



Speech by

Hon. Stirling Hinchliffe

MEMBER FOR STAFFORD

Hansard Friday, 11 June 2010

MINISTERIAL STATEMENT

Proposed Development, Milton

Hon. SJ HINCHLIFFE (Stafford—ALP) (Minister for Infrastructure and Planning) (9.48 am): On 16 April I called in a development application for a proposed mixed-use development integrated with Milton train station. After careful consideration and assessment, advised by the Board for Urban Places and Department of Infrastructure and Planning officers, I am approving this development with some conditions additional to those imposed by Brisbane City Council's approval. As required by law, I table my decision.

Tabled paper: Report by the Minister for Infrastructure and Planning, pursuant to s432 of the Sustainable Planning Act 2009, in relation to the ministerial call-in of a development application by FKP Commercial Developments Pty Ltd at 50A Cribb Street and 41-55 Railway Terrace, Milton [\[2420\]](#).

Tabled paper: Report by the Minister for Infrastructure and Planning, pursuant to s432 of the Sustainable Planning Act 2009, in relation to the ministerial call-in of a development application by FKP Commercial Developments Pty Ltd at 50A Cribb Street and 41-55 Railway Terrace, Milton, Annexure A Copy of Development Application, Folder 1 of 4 [\[2421\]](#).

Tabled paper: Report by the Minister for Infrastructure and Planning, pursuant to s432 of the Sustainable Planning Act 2009, in relation to the ministerial call-in of a development application by FKP Commercial Developments Pty Ltd at 50A Cribb Street and 41-55 Railway Terrace, Milton, Annexure A Copy of Development Application, Folder 2 of 4 [\[2422\]](#).

Tabled paper: Report by the Minister for Infrastructure and Planning, pursuant to s432 of the Sustainable Planning Act 2009, in relation to the ministerial call-in of a development application by FKP Commercial Developments Pty Ltd at 50A Cribb Street and 41-55 Railway Terrace, Milton, Annexure A Copy of Development Application, Folder 3 of 4 [\[2423\]](#).

Tabled paper: Report by the Minister for Infrastructure and Planning, pursuant to s432 of the Sustainable Planning Act 2009, in relation to the ministerial call-in of a development application by FKP Commercial Developments Pty Ltd at 50A Cribb Street and 41-55 Railway Terrace, Milton, Annexure A Copy of Development Application, Folder 4 of 4 [\[2424\]](#).

The Bligh government has a plan to meet the challenge of population growth in South-East Queensland. Part of that plan is to support smarter development of renewed communities and continue to protect our tin and timber suburbs. Milton is already a mixed-use centre that allows people to work and play closer to home. This development will add to that mix and reduce reliance on private vehicles. For over five years, Milton has been identified as a preferred site for such development. This proposed development is located on one of the most important parcels of land in Milton, adjacent to the railway station and public transport corridors.

Submissions to me by the community, including from the member for Mount Coot-tha, have emphasised the need for public open space and consideration of the project's scale. In response to these concerns about the scale, I have considered the application against the advanced draft local plan and reduced the maximum height of the building to 30 storeys in line with that plan.

Extra open space and visual amenity conditions I have approved include: \$52,500 in public art contributions—this is the equivalent rate for CBD developments and will see local public art on permanent display; a \$6 million contribution to improve public access to Milton station for all those who use it; and requesting the developer to finalise with council further open space contributions, specifically to enhance local parks within Milton.

I recognise that this decision may cause concern amongst those in the community who have objected to the development, but development like this in some places relieves growth pressure in South-East Queensland and helps us protect the character of tin and timber suburbs for generations to come.