-reflective finishes and appropriate landscaping.* Requirement 5 of Clause 5.8.10 specifies - *The amenity impacts of a proposal are appropriately minimised.*

The *NTPS2020* definition of “amenity” - *in relation to a locality or building, means any quality, condition or factor that makes or contributes to making the locality or building harmonious, pleasant or enjoyable;*

The purpose of Clause 5.8.10 is to - *ensure the development of a telecommunications facility does not unreasonably detract from the amenity of a locality whilst facilitating the provision of telecommunications infrastructure to meet community expectations and needs.*

It is considered that the community expectations and needs for the telecommunications facility (weather radar) are well articulated within the Barkly Regional Deal which has received endorsement from the Commonwealth and Northern Territory Governments as well as the Barkly Regional Council. In summary, the facility is required public infrastructure in the form of a weather radar that will be operated by the Bureau of Meteorology. The application was publicly exhibited for 14 days and no local government council or public submissions were received.

Due to the required height of the facility and its proposed location on top of a hill, it will have an unavoidable impact on the visual amenity of the urban area of Tennant Creek in terms of visual bulk, height and potential obstruction of views from and to the Bill Allen Lookout. In terms of cultural amenity (in the context of Aboriginal sacred site significance), it is noted that the application included sacred sites clearances from both the Aboriginal Areas Protection Authority and Central Land Council to allow works to proceed.

The proposal has been found to be non-compliant with sub-clause 4 of Clause 5.8.10 (Telecommunications Facilities) as the development does not propose landscaping as required. The development otherwise performs well against the requirements and adequately demonstrates that the development will not result in unreasonable amenity impacts, as the clause purpose seeks to ensure, whilst facilitating the provision of telecommunications infrastructure, as required.

The Authority also noted the guidance contained within the NT Civil and Administrative Tribunal decision number; [2021] NTCAT 43 with respect to the interpretation of Clause 5.8.10 of the NTPS2020 in particular..

- Paragraph 22 suggests that the Development Consent Authority's role is to consider how the location and design of the facility works to minimise the amenity impact
- Paragraph 25 – the proper process was to assume the NTPS2020 operates to facilitate and enable the development of telecommunications facilities.
- Paragraph 26 – given the accepted community need, the DCA had to assume that the infrastructure should be facilitated and enabled, even though it would detract from amenity, the question was whether or not that detraction was unreasonable.

Administration clause 2 of Clause 5.8.10 specifies - *an application for a telecommunications facility is to include information demonstrating how the amenity impacts of a proposal have been minimised using visual communications methods such as photographic images etc.*

In this regard, the application (as amended) included photomontages, drawings and other information and the Authority notes the facility will be:

- located adjacent to land (administrative NT Portion 4541) zoned U (Utilities) that is developed with existing public infrastructure (a large water supply tank utilised by the Power and Water Corporation)

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- on a property (NT Portion 4440) that abuts the Battery Hill Gold Mining & Heritage Centre (NT Portion 565) which is the site of a historic Government Gold Stamp Battery
 - painted a non-reflective colour
 - well separated (distance) from dwellings and other sensitive land uses
 - constructed on land zoned R (Rural) for which there is currently no NTPS2020 zone outcomes preventing development of a telecommunications facility.
2. Pursuant to section 51(1)(b) of the *Planning Act 1999*, in considering a development application the consent authority must take into account *any proposed amendments to such a planning scheme*:
- (i) *that have been or are on exhibition under Part 2, Division 3;*
 - (ii) *in respect of which a decision has not been made under Part 2, Division 5;*
and
 - (iii) *that are relevant to the development proposed in the development application;*

Planning Scheme Amendment application PA2023/0101 was publicly exhibited between 8 September 2023 and 6 October 2023.

