Question on Notice

No. 444

Asked on 31 July 2012

MR WELLINGTON asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for State Development, Infrastructure and Planning (Mr SEENEY) –

QUESTION:

With reference to the State Government's involvement in the approval of the proposed Caloundra South Development which is planned to accommodate up to 50,000 people –

Will the Deputy Premier release all documents involving the State Government approval of Stockland's proposal for the Caloundra South Development?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Nicklin for his question.

The approval of the Stockland development application at Caloundra South was issued by the Urban Land Development Authority (ULDA) at the completion of the development assessment process. As the Minister, I was notified of the development approval when the applicant was notified of the approval.

I have no role in approving such an application. However, I have powers under the *Urban Land Development Authority Act 2007* (ULDA Act) to call in and re-decide an application where it involves a state interest as defined by the Act.

A state interest includes an interest relating to the purpose of the ULDA Act and an interest that I consider affects an economic or environmental interest of the state. After consideration of the approval documents and background information provided to me by the ULDA, I did not consider it appropriate to use my call in powers in this instance.

The ULDA provides information about Caloundra South on its website. This includes information about all development applications lodged to date and the decisions of the ULDA in relation to those applications.