

DEPARTMENT OF LANDS, PLANNING AND THE ENVIRONMENT

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Ms Margaret Clinch PO Box 2513 DARWIN NT 0801

Dear Ms Clinch

Thank you for your letter dated 20 September 2012 in relation to the placement of fill on Lot 5182, Dick Ward Drive, Town of Darwin and informing me of the aims and objectives of the Planning Action Network. It is encouraging to know that there are community groups such as 'Plan' interested in influencing planning in the community.

In relation to the fill, the Department of Lands, Planning and the Environment has been working with the Gwalwa Daraniki Association to ensure that the land is utilised in accordance with the Planning Act. This includes investigating recent allegations that new fill is being added to the site. The Department is working with the Association to facilitate removal of the fill.

Officers from the Environment Protection Agency have been on site, and have advised me that there is no evidence of asbestos containing material in the fill. Should you have any information about the location of asbestos, it would be appreciated if you could advise of the location of concern.

Your interest in matters associated with planning and development is welcome and thank you for bringing this important matter to my attention.

Yours sincerely

KEN DAVIES

12 October 2012