



Hawkesbury City Council

attachment 4
to
item 142

SES Correspondence

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location: council chambers
time: 5:00 p.m.

03 June 2008

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Dear Sir

Re: P.D & K Smith Lot 5, DP237575 Richmond

Attached is a copy of correspondence received at this office from P D & K Smith seeking written advice from the SES relating to their DA at Richmond. Also attached is a copy of the Service's response.

As can be seen in the Service's response, we do not intend to engage with the applicant. Council must urgently address the matter of developing a strategic floodplain risk management plan for the LGA. The SES is increasingly concerned about the cumulative impact of ongoing infill and new development within the LGA. That development has the potential to undermine the community safety gains achieved under the Hawkesbury-Nepean Flood Management Strategy.

Yours faithfully

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S J (Steve) Opper ESM
Director Emergency Risk Management

28th May, 2008-05-28

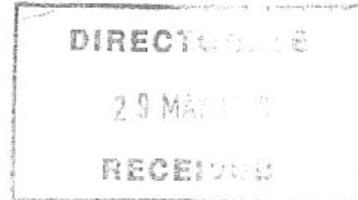


P & K Smith

P.O. Box 113
Richmond NSW 2753

Director,
State Emergency Services,
P.O.Box 6126,
WOLLONGONG. NSW. 2501
Location: Lot 5, DP237575

pm 2/6.



Area: 3.5 ha,

Site: 16 blocks (1200 – 2000sq.m)

Address: 33/38 Chapel St. Richmond. Located 500 mtrs. West of CBD

Sir,

We would like the advice of the SES in regards to a subdivision of 16 blocks within the Hawkesbury Area at Richmond within 500 mtrs. of the CBD adjoining residential zoning, as to the decision of your Department on this matter.

Recently on the 27th May, 2008 a Development Application was heard at a Hawkesbury City Council Meeting.

Council deferred the D.A. until we have correspondence from the SES before a final Council decision will be made.

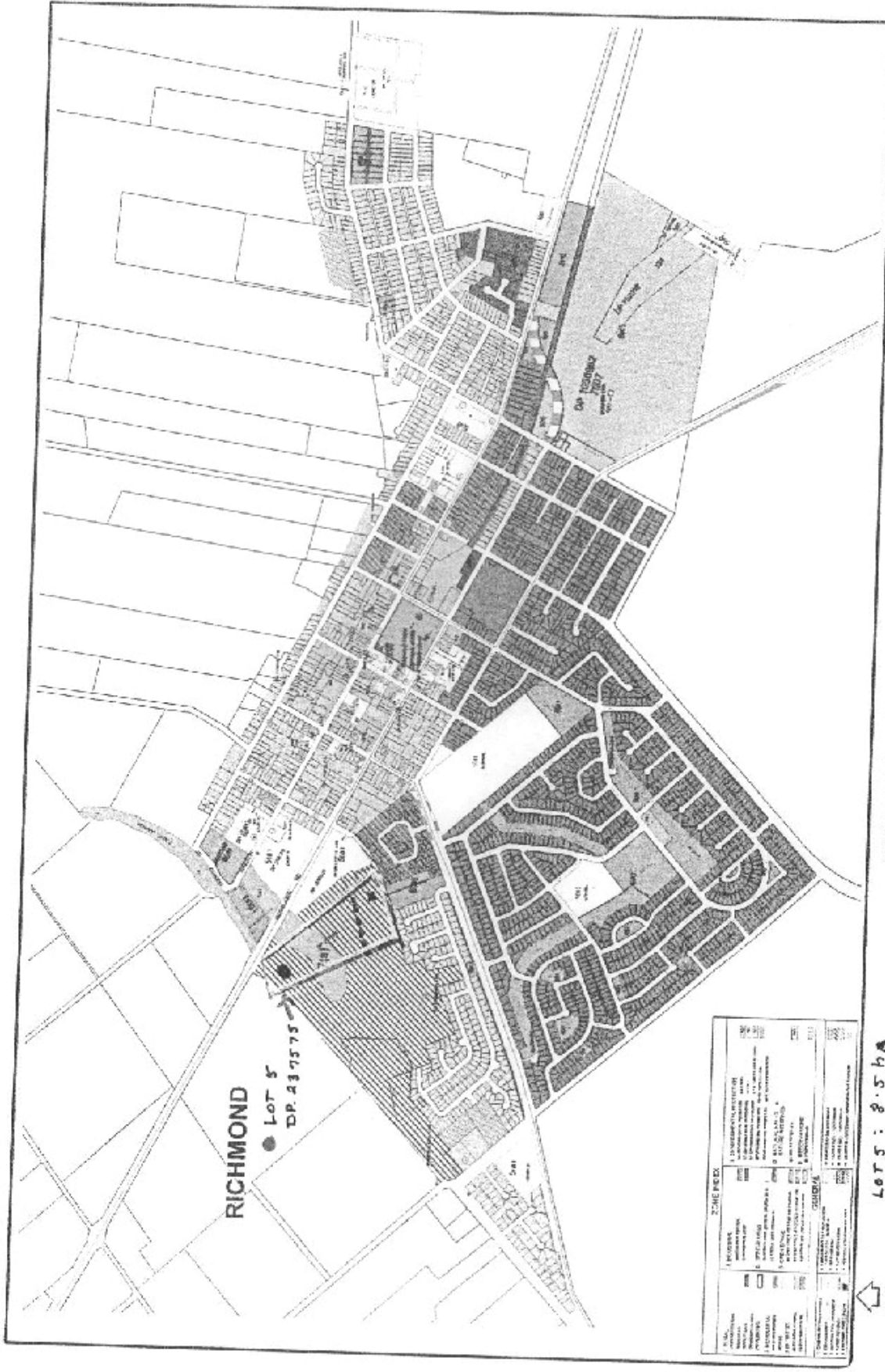
As this D.A has been before Council since 2000, your earliest advice would be appreciated.

