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Form 2

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The land affected by the application is located at:	26 Lakeshore Drive NUNGURNER 3909 Lot: 2 PS: 524068
The application is for a permit to:	Removal of a Restrictive Covenant AC929224J
The applicant for the permit is:	Development Solutions Victoria Pty Ltd
The application reference number is:	5.2023.322.1
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COVENANT K328610 13/04/1983 Expiry Date 31/12/2032

COVENANT AC929224J 18/06/2004

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Transferor: (full name)

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APPENDIX

- A Copy of Title and Plan of Subdivision
- **B** Restrictive Covenants

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2 Final Report CMC 15/08/2023



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1. INTRODUCTION

Development Solutions Victoria Pty Ltd act on behalf of Stan Ham and Heather Rose, the owners of land and the applicants for the planning permit application seeking the removal of a restrictive covenant at 36A Lakeshore Drive, Nungurner.

This application seeks approval to remove restrictive covenant **AC929224J** dated 18/06/2004 in order to have no restrictions for future residential development on the subject site.

There are three options for seeking to remove a covenant:

- Supreme Court under the *Property Law*Act 1958 Section 84
- Amend a Planning Scheme Part 3 of the *Planning and Environment Act* 1987.
- Planning Permit Part 4 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*.

It is under Part 4 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* that we seek to remove the restrictive covenant applicable to this land.

The proposal is consistent with the objectives of the East Gippsland Planning Scheme and will result in an appropriate planning outcome.

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Address	36A Lakeshore Drive, Nungurner
Site Description	Lot 2 on Plan of Subdivision 524068S
Title Particulars	Vol 10804 Fol 499
Site Area	7,313m ²
Proposal	Removal of a Restrictive Covenant
Planning Scheme	East Gippsland Planning Scheme
Zone	Low Density Residential Zone
Overlays	Design and Development Overlay – Schedule 11
	Erosion Management Overlay
	Vegetation Protection Overlay – Schedule 3
Aboriginal Cultural Heritage	Partly identified as an area of Cultural Heritage Sensitivity
Permit Triggers	Section 178A of the Planning and Environment Act 1987
Notice	No exemption available under the Low Density Residential
	Zone
Referrals	None
Planning and Environment Act 1987	Part 4
Planning Scheme requirements	Easements, Restrictions and Reserves – Clause 52.02
	Decision guidelines – Clause 65

2. SITE CONTEXT

Site

The subject site is located at 36A Lakeshore Drive, Nungurner. A copy of the Title and Plan of Subdivision is contained in *Appendix A*. The title is affected by restrictive covenants;

K328610

This covenant restricts the use of specific materials and some uses of the site.

AC929224J.

This covenant being the subject of this planning application restricts the construction of any building, driveway and planting of vegetation with a growth height exceeding 1.5 metres.

A copy of the restrictive covenants is contained in *Appendix B*.

The site is irregular in shape with a total area of approximately 7,313m² and is currently vacant land. The site contains an existing ephemeral watercourse in the southeastern portion of the subject site.

The site is undulating in nature and contains scattered vegetation throughout. Details of the site are depicted in the photographs provided below.

Access to the site is existing via a shared grassed track directly from Lakeshore Drive.

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Figure 1 – Locality Plan – 36A Lakeshore Drive, Nungurner (source: mapshare.vic.gov.au)



Figure 2 – Locality Plan – 36A Lakeshore Drive, Nungurner (source: mapshare.vic.gov.au)

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Surrounds

The land surrounding the site comprises a combination of farming land and low density residential development.

North and south of the subject site comprises existing dwellings. East of the subject site comprises Lakeshore Drive, an existing dwelling and further east contains Lake King. West of the subject site comprises farming land.

Lakeshore Drive is a constructed bitumen sealed road with rollover kerb and channel traversing in a north to south direction. Nungurner Jetty Road and Nungurner Road are the main road networks connecting Nungurner to the surrounding areas. Lakeshore Drive connects to Nungurner Jetty Road north of the subject site.

The subject site is located approximately 16 kilometres northwest of the central business district of Lakes Entrance and 33 kilometres southeast of Bairnsdale.

