



YANDINA & DISTRICT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

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Council's 'Please Explain' to Developer

Sunshine Coast Council has issued a formal Request for Information to a developer following community concern about a planned housing development in Yandina.

The move comes after dozens of letters were written to Marc Connell, head planner for Council, opposing many aspects of the development including small lot sizes and a road closure.

The proposed housing estate is in South West Yandina on a block of land bordered by Wappa Falls, Creightons and Bracken Fern roads.

An estimated 50 letters were sent to Marc Cornell, with copies to Councillor David Law and to YADCA.

"Overwhelmingly the key topic of the letters was the proposed closure of Creightons Road and the impact that would have on a largely rural community with their larger vehicles, horse floats and agricultural equipment having to negotiate four roundabouts on a small road through the complex," said YADCA President Nigel Anns.

"A narrow residential street, which will inevitably have cars parked on both sides, will just not be wide enough for emergency vehicles. And there is obvious concern about evacuation in regard to bush fires.

"Lot sizes were also a focus of the letters. There has been clear manipulation of numbers to suggest that average lots sizes will be 1172 sqm when in fact they will be 756sqm," Nigel added.

The land is owned by the Oakes family who used to farm sugar cane on the site. The developer has until 21 October to respond to the Request for Information. YADCA is encouraging all interested residents to monitor development.i, the section of the Council's website which lists development applications <https://developmenti.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au/>

The development.i code for the South West Yandina development is **RAL20/0072**.

"We encourage residents to check the site and read the developer's responses when they come in; and to make their own submissions in reply if they wish," Nigel said.

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