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Subject: Re: MCU25/0039.01 - Letter - Information Request - 32 Sooning Street Nelly Bay
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Subject: MCU25/0039.01 – Change (Other) – Stage 1 Clarification and Public Notification

Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for your correspondence regarding our Change (Other) application, **MCU25/0039.01**.

Following our review of the matters raised, we have decided to simplify the Stage 1 proposal and proceed using the **originally approved vehicle access, driveway and turning arrangement under MCU25/0039**, rather than introducing a separate temporary access or parking arrangement.

Stage 1 – Massage/Wellness Building, Access and Car Parking

For Stage 1, the **existing approved driveway, vehicle access and turning area will remain as originally approved under MCU25/0039**.

The revised plan also identifies the **sixth car parking space requested for the proposed massage/wellness use**. This is shown as **Car Park 6**, together with the existing approved car parking spaces.

Accordingly, we are **not proposing any alteration to the location, dimensions or configuration of the approved driveway, vehicle access or turning area**.

As the approved driveway and access arrangement will simply be retained and incorporated into Stage 1, and its dimensions are already established on the approved MCU25/0039 plans, we understand that **new dimensions for the existing approved driveway/access should not be required**. The original approved plans can continue to be relied upon for those dimensions.

The revised Stage 1 plan clearly identifies the proposed massage/wellness building, its overall dimensions including eaves, relevant boundary setbacks and separation from the approved buildings, together with the location of the required sixth car parking space.

Stage 2 – Approved Development

Stage 2 will consist of the **originally approved development under MCU25/0039**, to be undertaken at a later stage when we are ready to proceed, **with the swimming pool no longer proposed**.

The intention is therefore for Stage 1 to establish the massage/wellness building and associated required parking while retaining the originally approved access and driveway arrangement, with the balance of the approved development proceeding as Stage 2 at a later date.

Public Notification

We intend to commence **public notification on Monday, 12 October 2026**.

We can arrange for the required newspaper advertisement to be submitted by **Thursday, 8 October**, for publication on **Friday, 9 October**, in preparation for the notification period commencing Monday, sign up, and letters out to neighbors by Friday 9th as well.

If Council could kindly confirm by **Wednesday, 7 October**, if possible, that the revised information satisfactorily addresses the matters raised and that we may proceed to public notification, we would greatly appreciate it.

We trust that retaining the **originally approved driveway, vehicle access and turning arrangement**, while clearly demonstrating the **sixth car parking space total for long term development**, addresses the outstanding parking and access matters without the need to establish or dimension a separate temporary access arrangement.

Thank you again for your assistance, and we look forward to your confirmation.

Kind regards,
Dominique & Damian Battensby
MI Retreat & Spa
MCU25/0039.01

On Tue, Oct 6, 2026 at 11:43 AM Development Assessment
<developmentassessment@townsville.qld.gov.au> wrote:

Good morning,

Please find attached an electronic copy of the above mentioned.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact the Assessing Officer Kate Wilkes, on 4727 9418.

If you would like to follow the progress of your application online, please click on [Launch ePlanning](#) to access.

Kind regards,

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