

**MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING 15/11/2006 RE: PLOUGHMAN'S VALLEY
PROPOSED DRAFT AMENDMENT TO ORANGE DEVELOPMENT CONTROL
PLAN 2004**

PRESENT: Neil Jones, Margaret Weaver, Jenny Vere, David Manning, Jane Paul, David and Patricia Williams, Tony Mc Kenzie, Ewan Greer, Tony Smith, Mary Kavak, Don Saville, Nick King.

APOLOGIES: Nil.

BUSINESS ARISING: The purpose of the public meeting was to discuss the Draft Amendment to the Orange Development Control Plan 2004, with particular reference to the proposed subdivision in Ploughman's Valley, area 3, which is described as "comprising lands bounded by Forbes road to the North, Ploughman's Lane to the East, Cargo Road to the South and the ridgeline to the West".

The main issues of concern were :

The proposed development of the ridgeline to the West of Ploughman's Valley, particularly the option preferred by Council as outlined in the current Council papers, which favoured dense development of the ridgeline. It was pointed out the Hassall report recommended no development of the Western ridgeline of Ploughman's Valley for aesthetic and environmental reasons.

The proposal to rerouting the Southern Distributor through Ploughman's Lane, and the proposed plan to develop the land immediately to the West of Ploughman's Lane for a large number of small housing blocks. Concern was felt that the combination of the Southern Distributor and close proximity housing would compromise the environmental viability of Ploughman's Creek and adjacent area as a green corridor. Concern was also expressed as to how Council would be able to implement the Ploughman's Valley Management Plan if such development should occur.

It was moved by Ewan Greer, seconded by Jenny Vere, that a representative group meet with Council as soon as possible to clarify issues surrounding the above concerns prior to developing a submission to be put to Council by November 27. Members of the group to meet with Council are Neil Jones, Nick King, Mary Kavak, David Manning.