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Mr Scott Buchholz MP

Chair
Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Mr Buchholz

**OUTCOMES FROM THE THIRD PUBLIC INFORMATION SESSION
UNDERTAKEN FOR THE HMAS *MORETON* UNIT RELOCATION PROJECT,
HMAS *MORETON*, BULIMBA, QUEENSLAND**

The Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works (PWC) held its inquiry for the HMAS *Moreton* Relocation Project (the Project) on the 5 May 2017 and requested that Defence undertake an additional (third) Public Information Session.

This letter is to inform the PWC on the outcomes from the third Public Information Session held on 5 June 2017 for the Project.

The objectives of the community consultation undertaken by Defence were to ensure that the community:

- a. was well informed about the Project by using effective and proven communication channels to convey details of the proposed works; and
- b. had every opportunity to raise issues of concern or seek further information so that wherever feasible they could be addressed by Defence in its program of works.

As requested by the PWC and in accordance with the project's Stakeholder and Community Consultation Plan, the following activities were undertaken:

- a. correspondence on the third Public Information Session and an offer to provide individual one on one briefings were issued to the Federal Member for Griffith, State Member for Bulimba, Brisbane City Council and the Bulimba District Historical Society Incorporated (BDHSI), as outlined at annex A, which includes outcomes of the briefing requested by BDHSI;
- b. an example of the correspondence sent to stakeholders is provided at annex B;
- c. the advertisement for the third Public Information Session placed in the South East Advertiser on 24 May 2017 is provided at annex C;

- d. the third Public Information Session was held on 5 June 2017 at the St John Baptist Church (Maheno Room), 171 Oxford Street Bulimba, QLD. Details of the attendees are at annex D; and
- e. letterbox drops were made to residents in the vicinity of HMAS *Moreton* advising the third Public Information Session. Example of the letter and locations of the letterbox drops are detailed at annex E.

Key issues raised by the community through the consultation sessions are listed at annex F.

In conclusion, I remain of the opinion that there are no issues that have been identified during Defence's community consultations that will impact on the proposed works. Defence also remains satisfied that it has taken all reasonable steps to inform the Community about the project and to provide opportunities for the Community to raise concerns.

Yours sincerely,

N. F. BEUTEL

Brigadier

Director General Capital Facilities and Infrastructure

9 June 2017

Annexes:

- A. List of stakeholders consulted and outcomes of the briefing with BDHSI
- B. Example correspondence sent to stakeholders
- C. Example of the Newspaper Advertisement
- D. Number of Attendees
- E. Details of the Letterbox drops
- F. Key questions and Defence's responses

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LIST OF STAKEHOLDERS CONSULTED FOR THE THIRD PUBLIC INFORMATION SESSION

