

# Media statement



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## Catherine Hill Bay – joint statement

The proceedings commenced by the Catherine Hill Bay Progress Association and Dune Care Group Inc in the Land and Environment Court, to challenge the project approval, were settled through mediation in October 2011 without the need for a court hearing.

The initial mediation agreement was confidential (in line with typical mediation practice) but all parties have now agreed for this statement to be released, to assist with public understanding of planning outcomes at Catherine Hill Bay.

The Department of Planning and Infrastructure has agreed to make a recommendation to the Minister that the Catherine Hill Bay area be excluded from the complying development provisions in the State Environment Planning Policy (Exempt and Complying Development Codes) 2008.

This means that any proposals for dwellings in the area would be assessed by Council against a site-specific development control plan, rather than through the application of the Statewide code.

The department is preparing a revised draft development control plan (DCP) and will be re-exhibiting it for public comment in the near future.

This is in response to the outcomes of the mediation and feedback received from the Planning Assessment Commission (PAC) in its report on the draft DCP, dated 13 May 2011, which is available on the PAC website at [www.pac.nsw.gov.au](http://www.pac.nsw.gov.au)

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