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Major Projects Assessment
NSW Department of Planning
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SUBMISSION

Application No: 07_0010

Lake Cathie Residential, Commercial and Tourist Development

We support the project as presented by King & Campbell.

However as with the adjoining project by St Vincent's Foundation our Association has serious concerns regarding impacts on local communities; in particular hazards created by Port Macquarie Hastings Council's failure to maintain and upgrade infrastructure to cope with the substantial increases in population and traffic numbers.

We attach a copy of our previous submission on Project No. MP_060085 / MP_0001 and this document forms part of this submission.

This project, of 450 new dwellings, adds weight to the following issues included in our submission of September 23 2010:

- The upgrade of Ocean Drive through Lake Cathie village becomes more essential with the added number of vehicles travelling to and from Port Macquarie.
- The upgrade of Houston Mitchell Drive becomes more critical with added heavy vehicle movements involved with additional site works and dwelling construction in the King & Campbell project.
- The urgent need for construction of the sporting fields included in the St Vincent's project becomes more critical as the new development has no provision for the most simple of activities such as kicking a football or other similar basic activities.

ISSUES RELATED TO THE KING & CAMPBELL PROJECT

WALKING/CYCLE PATH

This excellent facility included in both King and Campbell and St Vincent's developments terminates at Middle Rock with no further connection into and through the Lake Cathie village.

The walking/cycle tracks in the new developments form part of the Googik Track a long planned shareway between Laurieton and Port Macquarie.

The effects of this pathway terminating at Middle Rock Road are:

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1. Residents and visitors from the new residential projects will not have a walking/cycle track to reach the supermarket and other shops in the village centre and will need to use motor vehicles for this purpose.
2. While the plans for both St Vincent's and King & Campbell's projects include protective fencing for the littoral rainforest the littoral rainforest north of Middle Rock Road (where the path terminates) is unfenced and walkers will create tracks through this SEPP 26 area to extend their walk. Additionally they will create unauthorised access points to the beach causing damage to the dunal system.
3. Residents and visitors from the current village area wishing to utilise the new walking/cycle path will need to drive to Middle Rock, park their vehicles at that point to access the path.

SOLUTIONS TO THESE ISSUES

- Port Macquarie Hastings Council officially adopts a plan to extend the shareway from the current termination point to the village centre and on to Port Macquarie.
- Seal the road to Middle Rock beach access area as additional traffic will increase the amount of dust from the unsealed road causing additional damage to vegetation.

We ask that the Department take our submission into consideration when considering this and other projects in the Area 14 development zone.

Yours truly

Jack Jones
Secretary

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