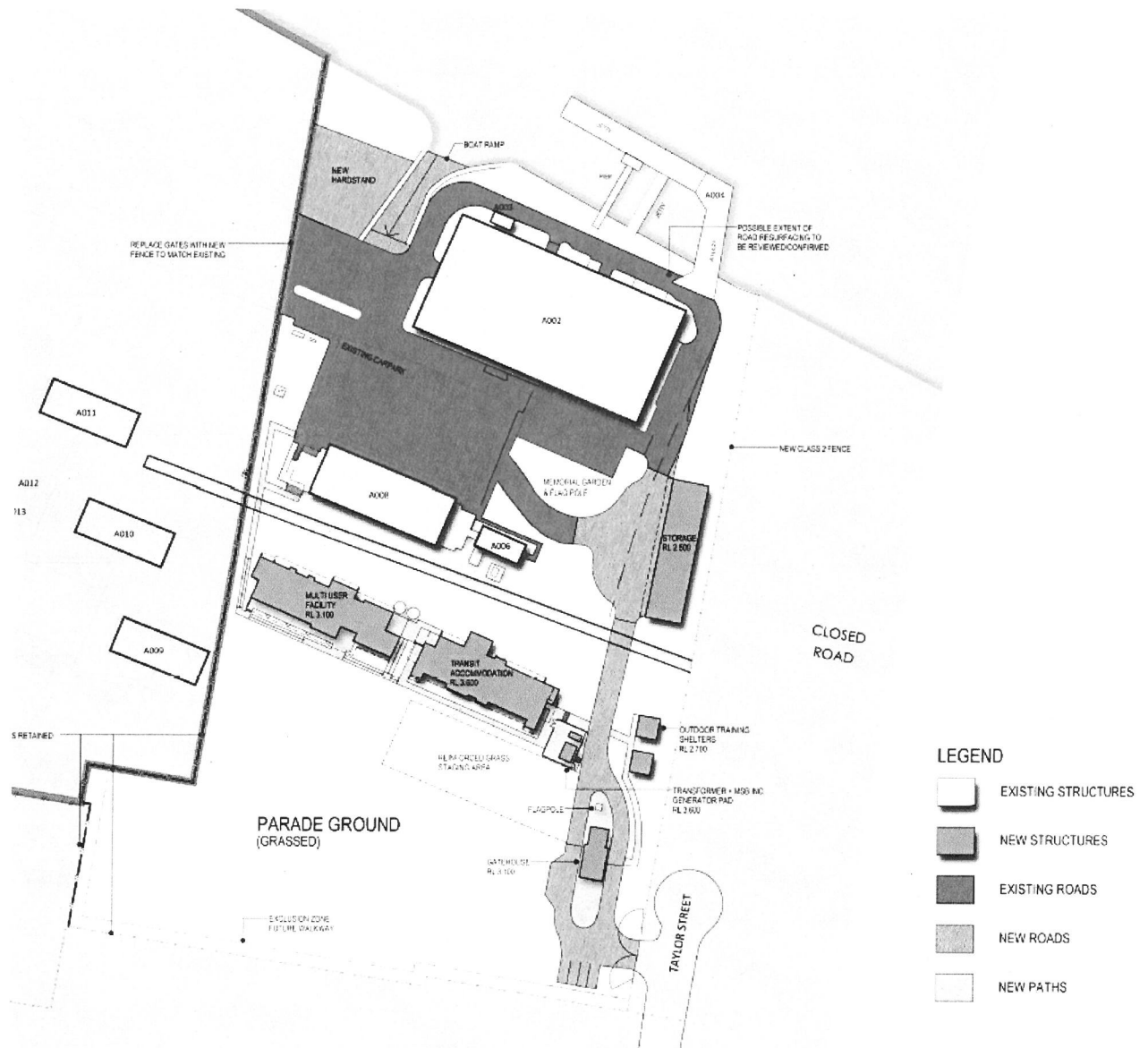
| LEVEL OF CONSULTATION | ORGANISATION AND MEMBER | DATE OF CONSULTATION | COMMENTS |
|------------------------------|--|-----------------------------|--|
| FEDERAL GOVERNMENT | Hon. Terri Butler MP Federal Member for Griffith | | Invitation sent to the Hon Terri Butler on 19 May 2017 for the third Public Information Session to be conducted on 5 Jun 17. |
| STATE GOVERNMENT | Hon. Di Farmer MP State Member for Bulimba | | Invitation sent to the Hon Di Farmer on 19 May 2017 for the third Public Information Session to be conducted on 5 Jun 17. |
| LOCAL GOVERNMENT | Councillor Shayne Sutton Brisbane City Council, Morningside Ward | | Email sent to Councillor Sutton on 1 June 2017 advising that a third Public Information Session will be held on 5 June 2017. |

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| <p>COMMUNITY, INDUSTRY AND BUSINESS</p> | <p>Bulimba District Historical Society Incorporated</p> | <p>2 June 2017</p> | <p>A meeting was held with the Bulimba District Historical Society Incorporated (BDHSI), represented by three members, at the Bulimba Library, Cnr Oxford Street and Riding Road, Bulimba, QLD. Defence's representatives included the Project Director (DoD-PD) and the Project Manager/Contract Administrator (PMCA) for the HMAS <i>Moreton</i> Unit Relocation Project.</p> <p>The BDHSI indicated that they are aware of the difference between the Disposal activity being undertaken by Defence and the HMAS <i>Moreton</i> Relocation Project; however they treat the entire area as a single entity of historical importance and therefore will continue to address site wide issues.</p> <p>The BDHSI provided a summary to the Project in relation to their two submissions for the project. The Defence representatives responded to concerns raised in both submissions. It was also noted that Defence intends to provide a formal response to the PWC for all public submissions into the project.</p> <p>The BDHS was satisfied with Defence's responses.</p> <p>There were however the following remaining ongoing concerns from the BDHSI which will be addressed through further consultation with the Project team:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Transparency in relation to the impending Heritage Assessment. Defence has undertaken to ensure the Heritage Assessment to be conducted by the Disposal Project will be made publicly available. |