The subject site in relation to Nungurner and surrounding area is shown in the aerial photograph below.







Photograph 2 – Subject site at 36A Lakeshore Drive, Nungurner.



Photograph 4 – Existing gate to access subject site.



Photograph 6 – Subject site facing northwest along the eastern boundary.



Photograph 3 – Existing access to subject site.



Photograph 5 – Subject site facing north.



Photograph 7 – Subject site facing east.



Photograph 8 – Subject site facing southeast.



Photograph 10 – Subject site facing east along the access gate to subject site.



Photograph 12 – Property directly opposite subject site at 31 Lakeshore Drive, Nungurner.



Photograph 9 – Subject site facing south along the western boundary.



Photograph 11 – Subject site facing west.



Photograph 13 – Neighbouring property along the southern boundary at 38 Lakeshore Drive, Nungurner.

Photograph 14 – Neighbouring property along the northern boundary at 36 Lakeshore Drive, Nungurner.



Photograph 16 – Lakeshore Drive facing north.



Photograph 15 – Neighbouring property along the northern boundary at 30 Lakeshore Drive, Nungurner.



Photograph 17 – Lakeshore Drive facing south.

3. THE PROPOSAL

This application seeks approval to remove a restrictive covenant registered on title as AC929224J. The covenant was created on 18/06/2004. A copy of the restrictive covenant is contained in Appendix B.

The above mentioned covenant was created with the subdivision of 36 Lakeshore Drive being Lot 17 on Lodged Plan 137683 in 2004. The covenant states that the "the intent that the benefit of this covenant shall be attached to and run at law and in equity with lot 1 on plan of subdivision No 524068S".

The covenant prevents any buildings from being constructed, prevents the construction of a driveway and the planting of trees exceeding 1.5 metres in height in the eastern portion of the site. Whilst it appears that this was meant only to restrict development in the view lines of the adjoining property, the covenant and is ambiguous and as such is preventing sale of the property.

The removal of the covenant is unlikely to impact the amenity of the area particularly given the existing development surrounding. Any future development would be subject to Design and Development Overlay requirements and as such the amenity of the area is likely be protected by these provisions.

This covenant was solely created on this lot and there are no other properties in the area with this covenant registered on the title. A review of the titles of the surrounding properties has confirmed that no other lot within the area contains the same covenant.

The beneficiary of the covenant is Lot 1 on Plan of Subdivision 524068S. It is noted that this lot no longer exists and has been re-subdivided to create Lot 1 and 2 on Plan of Subdivision 542984.

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524068S was sold and is no longer in the same ownership as when the covenant was created. This covenant is onerous and ambiguous and does not facilitate fair, orderly, economic and sustainable use and development of the land.

It is expected notice to adjoining land owners in addition to any that may be affected by the removal of the covenant will be undertaken during the application process.

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4. ZONES AND OVERLAYS

Low Density Residential Zone

The purpose of the Low Density Residential Zone is:

- To implement the Municipal Planning Strategy and the Planning Policy Framework.
- To provide for low-density residential development on lots which, in the absence of reticulated sewerage, can treat and retain all wastewater.

An extract of the Low Density Residential Zone Map is provided to the right in *Figure 4*:

A planning permit is not required to remove a covenant under the provisions of the Low Density Residential Zone and therefore these provisions are not addressed further.

The removal of the covenant will enable the land to be developed for residential purposes in the future consistent with the objectives of the Low Density Residential Zone.

