

# PALERANG COUNCIL

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Mr Bill Waterhouse  
Majors Creek Community Liaison Committee  
PO Box 39  
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Dear Mr Waterhouse

**re: Majors Creek Community Liaison Group and Cortona development**

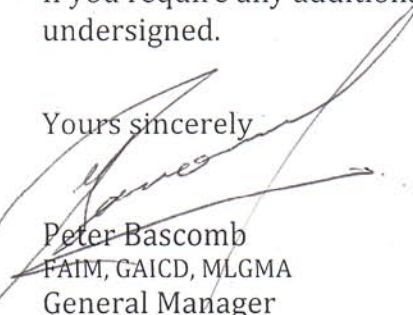
I apologise for the delay in responding to your letter of 21 April. Council understands your group's interest in the Dargues Reef development but unfortunately Council is not the driver of the process. This means that Council is not in a position to guarantee that you can attend the same meetings that Council does. Many of these are organised by the Department of Planning (DoP) which determines who can attend. The meetings may cover issues that are considered commercial-in-confidence, thus further restricting attendance.

I can advise that Council staff attended the DoP's focus group meeting and I attach a copy of Council's submission to the DoP that followed. As you can see Council has indicated concerns about road safety and road damage that arise from the haulage operations associated with the mine. Council has therefore proposed road widening works, line marking and contributions towards pavement upkeep. Council has also indicated that Cortona must not use the Majors Creek land fill. Council is further suggesting they undertake a community benefit project(s) to offset any impact on local community facilities.

With other large developments handled by the DoP Council has held public meetings to discuss the proposed development before making a final determination. It is anticipated that the same will occur with this development.

If you require any additional information please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Yours sincerely

  
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