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Friday, August 24, 2012

The General Manager Shoalhaven City Council PO Box 42 Nowra NSW 2541

Dear Sir

RE: SHAOLIN TEMPLE MASTER PLAN – CURRAMBENE CREEK CROSSING

At a meeting between yourself, directors Fletcher, Adams and Krogh, myself and Patrick Pang, the issue was raised concerning a proposal that created a corridor from Forest Road through Comberton Grange and Shaolin temple land with the future possibility of a road crossing over Currambene Creek.

It was pointed out that the Temple had only recently found out about the proposed corridor and had grave concerns about its existence. Preliminary investigation has revealed that it would appear that this corridor is still on council's agenda.

In a report "Shoalhaven City Council – Strategic Planning Group – Traffic & Transport Unit" dated Friday 7 November 2008 it was stated –

"Council has previously been considering a Currambene Creek road crossing to form part of the eastern villages' road network to link Jervis Bay Road and Forest Road.

Whilst it is understood there may not be current support based on existing traffic levels to justify the proposal, council has not thoroughly examined the impacts of ultimate development in the Bay & Basin and eastern villages areas to be confident the road will not be required in the future.

Accordingly, Traffic & Transport Unit considers that it is very premature to ignore the future requirements of a Currambene Creek crossing and recommend that the development must not take on a form that would impact on council's ability to consider a future road crossing of Currambene Creek in the future."

In discussing the options concerning the Forest Road access, Scott Wills commented in an email dated 26 August 2011 to John Britton – "One advantage I saw with the 5th option (council's preferred option and once subsequently agreed to by all parties) was that it generally aligns with the location of the Currambene Creek crossing project which council has never formally removed from planning, thus my comments that the development should include a north/south running perimeter road with access at Forest Road via the adopted Charcoal Road east, and no direct access to any components of the development from the north/south road, to protect options for the Currambene Creek crossing in future...... I understand the formal SPIG comments removed any reference to the Currambene Creek crossing, but in terms of long term planning and alternative emergency access, it is my view that the Currambene crossing would be yet another alternative transport route to the site, as well as addressing regional transport demand in the future (and mitigating traffic impacts on the Princes Highway)."

It is my understanding that council did not inform the temple of the above proposal when it sold the land to them. Such a proposal would have a significant impact on the Temple development, not to mention the serious environment issues that would arise should the proposal proceed.

The Temple requests that Shoalhaven City Council give an unequivocal guarantee that this proposal will not proceed either now or in the future through Temple land.

Should you wish to discuss this matter further please feel free to contact the writer.

Yours faithfully,

Philip Balding Company Secretary