12th June 2020

To The Office Of Independent Planning

I am writing to express my support to the Vickery extension project as a resident and a Business owner of Boggabri.

I have lived in Boggabri and I am the Owner of Boggabri Post office for over 15 years and in this time I have watched the town grow and welcome new residents and short term stays from contractors associated with the mining.

As a business owner I support all industries in our region and welcome any new projects that add value to our small town whether it is mining, agriculture, construction etc.

The facts are mining in this town has had a big impact on my business with increased

- PO Box rentals
- Parcel deliveries
- Retail sales
- Bulk orders of Stationery and other office related products from the mining companies as well as contractors

In reflection to the above mentioned increases this has been a huge welcome in supporting my small business especially during the Covid 19 when small businesses where forced to either shut doors or reduce there business hours, we fortunately enough where supported locally by Whitehaven Coal who constantly approached our local businesses and sent there support and purchased locally which helped us all get through this extremely difficult time.

I would like to finish this expression of mine with a final mention of the commitment that I have experienced with Whitehaven Coal. They have shown the Boggabri Businesses support by attending any meeting and requests we have put to them, and have been willing to work with us to overcome any concerns we may have as well as been available to assist in any way to support local Business which we thank them for.

Kind Regard Kathy Davis