

Dorna Darab - Minmi/Newcastle Link Road - 3a Application Residential Development

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Dear Dorna

As discussed earlier today, the exhibition for the Minmi/Newcastle Link Road is still on the website however I cannot enter the link to support this application so I am emailing support on behalf of Compass Housing as suggested.

Compass Housing Services Co Ltd (the largest regional community housing provider in Australia), is writing in support of the Minmi/Newcastle Link Road application for residential development.

In addition to the current existing housing crisis, the estimated population growth for the Lower Hunter of 166,000 people by 2031 is a critical issue that will further impact on affordable housing. Lack of housing creates pressure on housing prices making purchasing and renting affordable housing much more difficult to access. We as a community and affordable housing provider are close to the issues that the lack of access to affordable housing further impacts on people's lives.

We currently have a major lack of affordable housing and the increase in population will further burden this. More available residential development would assist with the increasing need of housing in the lower hunter area and further I believe that the development has suggested some affordable housing would be included in this development which would be a huge benefit to the Newcastle community.

Compass Housing is in support of the application for the residential development at Minmi/Newcastle Link Road.

Regards

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