

ITEM NO: 9

SUBJECT: PRECIS OF SELECTED CORRESPONDENCE, 9/09/2008

FILE NO: F03480

Recommendation:

That the Précis of Selected Correspondence be received and appropriate letters forwarded where necessary.

1. 23 August 2008 – 75 petitioners

Petition addressed to Roads and Traffic Authority (but addressed to Civic Place, Katoomba) requesting relocation of unsafe point of entry to Katoomba Golf Course maintenance compound via unmaintained dirt track (attached).

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Attachment

PETITION

ENTERED	
DATE	BY

23 August 2008

Roads and Traffic Authority
Attn: Traffic Incidents and Road Conditions
Civic Place
KATOOMBA NSW 2780

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Rec'd Records	26 AUG 2008 BMCL
REF	Gmcc / P. Adams
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25 AUG 2008

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Dear Sir or Madam

I wish to bring to your attention a particular dirt track adjacent to my property which I deem to be totally inadequately structured, inappropriately used, a safety concern and environmental hazard. It is well overdue for a review.

Access to the Greenkeepers shed at Katoomba Golf Course is gained through a dirt track which neighbours my property at 7 Oak Street, Katoomba. This very rough track is used very frequently all days of the week by golf course staff, heavy trades vehicles and their visitors alike. The construction of this track is insufficiently adequate to cope with the traffic that uses it. Large vehicles pass within metres of my home very frequently.

Right of entry to this track is a concerning traffic hazard. Vehicles are forced to turn illegally to the wrong side of the road to access and exit the track. This point meets a T intersection at the crest of a hill, and visibility is greatly reduced. With the frequency of heavy vehicles (including semis, garbage trucks and boogie tippers) that use of this track, which are obviously forced to slow to give way, it is very easy to imagine the scene of a potential accident.

My next point is the condition the track. It is very rough, worn down to jagged rocks, tree roots and exposed cabling, not nearly adequate to cope with Heavy Vehicles and trucks which use it frequently. They visibly shake and bounce.

I also consider them to be passing too close to my house. Additionally, when it rains, the downward slope of the drive causes a significant run-off of mud, dirt and debris into the street. This worsens with larger storms and is obvious in the enclosed photos.

The raised issues appear to be an illegal, unsafe use of our public roads, therefore I would like to see it reviewed by your department.

Original vehicle access to the course was via the "No Through End" of Kamillaroi Road, Katoomba, and it was brought to my attention that in recent upgrades to the course this would again be used respectively. Certainly, this site seems to be safer road point, better structured and less interference of traffic to a residential home.

These issues are supported by neighbours in the attached petition. I look forward to your response to the above matters.

Yours Sincerely


Marco Blanzan