Richmond Valley

Council

Iron Gates Development

DA: 2015/0096



Mobile:

Date: 30th October 2019

I would like to submit my full support to the Iron Gates DA: 2015/096.

I am happy that the NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment will be assessing this development.

- My reasons for the support of this development are as follows.
- As a community we need a bigger population to support our town, the businesses cannot survive with this low population. We have two clubs in Evans Head, one an RSL who has just announced that they will be amalgamating with Casino. The other is a Bowling Club which was operation on a lost last year
- A greater rate base for our Council
- : We need a 24 by 7 police service, hopefully with a higher population we might get it.
- : We have a very heathy Medical Centre with Seven Doctors plus Staff,
 the extra population will only add to this centre.

- Our Trade needs this development to survive; it could also lead to more employment and apprenticeships.
- I have faith that all environment issues will be addressed by NSW
 Department of Planning, Industry and Environment. The Community
 have to take out any emotions and remember this is private land, it
 does not belong to the anyone other than the developer
- . In was told a long time ago that you can appreciate a view. but you can never own it
- This is private land and should be handled the same as any other DA.

This developer has purchased this land from a previous owner and this land is rated residential.

 As an Aboriginal person I can understand the significate sites, but this land is not virgin land it has been in different hands. First Evans Padden owns it and sold it to The Cribb Family who had a Market Garden and Flower nursery, there was also cattle grazing and oyster farming. The oyster farmers used to eat the oysters at the river bank. This was told to me by a member of the Cribb Family.

I know that the McCormick's Family owned the land when our Family first came to live at Evans Head 30 years ago.

I was told by a dear old friend of my late husband and myself the late Laurie Wilson Aboriginal Elder; we Aboriginals are not stupid we don't camp there to many sand flies.

We all want our Children to work or own a business in this town where they have grown up. Without this development it won't happen, there are many businesses for sale at the moment, a bigger population could help.