P. D. Smith

P.D. & K. Smith

Encl. – 1 map

→ DERM - could you please respond for SES
pm



ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT, 1979
CITY OF HAWKESBURY
 LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN 1000

RICHMOND

● Lot 5
 DP 437575

ZONE INDEX	
1 RESIDENTIAL	1.1 SUBSIDIARY RESIDENTIAL
1.1.1 Single detached dwellings	1.1.2 Medium density residential
1.1.3 High density residential	1.1.4 Residential development
2 COMMERCIAL	2.1 GENERAL COMMERCIAL
2.1.1 General commercial	2.1.2 Medium density commercial
2.1.3 High density commercial	2.1.4 Office
3 INDUSTRIAL	3.1 GENERAL INDUSTRIAL
3.1.1 General industrial	3.1.2 Medium density industrial
3.1.3 High density industrial	3.1.4 Office
4 SPECIAL USE	4.1 COMMUNITY CENTRE
4.1.1 Community centre	4.1.2 Office
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Scale: 1:500
 20 30 40m
 North Arrow

Lots: 8.5 ha
Propose: 3.5 ha 16 Lots
 X Existing house

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Dear P.D & K Smith

Re: DA for Lot 5, DP237575

I refer to your letter of 28 May in which you seek written but unspecified advice from the SES regarding a development application for land at Richmond. I have to advise you that the SES cannot comply with your request. The SES is not a consent or concurrence authority in matters of land subdivision or development approval. That authority rests with the Hawkesbury City Council.

Under NSW State Government planning policy, the Hawkesbury City Council is responsible for implementing a strategic Floodplain Risk Management Plan to ensure that flood risk is taken into account in all aspects of landuse planning within the LGA. To date, the Council has not made any significant progress in this regard. This is despite considerable financial and technical assistance from the State Government over more than the past 11 years, and provided particularly by the SES and the Department of Environment and Climate Change.

The SES has made it very clear to the Council that we will not continue to provide advice in an ad-hoc manner or on a DA-by-DA basis. Whilst the difficulty of your own position is understood, the Service is unable to intervene in the matter or provide any further direct assistance to you.

A copy of this correspondence will be sent Council.

Yours faithfully

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S J (Steve) Opper ESM
Director Emergency Risk Management

CC: Hawkesbury City Council; Region Controller Sydney Western