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BRUMBIES GRIFFITH REDEVELOPMENT APPROVED

Minister for the Environment and Sustainable Development, Simon Corbell, today announced the approval of a development proposal to build multi-unit housing on the site of the current Brumbies training facility in Griffith.

“My decision to call-in and approve the proposal for development on the current Brumbies site in Griffith acknowledges the substantial public benefit this project will provide for the broader community,” Mr Corbell said.

“Proposals to redevelop this site have been the subject of extended and detailed public consultation and Legislative Assembly scrutiny.

“In 2012 the Legislative Assembly Standing Committee on Planning, Public Works and Territory and Municipal Services unanimously recommended that Draft Variation 307 proceed to allow medium density residential development on this site, subject to a range of conditions.

“My decision to approve this development ensures that all of the relevant conditions recommended by the Standing Committee are conditions of the approval. These include appropriate flood analysis of the site, parking and traffic management and tree protection.

“In response to the concerns about the scale of the development the number of units was reduced to 131 from the original 134 units proposed.”

“The timely commencement and completion of the proposed development by the Brumbies, will facilitate the Brumbies proposals to relocate their facilities to the University of Canberra (UC) sports hub.

“The proposed sports hub at UC will be a state-of-the-art facility that will provide a permanent home for the Brumbies, and help to ensure the long term sustainability of the club, and support the further development of the sport in the ACT,” he said.

The Planning and Land Authority received 42 submissions following notification of the development application and many of the concerns from nearby residents have been addressed in the conditions that are attached to this approval.

“I acknowledge the concerns raised by some members of the community and have also imposed strict conditions on the approval requiring sediment and erosion control, verge management, stormwater management and submission of a temporary traffic management plan,” he said.

Approval for the development on Block 15 Section 42 Griffith will not take effect until the site is assessed for possible contamination and cleared by Environment Protection Unit.

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