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| | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attachment 7 of the HMAS Moreton Unit Relocation project's Statement of Evidence (attached at Enclosure 1) identified a three metre wide 'exclusion zone, future walkway' on the Southern side of HMAS <i>Moreton</i> linking the Surplus Defence land to Taylor St. The BDHSI requested that this be a 10metre exclusion zone. Defence is not in a position to undertake a walkway as part of this Project. Defence has noted that no works being planned by the HMAS <i>Moreton</i> Relocation Project will be within a 10 metre exclusion zone, except on the South East corner of the site where the three metre zone will be adhered to. This exclusion zone would allow a future walkway to be established, should an agreement be reached between Defence and Brisbane City Council. Review of the stone wall in relation to any historical linkages to World War II. The BDHSI asked which part of the Brisbane City Council (BCC) did Defence liaised with. Defence provided details of their discussions with the Brisbane City Council's City Architecture & Heritage Team within the City Planning & Sustainability Division. Refer to enclosure 2 to this annex. |
| | Community Consultation Evening | 05 June 2017 | A drop-in Public Information Session was held at the St John Baptist Church, 171 Oxford Street, Bulimba, QLD, between 5pm and 6:30pm. Refer to annex F for details on the Key Questions and Issues from this session. |

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ATTACHMENT 7 – SITE WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE



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From: [REDACTED]
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]; [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Project J0126 Bulimba Barracks Redevelopment - Confirmation of no heritage listing of rock wall
Date: Friday, 11 September 2015 3:45:21 PM

Hi [REDACTED]

I refer to your email

The area to which our project is looking to construct the new boat ramp is to the east of the existing boundary fence line of Lot 2 on SP276395 and therefore outside of the BCC WWII heritage area?

In the rush to provide a response while we were on the phone, I did not turn off a property layer.

In double checking, it is clear that the lot you are currently dealing with (Lot 2), does in fact lie within the Heritage Overlay in the *Brisbane City Plan 2014*. See plan below.



Area with orange outline and orange dot.

The section of the rock wall in question is not that section which BCC associates with the WWII (ie - the heritage section is located further west on the frontage of Lot 1 on SP276395)?

The statement of significance for the place reads as follows:

1. As a surviving Second World War industrial base established by the United States Military in 1943 and reflecting the unprecedented military activity along the Brisbane River in this period **it is important in demonstrating the evolution and pattern of the City's and local area's history; and**

2. as a rare example of a Second World War barge building facility built for the United States Military built at a time of intensive military activity in Brisbane by the United States Military **it demonstrates rare, uncommon or endangered aspects of the City's or local area's cultural heritage; and**
3. as an important surviving United States Military industrial facility for the intensive manufacture of barges **it is important in demonstrating a high degree of creative or technological achievement at a particular period.**

The citation notes the most historically significant buildings on the site are those built by the United States Forces on the base during the Second World War. These and the ramp are located at the far western edge of the site. The proposed ramp lies at the far eastern side of the site close to an existing jetty.



From the information available there is no evidence that the length of river wall subject to the proposal relates to the WWII use of the site

Defence are not legally bound by any BCC heritage policy on this Commonwealth owned site?

I confirm that Commonwealth owned land is not bound by local planning provisions, but once the land is sold out of Commonwealth ownership, the provisions of the *Brisbane City Plan 2014* would apply.

Accordingly, if the ramp is constructed while the land is in Commonwealth ownership the heritage provisions do not apply. If it was to be constructed after the sale of the land it would need to meet the requirements of City Plan 2014.

I trust this advice is of assistance in this matter.

