

PLANNING & INFRASTRUCTURE DEPARTMENT

Planning Unit

5 June 2023

Mr Brendan Metcalfe
Director, North District
Department of Planning and Environment
PO Box 5022
Parramatta NSW 2124

Dear Brendan,

PP 2021-2784 - 92-96 VICTORIA AVE NORTH WILLOUGHBY – GATEWAY EXTENSION REQUEST

I am writing to request a gateway alteration for the above Planning Proposal. The request relates to the need for an alteration of the timing of finalisation of the Planning Proposal. The timelines specified for the proposal that the LEP amendment should be completed within 12 months of the date of the Gateway determination (refer Gateway Determination dated 12 July 2022).

Council is requesting a 3 month Gateway extension until 12 October 2023 for the completion of the Planning Proposal.

The draft Planning Proposal and draft site specific DCP were exhibited from 27 October 2022 until 25 November 2022. The reasons for this request include the number of submissions and controversial nature of the Planning Proposal, as well as delays in obtaining the applicant's agreement on the terms of the proposed VPA for the site.

It is anticipated that the Planning Proposal, DCP and VPA will be reported to Council at the meeting of 26 June 2023. Should Council endorse the draft VPA, it will need to be exhibited for 30 days prior to being finalised.

Council officers are proposing that the following resolution will be included in the report to Council on the Planning Proposal:

Support including a requirement when forwarding the LEP amendments to Parliamentary Counsel to bring the plan into effect three (3) months after it has been made to allow time for the Planning Agreement to be finalised or sooner if the notified VPA has been signed

Willoughby City Council

If you would like to discuss any aspects of Council's request on this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Ian Shillington in the first instance on 9777 7620 or Ian.Shillington@Willoughby.nsw.gov.au otherwise I await your formal response to this request.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'MN' followed by a stylized flourish.

**MITCHELL NOBLE
HEAD OF PLANNING**