

Our Ref: RZ22/001



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Attn: Craig Diss, Manager, Local Planning

Dear Craig,

**Re: Planning Proposal PP - 2023-2286 - Request to Amend Gateway Determination to enable completion of LEP to be made**

On the 26<sup>th</sup> of April 2024, the Department issued a Gateway Determination for a Planning Proposal that undertakes a Reclassification of Council Owned Land from Community to Operational at part of Allan and Don Lawrence Reserve (Lot 848 DP 703278, Part Lot 1538 DP 832922 and Part Lot 8884 DP 786883), Thomas Coke Drive, Thornton.

The Gateway Determination states that: *"The LEP should be completed on or before 6 months of the Gateway determination"*.

This would mean that the final date would be 26 October 2024. This date will not be achieved.

Council has been actively working through the major considerations in the assessment of the proposal including the proposed Public Hearing to be conducted on 28 October 2024. Council has received submissions from the recent public exhibition and would be required to present the findings of both the public exhibition and well as the outcomes of the public hearing to an ordinary Council meeting.

A revised Project Plan is included to justify the extension of timeframes.

Should you have any questions or require any further information to assist in your assessment of this proposal, please contact Gary Hamer, Principal Strategic Planner on (02) 49349800

Yours faithfully



**Brett Gardiner**  
**Manager**  
**Strategic Planning**

## Revised Project Plan Plan/Breakdown

PP-2022-2183 – Aberglasslyn URA Stage 4

Gateway Finalisation date: February 2025

| Activity/Milestone  | Timing             | Justification  |
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| Public exhibition   | August – Sept 2024 | Completed and five (5) submissions received.               |
| Public Hearing  | 28 October 2024    | EP & A 1979 Requirement and Section 29 of the LG Act 1993. |
| Report to Council   | December 2024      | Council requirement  |
| Stage 6 Finalisation  |                    | Standard 70  |
| Council request DPHI to make the Plan   | December 2024      | DPHI time requirements (LEP Guidelines)                    |
| DPHI arrange legal drafting that includes recommending the Governor approve the provisions. | January 2025       | DPHI time requirements (LEP Guidelines)                    |