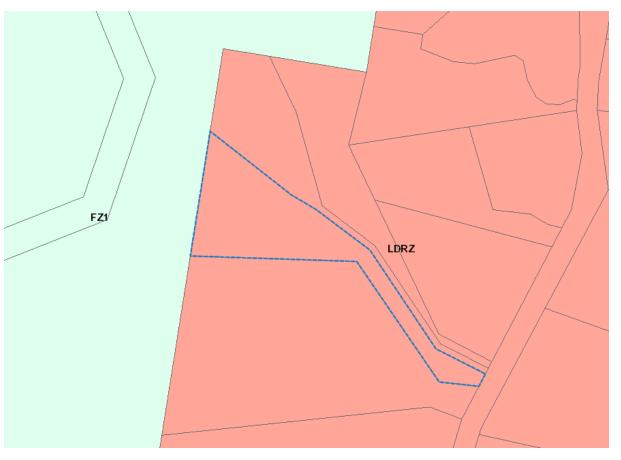


Figure 4 - Zoning Map - (source - mapshare.vic.gov.au)

Design and Development Overlay – Schedule 11

The purpose of the Design and Development Overlay is:

- To implement the Municipal Planning Strategy and the Planning Policy Framework.
- To identify areas which are affected by specific requirements relating to the design and built form of new development.

An extract of the Design and Development Overlay Map is provided below in *Figure 5*:

A planning permit is not required to remove a covenant under the provisions of the Design and Development Overlay and therefore these provisions are not addressed further.

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Figure 5 – Design and Development Overlay – (source - mapshare.vic.gov.au)

Erosion Management Overlay

The purpose of the Erosion Management Overlay is:

- To implement the Municipal Planning Strategy and the Planning Policy Framework.
- To protect areas prone to erosion, landslip, other land degradation or coastal processes by minimising land disturbance and inappropriate development.

An extract of the Erosion Management Overlay Map is provided below in *Figure 6*:

A planning permit is not required to remove a covenant under the provisions of the Erosion Management Overlay and therefore these provisions are not addressed further.

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Figure 6 – Erosion Management Overlay – (source - mapshare.vic.gov.au)

Vegetation Protection Overlay – Schedule 3

The purpose of the Vegetation Protection Overlay is:

- To implement the Municipal Planning Strategy and the Planning Policy Framework.
- To protect areas of significant vegetation.
- To ensure that development minimises loss of vegetation.
- To preserve existing trees and other vegetation.
- To recognise vegetation protection areas as locations of special significance, natural beauty, interest and importance.
- To maintain and enhance habitat and habitat corridors for indigenous fauna.
- To encourage the regeneration of native vegetation.

An extract of the Vegetation Protection Overlay Map is provided below in *Figure 7*:

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Figure 7 – Vegetation Protection Overlay – (source - mapshare.vic.gov.au)

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Aboriginal Cultural Heritage

Under the provisions of the *Aboriginal Heritage* Act 2006 the subject site is partly recognised as being within an area of Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Sensitivity.

The removal of a Restrictive Covenant does not require any works and therefore is an exempt activity and as such a Cultural Heritage Management Plan is not required.

An extract of the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Overlay Map is provided below in *Figure 8*:

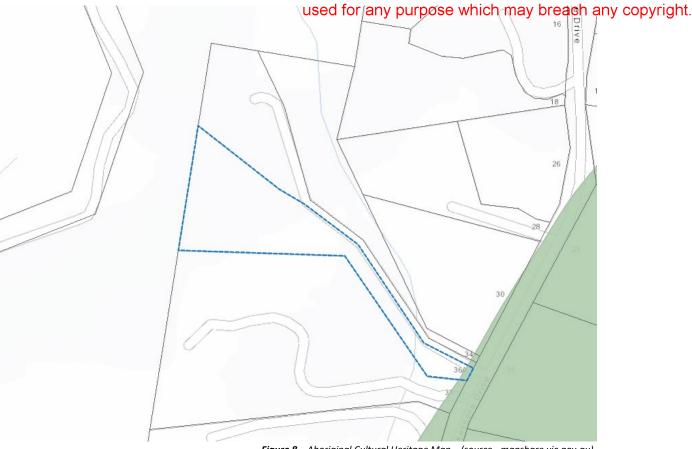


Figure 8 – Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Map – (source - mapshare.vic.gov.au)

5. PLANNING ASSESSMENT

There are limited specific requirements in the East Gippsland Planning Scheme that are relevant to this proposal, as such a permit is not required to remove a covenant under the provisions of the General Residential Zone, Design and Development Overlay or the Vegetation Protection Overlay which are applicable to the subject site.