The proposed amendment aims to - *reduce the assessment requirements for telecommunications facilities where risk to amenity is considered low. It proposes changes to existing requirements to ensure they are relevant, reasonable and strike a balance between the need to facilitate telecommunications infrastructure, while maintaining the amenity of a locality.*

The amendment proposes:

- changes to the assessment categories of telecommunications facilities in some zones;
- new zone outcomes in some zones;
- changes to Clause 5.8.10 (Telecommunications Facility);
- the removal of car parking requirements for telecommunications facilities in all zones; and
- new exceptions in Schedule 3.

The NT Planning Commission report was signed on 21 February 2024, however, the Minister had not yet made a final decision in relation to the PSA application when PA2024/0039 was considered by the Development Consent Authority.

Aspects of the PSA that are particular relevance to this development application are;

- changing the Assessment Category from Impact Assessable to Merit Assessable in Zone R (Rural)
- including a new Outcome statement for Zone R - *Telecommunications facilities do not compromise the primary use of the locality for rural activities and do not unreasonably impact on the amenity of surrounding uses.*
- Removal of the requirement for a car parking space
- Adding further requirements / guidance to Clause 5.8.10 including;
- landscaping to screen equipment at ground level

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- minimum setback of 40m from any adjoining residential zone

It is considered that the proposed facility on NT Portion 4440 would comply with the amended NTPS2020 (ie: if PA2023/0101 were to be approved (as exhibited)).

The consent authority also notes there is also no guidance / differentiation within the current provisions of the NTPS2020 or the changes proposed within the PSA between a different types of telecommunications facilities ie: monopole / tower for a mobile telephone network, large satellite dish or a Doppler radar (as proposed in the development application).

3. Pursuant to section 51(1)(h) of the *Planning Act 1999*, in considering a development application the consent authority must take into account the merits of the proposed development as demonstrated in the application;

Merits of the development outlined within the application include:

- facilitating one of the initiatives contained within the Barkly Regional Deal
- provision of accurate weather forecasting for the Barkly region
- the Bureau of Meteorology have already obtained sacred sites clearances and registered an Indigenous Land Use Agreement

4. Pursuant to section 51(1)(j) of the *Planning Act 1999*, the Development Consent Authority must, in considering a development application, take into account the capability of the land to which the proposed development relates to support the proposed development and the effect of the development on the land and on other land, the physical characteristics of which may be affected by the development.

The location of proposed works on the site will be accessed by an existing bitumen carriageway and is adjacent to an area (administrative NT Portion 4541) that has been developed with a large water tank (used as public infrastructure). Minimal vegetation will need to be removed, the area is reasonably level and can be connected to the reticulated electricity supply.

Pursuant to sections 48A of the *Planning Act 1999*, the Department of Environment Parks and Water Security were given written notice of the development application, however, no submission/s, advice or technical comments were made and no request/s to extend the submission period were received.

No adverse comments were received from other service authorities regarding environmental constraints or limitations for development on the land. The application indicates that a wastewater system does not need to be installed for the use. Conditions relevant to vehicle access and storm water drainage have been included on the permit.

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- Pursuant to section 51(1)(m) of the *Planning Act 1999*, the Development Consent Authority must, in considering a development application, take into account the public utilities or infrastructure provided in the area in which the land is situated, services to be connected to the land and the requirement, if any, for those facilities or infrastructure to be provided by the developer:

Pursuant to sections 48 and 48A of the *Planning Act 1999*, the Barkly Regional Council in its capacity as the relevant local government council were given written notice of the development application, however, no submission/s, advice or technical comments were made and no request/s to extend the submission period were received.

The application (as amended) noted that the facility will have no permanent staff on site and does not need to be connected to the reticulated water supply and sewerage service.

There will be no direct access to the location of the facility via an existing public road reserve (eg: Peko Road, which is the nearest public road). Condition 4 of the permit is intended to ensure that legal access to the facility over NT Portions 565 and 4440 from the lease area, to a public road is maintained at all times. Comments received from the Crown Land Estate Division of the Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics have indicated that as part of any lease agreement, the Bureau of Meteorology will be responsible for surveying Ruger Road for its future opening as a 'public road'.