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City Planning & Economic Development | City Planning & Sustainability Division
BRISBANE CITY COUNCIL

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From: [REDACTED] [REDACTED]@aurecongroup.com]

Sent: Friday, 11 September 2015 2:30 PM

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: [REDACTED]

Subject: Project J0126 Bulimba Barracks Redevelopment - Confirmation of no heritage listing of rock wall

Hi [REDACTED],

As discussed, can you please reply via email confirming the below:

1. The area to which our project is looking to construct the new boat ramp is to the east of the existing boundary fence line of Lot 2 on SP276395 and therefore outside of the BCC WWII heritage area?
2. The section of the rock wall in question is not that section which BCC associates with the WWII (ie - the heritage section is located further west on the frontage of Lot 1 on SP276395)?
3. Defence are not legally bound by any BCC heritage policy on this Commonwealth owned site?

I look forward to your response, and thanks for your help clarifying this.

Cheers,

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**EXAMPLE CORRESPONDENCE SENT TO STAKEHOLDERS INVITING /
ADVISING OF THE THIRD PUBLIC INFORMATION SESSION FOR THE HMAS
MORETON UNIT RELOCATION PROJECT**

Dear XXX,

The Department of Defence is holding a third Public Information Session to outline proposed works at HMAS *Moreton*, Bulimba, Queensland under the HMAS *Moreton* Unit Relocation Project. These works are subject to Parliamentary approval.

The Department of Defence will sell surplus land at the Bulimba Barracks site at 25 – 39 Apollo Road, Bulimba, Queensland, 4171. The Royal Australian Navy requires a parcel of land to be retained in order to meet capability requirements in South East Queensland. The retained parcel of land at the site has been recommissioned and is now named HMAS *Moreton*. Further information regarding the sale of the surplus land can be found at: <http://www.defence.gov.au/id/PropertyDisposals/Bulimba.asp>

The HMAS *Moreton* Unit Relocation Project aims to ensure the Royal Australian Navy's operational and administrative functions are retained within HMAS *Moreton*, Bulimba, after the disposal of surplus Defence land. The proposed works will ensure the retained site remains fit for purpose, safe/compliant with work health and safety (WHS) and environmental legislation, and able to support current and future capability requirements.

The disposal of surplus land at Bulimba Barracks is a separate activity to the HMAS *Moreton* Unit Relocation Project.

Department of Defence's submission for the HMAS *Moreton* Unit Relocation Project to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works can be reviewed at: http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Joint/Public_Works/HMASMoreton/Submissions

You are invited to attend a Public Information Session for the HMAS *Moreton* Unit Relocation Project:

- **Date:** Monday, 05 June 2017
- **Time:** Anytime between 5.00 pm – 6.30 pm
- **Where:** Maheno Room, St John the Baptist Anglican Church, 171 Oxford Street, Bulimba, Queensland

Please let me know if you would like any additional information or would prefer an individual briefing on the Project.

Kind Regards,
J.D. POLLARD
Lieutenant Colonel

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NEWSPAPER AND MEDIA ADVERTISEMENT

The third Public Consultation Session for the HMAS *Moreton* Unit Relocation Project, was advertised in the South East Advertiser on the 24 May 2017.

A copy of the advertisement is shown below:



Australian Government Department of Defence

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**PUBLIC INFORMATION SESSIONS FOR THE HMAS *MORETON* UNIT
RELOCATION PROJECT**

The following details the Public Information Session that was held for the project.

| LOCATION | DATE | TIME | ATTENDEES |
|--|-------------|-------------|---|
| Maheno Room, St John Baptist Church, 171 Oxford Street, Bulimba, QLD | 5 June 2017 | 1700 - 1830 | <p>Total of 6 attended:</p> <p>2 - Members of the Public;</p> <p>1 - East Bike Users Group (BUG);</p> <p>2 - Bulimba District Historical Society Incorporated;</p> <p>1 - Representative from Hon Terri Butler's office;</p> <p>Note: One member of the Bulimba District Historical Society Incorporated also represented views as a member of the public. This individual has been counted once.</p> |

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LETTERBOX DROPS FOR THE THIRD PUBLIC INFORMATION SESSION

Location maps and an example of the letter informing residents of the third public information session for the HMAS Moreton Unit Relocation project is included below.

