



Our ref: PP-2022-395

Mr Jeremy Bath Chief Executive Officer City of Newcastle PO Box 489 Newcastle NSW 2300

Attn: Samantha Cross

Dear Mr Bath,

Planning proposal PP-2022-395 – Alteration of Gateway Determination

I refer to Council's correspondence seeking an extension of time to complete planning proposal PP-2022-395 for Lingard Private Hospital at 23 Merewether Street, and 8 Lingard Street, Merewether.

I have determined as the delegate of the Minister, in accordance with section 3.34(7) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*, to alter the Gateway determination dated 17 March 2022. The Alteration of Gateway determination is enclosed.

I note Council requested an extension of time to finalise the local environmental plan by 1 March 2023.

Given the complexities of the planning proposal and further resolution required with local voluntary planning agreement and development control plan matters, the Department can provide an extension until 17 February 2023.

If you have any questions in relation to this matter, I have arranged for Mr Thomas Holmes, to assist you. Mr Holmes can be contacted on 9860 1583.

Yours sincerely

31/10/2022 Dan Simpkins Director, Central Coast and Hunter Region Planning and Land Use Strategy

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