

Thank you for your letters dated 15th June 2020.

The current council is fully aware of your organisations work and the partnerships that you have in the wider environmental community.

The previous council and the current council had both been made aware of the offer made by the QTFN in their letter dated 13 November 2019. The previous council and the current council have also been made aware of the current communications between QTFN and the CEO.

This information was delivered timely and fully by the CEO to all councillors and any inference or suggestion of a differing statement from your group would be incorrect and any publication stating this would be erroneous and defamatory to our CEO.

Whilst I appreciate what your groups preference may be, the job of this council is to work for the majority of its rate payers. This Council will be the ones who decide how, when and what occurs on that block of land after it has concluded a Climate Mitigation Consultation with its rate payers, as promised at the election.

It was made very clear during the election that this was a very contentious issue and this council is currently considering more than your just your groups opinion and want for environmental outcomes.

As Mayor, I have directed the CEO to hold all transactions on this block and bring a report to council with a motion that I believe will accommodate the wishes of this new council and the broader community.

As such if you wish to publicise a private letter to this council, one that I would assume was sent in confidence to the recipients that is your choice. However, be assured I will utilise the full media power of this council and if required our legal avenues to defend this councils actions and the CEO on this matter if incorrect information is written in your blogs.

Yours sincerely



Cr Michael Kerr
MAYOR
DOUGLAS SHIRE COUNCIL



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