| BASE | DATE OF LETTERBOX DROP | LOCATION | APPROX NUMBER OF HOUSES/ BUSINESSES |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|--|
| HMAS <i>Moreton</i> , Bulimba, QLD | 22 May 2017 | Residence - Bulimba, QLD | 250 |
| HMAS <i>Moreton</i> , Bulimba, QLD | 22 May 2017 | Businesses - Bulimba, QLD | 60 |
| HMAS <i>Moreton</i> , Bulimba, QLD | 22 May 2017 | Oxford Street Shopping Precinct, Bulimba, QLD | 5 |



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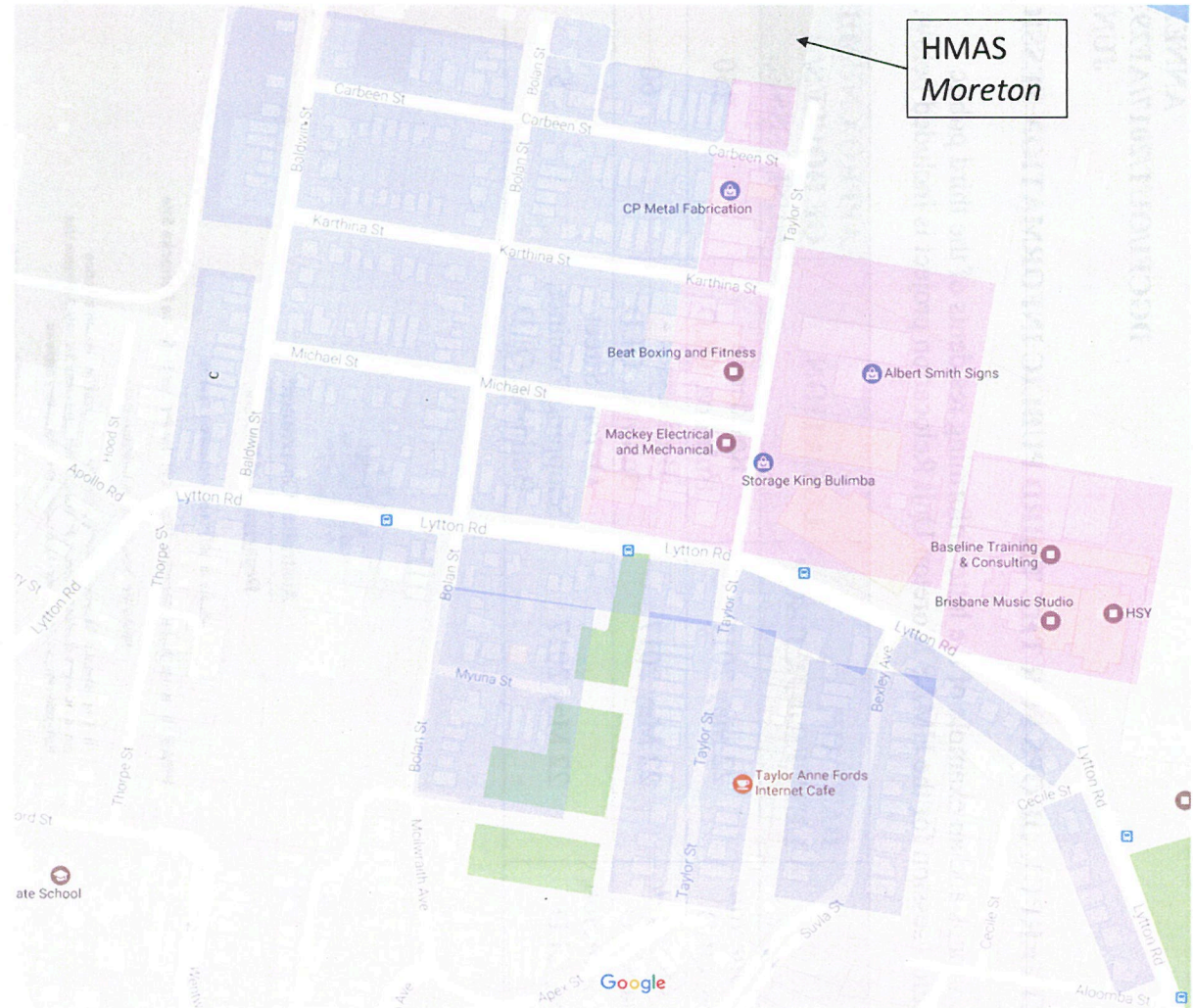
Letter box drop locations for the third Public Information Session for the HMAS Moreton Unit Relocation project:

