

5 <u>PROPOSED DISCONTINUANCE OF ROADS ENCROACHING</u> <u>PROPERTIES AT PEET STREET, PAKENHAM AND 17 HILL STREET,</u> <u>PAKENHAM</u>

FILE REFERENCE INT1955590

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RECOMMENDATION

That:

- Council commence the statutory procedures in accordance with clause 3 schedule 10 of the Local Government Act, 1989, (the Act) to discontinue the portions of road abutting O'Sullivan Street (of the Peet Street property which is bounded by O'Sullivan Street and Hill Street) and 17 Hill Street Pakenham, as shown on the attached locality plan; and
- 2. Council publish a notice in the local paper for Pakenham in accordance with Sections 207A and 223 of the Act advising of the proposed road discontinuances and such notice state that, if discontinued, that the land may be transferred to the abutting owners; and
- 3. In the event of no submissions being received, the matter be reported to Council again for resolution on how to proceed; and
- 4. In the event of submissions being received, a committee comprising of the ward Councillors be appointed and the Chief Executive Officer be authorised to set the day, time and place for the hearing of such.

Attachments

- 1 Locality Plan 1 Page
- 2 Plan of Subdivision Creation of R1 & R2 4 Pages
- 3 Plan of Subdivision 2 Removal of R1 & R2 1 Page
- 4 Proposed Plan of Subdivision 2 Pages

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report recommends that Council, acting under clause 3 of schedule 10 of the Local Government Act 1989 (the Act) and also in accordance with sections 207A and 223 of the Act, commence the statutory procedures to discontinue the portions of road abutting O'Sullivan Street and 17 Hill Street Pakenham, shown hatched on the attached locality plan (Road).

BACKGROUND

In 1991 a large part of the land that now comprises Peet Street Industrial Estate was in the ownership of an individual. The individual continues to hold land parcels in the Estate but a reduced holding. In July 1991 the landowner submitted a Planning Application to subdivide and develop the land held, part of this Permit required widening of roads with a notation that the road widenings and new roads were to vest in Council.



In May 1994 Council negotiated with the landowner to acquire two reserves ('Municipal Reserves 1 and 2') which ran east west between O'Sullivan Street and Hill Street and further east from Hill Street, as shown in attachment 2. This plan also shows the road widenings noted as R1 and R2 ('roads') with allowance for a splay ('splays') on each road where the road connects with the Municipal Reserves 1 and 2. This plan was registered in July 1994. The Permit expired in 1997 and the Estate was not constructed.

A subsequent plan was lodged in September 2004 to remove the reserve status of Municipal Reserves 1 and 2, as shown in attachment 3. The purpose of the removal of the reserve status was to sell the land back to the original land owner. The land had been acquired for the purpose of a bypass arterial road but the location for the arterial road was changed and therefore the land was no longer required by Council for this purpose.

Council removed the reserve status of Municipal Reserves 1 and 2 and sold the land to the individual. The roads remained in Council's ownership.

At the time of the removal of reserve status, Council should also have removed the road status of the splays and transferred these to the individual. As Council did not remove the road status of the splays, the alignment of the roads is unusual with a small encroachment into two privately owned properties, one of which remains in the ownership of the landowner, being the Peet Street property.

As the Peet Street Industrial Estate is currently being constructed, in accordance with the Special Charge Scheme, it would be an appropriate time to rectify the unusual alignment of the roads. The landowner has requested that this be done as it is impacting on the future development and sale of the (proposed) subdivided property, in particular proposed Lot 12 which carries the encroachment, as shown in attachment 4. It would be in Council's best interest to remove the splays as they are not required for the construction of the roads. Removing Council's responsibility and risk of the surplus splays would be beneficial long term.

The landowner has recently disputed Council's financial contribution for the roads when the roads were acquired in 1994. Upon checking our records, we have located a Transfer of Land which shows an amount of \$100,000 paid for the acquisition of Municipal Reserves 1 and 2 and Roads 1 and 2. There is also an accompanying Development Agreement in relation to a number of land Developments owned by the individual at that time which also supports the financial contribution to the acquisition of the Municipal Reserves and roads. The individual asserts that the Transfer and Agreement were signed under duress with the threat to delay his land developments if they were not signed. They claimed to have been advised that he would be compensated at the appropriate time.

The individual has recently submitted a claim to Council to compensate him for the roads, however, he has been advised that the documentation supports the financial compensation that was made at the time, and we have no evidence to the contrary. In addition to the compensation sought, they have requested that the splay encroaching his property be transferred to him, as this should have been done at the time of the sale back to him of the Municipal Reserves. We have agreed to pursue this process as it would seem to be in the best interests of all parties. The area of the splays is surplus to Council's need and should have been rectified in 2004 and it seems reasonable for us to now remedy the situation.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

The proposal to discontinue and sell the Roads has been carried out in accordance with the 'Discontinuance of Roads Policy' (Policy). The Policy provides that Land will sold at market value however it allows for land to be transferred at a



'lower price if it is considered that the benefits that accrue to the community by the achievement of one or more of the objectives of this policy are not reasonably obtained unless a lower sale price is received'.

RELEVANCE TO COUNCIL PLAN

The relevant Council Plan objective is that 'We continue to plan and manage the natural and built environment for future generations". The objective is to be achieved through balancing the needs of development, the community and the environment.