The Transport and Civil Services Division of the Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics have requested conditions be included on a permit with respect to vehicle access, storm water drainage and works within the Ruger Road carriageway.

Comments (dated 26 March 2024, 22 April 2024 and 17 May 2024) received from the Water Services division of the Power and Water Corporation identified that the water tank (administrative NT Portion 4541) within NT Portion 4440 contains telemetry radio communications infrastructure and requested verification from the developer that:

- the proposed weather radar would not create any interference with communications systems.
- RF and EME levels/emissions from the facility would be monitored to ensure they were at acceptable and safe environmental levels
- Clarification on how work health safety and other similar matters for both the proposed radar facility and PAWC infrastructure on administrative NT Portion 4541 would be managed

The Authority notes that on 12 April 2024 and 14 May 2024, the applicant has written to the Power and Water Corporation to respond to the matters identified in the agency comments, however, Power and Water Corporation requested certainty via a condition on a development permit with regards to operational and environmental management of the facility.

- Pursuant to section 51(1)(n) of the *Planning Act 1999*, in considering a development application the consent authority is required to take into

account the potential impact on the existing and future amenity of the area in which the land is situated.

Due to the height and design of the telecommunications facility, the Doppler radar is expected to have an impact on the visual amenity of the existing and future amenity of the locality irrespective of its siting on the subject site. The Authority has considered the application and “amenity” criteria listed within NTPS2020 (in particular Clause 5.8.10), the guidance listed in NT Civil and Administrative Tribunal decision number; [2021] NTCAT 43 and is satisfied the amenity impacts of the proposal are appropriately minimised.

5. Pursuant to section 51(1)(p) of the *Planning Act 1999*, in considering a development application the consent authority must take into account the public interest.

Provision of modern weather forecasting infrastructure for the Barkly Region is considered to be in the public interest.

5. Pursuant to section 51(1)(r) of the *Planning Act 1999*, in considering a development application, the Development Consent Authority is required to take into account any potential impact on natural, social, cultural or heritage values, including, for example, the heritage significance of a heritage place or object under the *Heritage Act 2011*.

Heritage Values

The subject site (NT Portion 4440) abuts the Battery Hill Gold Mining & Heritage Centre (NT Portion 565) which is the location of a historic Government Gold Stamp Battery, however, this is not a “heritage place” declared under the *Heritage Act 2011*.

Comments received from the Heritage Branch of the Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities note that if any aboriginal or other historical artefacts etc are discovered during works, the Heritage Branch should be notified – an advisory note to this effect is included on the permit.

Cultural Values

Within NT Portion 4440, there are sacred sites and restricted works areas registered under the *Northern Territory Aboriginal Sacred Sites Act 1989*.

The application (as exhibited) included Authority Certificate (2023/007 – dated 20 January 2023) issued by the Aboriginal Areas Protection Authority (AAPA) to the Bureau of Meteorology for the purpose of:

- Site survey
- Geotechnical survey (including excavations)
- Construction of radar installation of 25m x 25m pad (including fire break)
- Land clearing for onsite storage and staging area for construction works
- Road upgrade works and additional land clearance

All works ancillary to the abovementioned works including routine and ongoing maintenance of any infrastructure and or services

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It is noted that the Authority Certificate only refers to 'radar' and does not explicitly mention the height of the facility, generator, equipment building or fencing. The proposed building footprint / lease area is shown on the drawings as 20m x 20m.

Comments (dated 21 March 2024) from the AAPA, responding to the application as exhibited recommend that if works will be different to those listed in C2023/007, the developer should apply for a new Authority Certificate. An advisory note to this effect is included on the permit.

6. Notification of the application was undertaken in accordance with the requirements of the *Planning Act 1999* and the *Planning Regulations 2000* that were in force at the time of lodgement. No public or local government council submissions were received.

FOR: 3

AGAINST: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ACTION: Notice of Consent and Development Permit

RATIFIED AS A RECORD OF ATTENDANCE AND DETERMINATIONS MADE AT THE MEETING

SUZANNE PHILIP
Chair

15 August 2024