Legend

- Noticeboards at local businesses on Oxford St
- Mail Box Drop to houses
- Mail Box Drop to local businesses

The Oxford Street – adverts put up for the first session were:

- Lifeline Book Shop (window)
- Newsagent (front partition)
- Movie Cinema, information stand in the café
- Local Bakery front window
- Noticeboard in the park



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**KEY QUESTIONS AND ISSUES RAISED DURING THE THIRD PUBLIC INFORMATION SESSION FOR
THE HMAS MORETON UNIT RELOCATION PROJECT**

A summary of the key issues and questions received during the third Public Information Session, including Defence's responses are outlined in the table below:

| SUMMARY OF KEY QUESTIONS AND DEFENCE'S RESPONSES | | |
|---|---|----------------------|
| ISSUE/QUESTION | HOW EACH ISSUE/QUESTION WAS ADDRESSED BY DEFENCE | RAISED BY |
| What will the impacts on local traffic be when the HMAS <i>Moreton</i> entry is moved from Apollo Road ³ to Taylor Street? | The indicative number of permanent staff currently located at HMAS <i>Moreton</i> is 20 personnel. In addition, temporary visitors will be driving vehicles to site, or arriving via other means (ie, bus, watercraft). | Member of the Public |
| General comment was made that it would be good to have access to the river front from Bolan Street. | Noted – Access between Bolan Street and the river front is not part of this project. | Member of the public |

³ The map provided at annex E to this letter identifies the location of Apollo Road, Taylor Street, Bolan Street and Carbeen Street.

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| General comment was made in relation to the public rat running through the local streets due to the local Council constructed traffic lights at Apollo Road. | Noted – This Project, once complete, will not place a material increase in traffic on the local roads. | Member of the public |
| Can I understand what the HMAS <i>Moreton</i> Unit Relocation Project is about? | Details were provided of the HMAS <i>Moreton</i> Unit Relocation Project works to be undertaken and the proposed timelines for works to be complete by February 2019, subject to Parliamentary Approval. | Member of the public |
| General comment on understanding how Bolan Street would be impacted by the front entrance being moved from Apollo Road to Taylor Street. | The site boundary for the proposed HMAS <i>Moreton</i> was discussed. It was noted that access would not be available from the western side of the site once the works are completed. All vehicle movements would be from Taylor Street. | Member of the public |
| A number of statements were made regarding decisions made by Defence to retain the HMAS <i>Moreton</i> site and that Defence was not following its own guidelines and policies in the conduct of this project. | Defence acknowledged the concerns raised by the individual however, believe items raised have been adequately considered throughout the development of the Project and through the PWC inquiry process. Responses to concerns were also provided to the individual at the time of consultation. | Member of the public (also a member of the BDHSI) |

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| A representative from the EAST Bike User Group (BUG) asked for details on the connectivity of the site. | Defence has currently allowed for a three metre exclusion zone for a future walkway on the site as per the Statement Of Evidence submitted to the PWC. Defence has a capability requirement to maintain an area of green space for use as described in the Statement of Evidence. As there is no capability requirement for Defence to establish a walkway, Defence recommended that the best way forward would be through contact with the Brisbane City Council (BCC). An alternative connection of the Bulimba Barracks site, once developed, with Taylor Street could be via existing road networks using Bolan and Carbeen Streets. The current three metre exclusion zone to the southern side of the site could be extended in part to a ten metre exclusion zone; however, it would be reduced back to a three metre exclusion zone on the southern side in vicinity of the HMAS <i>Moreton</i> Taylor Street entry. The Project will not be undertaking works within the exclusion zone, which will affect any future use of that area. | Member of East BUG |
| What routes will the construction traffic (trucks) take to access the site? Noting Brisbane City Council requirements? | The Contractor will have a Construction Management Plan which will incorporate all local and state requirements in consideration of traffic management. | Member of East BUG |
| Question asked about the name of the project, and where the Unit was relocating from. | The project confirmed that while the Royal Australian Navy (RAN) are currently already located on the proposed HMAS <i>Moreton</i> site, some of the functions that are performed and required are located on the wider site to be disposed. The operational requirements of the RAN necessitated existing required functions to be relocated to the HMAS <i>Moreton</i> site prior to its disposal. | Federal Member for Griffith – Representative |