A planning permit is required to remove a covenant or restriction under the provisions of Clause 52.02 – Easements, Restrictions and Reserves.

The *Planning and Environment Act 1987* at S.3(1) provides the definition of a covenant is:

"registered restrictive covenant" means a restriction within the meaning of the Subdivision Act 1988.

The *Subdivision Act 1988* at S.3(1) provides the definition of restriction is:

"restriction" means a restrictive covenant or a restriction which can be registered, or recorded in the Register under the Transfer of Land Act 1958. Section 60 (2) of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* provides:

- (2) The responsible authority must not grant a permit which allows the removal or variation of a restriction (within the meaning of the Subdivision Act 1988) unless it is satisfied that the owner of any land benefited by the restriction (other than an owner who, before or after the making of the application for the permit but not more than three months before its making, has consented in writing to the grant of the permit) will be unlikely to suffer —
- (a) Financial loss; or
- (b) Loss of amenity; or
- (c) Loss arising from change to the character of the neighbourhood; or
- (d) Any other material detriment –

as a consequence of the removal or variation of the restriction.

Section 60 (5) of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* provides:

(5) The responsible authority must not grant a permit which allows the removal or variation of a restriction referred to in subsection (4) unless it is satisfied that –

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restriction (other than an owner who, before or after the making of the application for the permit but not more than three months before its making, has consented in writing to the grant of the permit) will be unlikely to suffer any detriment of any kind (including any perceived detriment) as a consequence of the removal or variation of the restriction; and

(b) if that owner has objected to the grant of the permit, the objection is vexatious or not made in good faith.

This submission and supporting documentation provides evidence which supports that no person will suffer any detriment as a result of the proposed removal of the covenant. This is particularly evident given the majority of the lots within the estate are already developed, and any development that exceeds the requirements of the Design and Development Overlay would require approval that is likely to be advertised to the surrounding property owners.

This proposal has been assessed against the objectives and standards of applicable clauses of the East Gippsland Planning Scheme and it is considered that the proposal is appropriate for the following reasons:

- The proposal meets the requirements of Clause 52.02 easements, restrictions and reserves.
- The covenant in question is registered on title as AC929224J which restricts any buildings from being constructed, the construction of any driveways and the planting of vegetation that exceeds 1.5 metres in height in the eastern portion of the site.
- Whilst it may be interpreted that there is a portion of the site that can be developed, this is ambiguous and as such is preventing the land from being sold.
- The covenant was created to protect the views of the adjoining allotment, however this lot has since been further subdivided and it is expected that a dwelling could be developed in the future that respects the existing views of the adjoining dwelling.
- The proposed removal of the restrictive covenant will result in an allotment that can be developed in the future and meet the objectives of the Low Density Residential Zone. The allotment is covered with the

Design and Development Overlay and as such any future development will be required to address the relevant provisions of the overlay ensuring adjoining allotments are not detrimentally impacted.

- The remaining covenant will retain the restrictions that are relevant to all other lots in the area and will restrict the materials and colours of future buildings.
- This submission has addressed the decision guidelines of Clause 65 and the proposal supports orderly planning of the area and has taken into consideration the potential effect on adjoining land owners and the amenity of the area.
- There is no natural hazards associated with the site that will be impacted by removing this restriction from the title or that make the site unsuitable for future residential development.

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6. CONCLUSION

This submission is in support of a planning permit application for the removal of a covenant at 36A Lakeshore Drive, Nungurner.

The relevant provisions of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* and the East Gippsland Planning Scheme have been addressed and it has been ascertained that the proposed removal of the restrictive covenant is appropriate for the subject site and in this location. It is requested that the proposal be supported for the following reasons:

- The proposal is consistent with the objectives and strategies outlined in the Municipal Planning Strategy and the Planning Policy Framework.
- The proposed removal of the covenant will not result in any loss to any beneficiary of the covenant.
- The removal of the restrictive covenant is unlikely to impact adjoining land owners.
- The subject site will be able to be developed with a dwelling in the future.

It is requested that a planning permit be granted for the proposed removal of the covenant.

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