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Dear Mr Rawlings

Planning Proposal PP_2011_KEMPS_003_00 – Gateway Determination alteration and extension

I refer to your request on 7 December 2011 seeking for the Planning Proposal PP_2011_KEMPS_003_00 Kempsey LEP (Amendment No 117) to be made.

I note that Council has introduced a new definition "*eco-tourism faculties*" as part of the planning proposal at the suggestion of the letter accompanying the Gateway Determination.

As the inclusion of the term *eco-tourism facilities* is a departure from the Gateway Determination (notwithstanding it was suggested in the Gateway letter), a revised Determination is required.

The Director General as the Minister's delegate has revised the Gateway Determination for PP_2011_KEMPS_003_00 by deleting Condition 1 of the Gateway Determination involving the reference to *serviced apartments* and extending the timeframe to complete the planning proposal by 3 months. The Planning Proposal is now due for completion by 28 April 2012.

No further action from Council is required at present. We will continue to process the planning proposal and once the amendment is drafted it will be sent to Council for review.

If you have any questions in relation to this matter, please contact Jenny Johnson of the Department of Planning and Infrastructure's Northern Branch on (02) 6641 6614.

Yours sincerely

Jim Clark

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