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| What is the visual impact of the 3 storey building? | It will be higher than the existing Warehouse on the site. The visual impacts have been modelled and were presented to the neighboring property owners on 8 April 2017 at a morning tea hosted by the Commanding Officer of HMAS <i>Moreton</i> . Modelling studies indicate that the visual impact would be minimal to the view to the multi-storey structures and cruise ships in port on the northern side of the river. | Federal Member for Griffith – Representative |
| Could we get some of the pictures of the concept design for the Federal Member for Griffith's office? | The project team referred to the Statement of Evidence documentation which included diagrams of the proposed works in the Annex pages. If the Member's office requires higher resolution documents these can be provided on request. The business card of Defence's Project Manager/Contract Administrator was provided as a point of contact to the requesting party. | Federal Member for Griffith – Representative |

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| <p>The Federal Member's representative noted that direct communication had occurred between Ms Terri Butler and Mr Scott Buchholz in relation to the requirement for the PWC to hold a public Hearing in Brisbane.</p> | <p>The project noted this concern would be addressed directly between the two parties. The Federal Member for Griffith's Representative further noted that Ms Butler correspondence with the PWC Chair, Mr Buchholz, had requested that the Committee comply with the 'requirement for the PWC to hold a hearing in Brisbane.'</p> <p>Following the Public Information Session, the project team conducted further research on the origin of the 'requirement for the PWC to hold a hearing in Brisbane.' The Project team was not able to locate any reference to this requirement on the PWC website.</p> <p>The only source that the Project is aware of that references the PWC holding Hearings in the location of the Project is on the following Department of Defence site: http://www.defence.gov.au/estatesmanagement/governance/Committees/pwc/Task4.asp</p> <p>The Department of Defence website states: 'Task 4 - PWC Hearing' The Hearing The PWC Committee prefers short hearings to be held in the location of the project. The hearing is conducted in an appropriate location readily accessible to all witnesses and the general public.'</p> <p>The purpose of the Department of Defence website is to provide guidance material for Contractors to assist them when working on Defence projects. This statement is not reflective of any direction provided by the PWC to Defence. Defence wrote to Ms Butler's office following the consultation session clarifying the statement regarding the 'requirement for the PWC to hold a hearing in Brisbane.' This response is attached at enclosure 1 to this annex.</p> | <p>Federal Member for Griffith – Representative</p> |

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| DISPOSALS - Due to the relationship between the disposal of surplus land and the HMAS <i>Moreton</i> Unit Relocation Project, a number of issues/questions were raised which were specifically raised regarding the disposal of surplus land. These issues/questions are outlined below. | | |
| When will the property go onto the market? | The intent at this stage is that the property will go onto the market in October 2017, with consideration given to the timelines of the <i>HMAS Moreton</i> project. | Member of the Public |

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Hon. Terri Butler, MP

Federal Member for Griffith

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Dear Ms Butler,

I am writing to you on behalf of The Department of Defence regarding the HMAS Moreton Unit Relocation Project (the Project).

At the Project's third Community Consultation Session held on Monday 5 June 2017 a representative from your office noted direct communication had occurred between yourself and Mr Buchholz, the Chair of the Parliamentary Standing Committee for Public Works (PWC) in relation to the Project. The project team understands that your correspondence with Mr Buchholz was primarily concerning the requirement to hold a Public Hearing in the location of the Project.

The project team has reviewed the PWC Terms of Reference and website, and is unable to identify a PWC specified requirement to conduct a Hearing in the location of the Project. The only source that the Department of Defence is aware of that refers to this is on the following Department of Defence site:

<http://www.defence.gov.au/estatemangement/governance/Committees/pwc/Task4.aspx>

The Department of Defence website states:

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If you would like any additional information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

J.D. POLLARD

Lieutenant Colonel

June 2017