DTI:Planning Review

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Good Afternoon panel review committee,

From the outset of this email id like it noted that as an original phase two user of the SA Planning Portal, I have been very pleased with the initial roll out and its ever evolving improvements that have been implemented to date.

I have only a couple of items that I would like to put forward as a part of the review;

1. Addition of a Wastewater Assessment Module.

I understand that this is not a requirement in metro areas, however in regional areas this is an integral part of our approval processes.

- 1. Planning Consent
- 2. Wastewater Approval
- 3. Building Consent
- 4. Development Approval

The SA Planning portal is developed as a central database to record and store application's and its documents both for public and private view, but we are still having to approve wastewater applications outside of the portal, giving major disconnection within the assessment and approval process and losing the continuity and consistency within approved documents and record keeping.

2. Notifications of Approvals

The SA Planning portal does a good job at notifying all concerned with regards to applications.

We have found that applicants who are familiar with the approval process (i.e. builders/trades/construction companies, etc etc) understand that the approval process generally involves multiple approvals and cannot start until they receive development approval. The general public who may only do one or 2 applications are looking for an approval so they can start their project. They are not expecting multiple approval notifications.

Generally, we have found that once they receive notifications of planning approval, they go ahead. They generally don't read the decision notification forms, they just start building!

Could the email notifications that are sent out for planning and building consents clearly state that until development approval has been granted, the proposed project/s cannot commence?

Happy to discuss if required.

Regards

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