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Inter-government working party begins options for Jerberra

The working party involving the NSW Department of Planning, Shoalhaven City Council and the NSW Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water has reconvened following discussions between Minister for Planning Tony Kelly and Shoalhaven City Mayor Councillor Paul Green.

The working party is looking at rezoning investigations for Jerberra Estate, a 152-lot 'paper subdivision' located east of Tomerong village.

Under the Shoalhaven Local Environmental Plan 1985, Council is unable to approve dwellings on the individual lots within Jerberra Estate and this has been the case since zoning was introduced in 1964. The individual lots within the Estate were sold off in 1986 by a private developer. Council initiated rezoning investigations in 1992. Rezoning studies show that part of the Estate has potential to be rezoned for development while other areas contain habitat protected by threatened species legislation.

It is clear that not all of the lots within the existing subdivision will be able to be developed. Councillor Green said: "This issue needs to be resolved once and for all." Councillor Green said the working party has agreed on a process to progress the zoning options for the Estate and to seek information from the owners.

Clr Green will meet again with Minister Kelly in coming months to review progress of the rezoning investigations.

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