CONSULTATION/COMMUNICATION

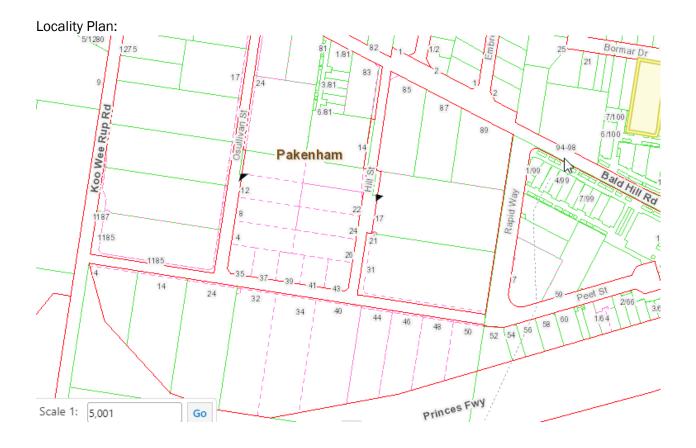
The roads fall within the Peet Street Industrial Estate Special Charge Scheme and the splays have not been required for any infrastructure and are considered surplus to Council's purposes. In accordance with sections 207A and 223 of the Act it is proposed that Council give public notice of the proposal to discontinue the Road and transfer the land and consider all submissions received within 28 days of the giving of the notice.

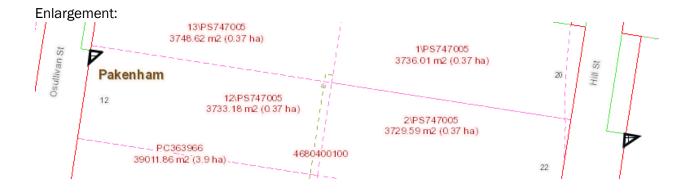
FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

If the splays are discontinued Council will meet the costs to rectify the alignment of the roads which will reduce Council's long term ongoing costs to maintain the unused splays which have no benefit to Council.

CONCLUSION

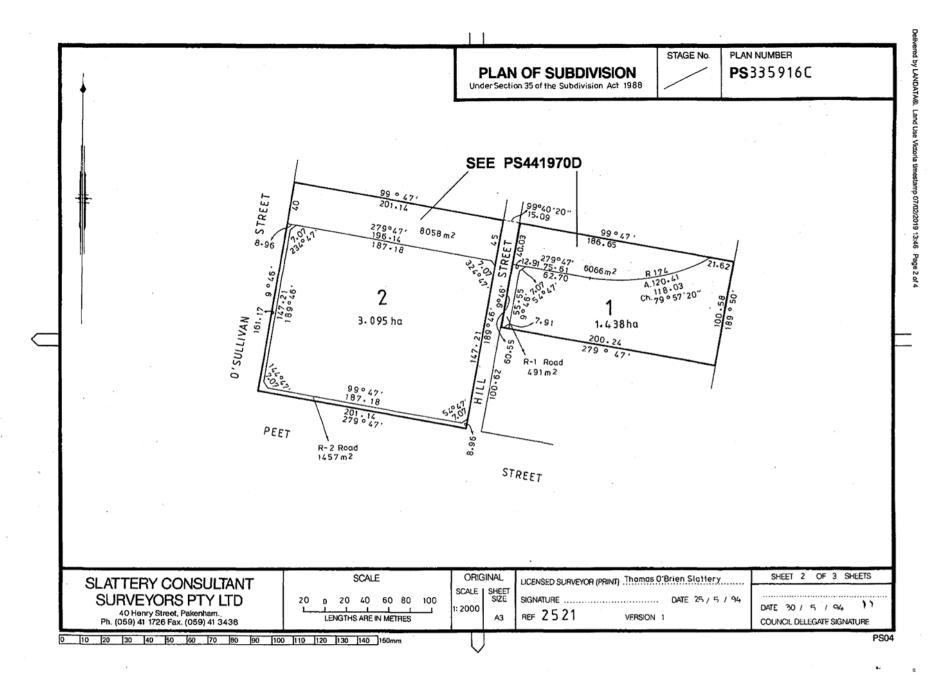
As the proposal to discontinue the splays has no apparent detrimental effect in relation to access or use within this area, the splays are considered to be suitable for discontinuance and transfer.





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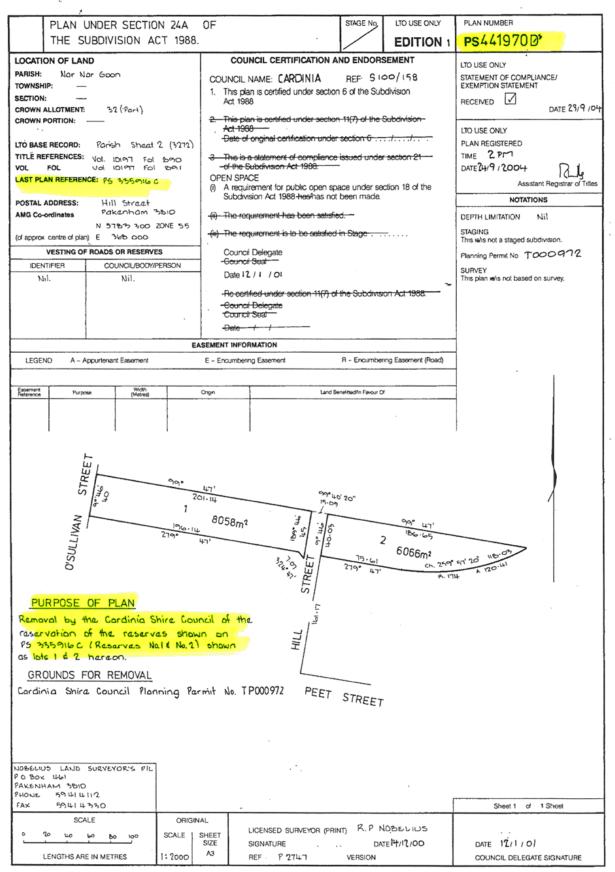
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Attachment 2 - Plan of Subdivision - Creation of R1 & R2

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