

Mr G Murphy General Manager Lismore City Council PO Box 23A LISMORE NSW 2480 Our ref: PP\_2015\_LISMO\_005\_00 (15/12592) Your ref: EF15/150

Dear Mr Murphy

## Planning proposal to amend Lismore Local Environmental Plan 2012 & Lismore Local Environmental Plan 2000

I am writing in response to your Council's letter dated 13<sup>th</sup> August 2015 requesting a Gateway determination under section 56 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (the Act) in respect of the planning proposal to reclassify and rezone Council owned land.

As delegate of the Minister for Planning, I have now determined the planning proposal should proceed subject to the conditions in the attached Gateway determination.

I have also agreed, as delegate of the Secretary, the planning proposal's inconsistency with S117 Direction 4.3 Flood Prone Land is of minor significance. In relation to S117 Direction 6.2 Reserving Land for Public Purposes, I have agreed to the reduction of land for public purposes on the basis that this land does not serve the function of open space and that the proposal is consistent with Council's open space strategy. No further approval is required in relation to these Directions.

Council will need to obtain the agreement of the Department's Secretary to comply with the requirements of S117 Direction 4.4 Planning for Bushfire Prone Land. Council should ensure this occurs prior to the plan being made.

The amending Local Environmental Plan (LEP) is to be finalised within 12 months of the week following the date of the Gateway determination. Council should aim to commence the exhibition of the planning proposal as soon as possible. Council's request for the Department of Planning and Environment to draft and finalise the LEP should be made 8 weeks prior to the projected publication date.

The State Government is committed to reducing the time taken to complete LEPs by tailoring the steps in the process to the complexity of the proposal, and by providing clear and publicly available justification for each plan at an early stage. In order to

meet these commitments, the Minister may take action under section 54(2)(d) of the Act if the time frames outlined in this determination are not met.

Should you have any queries in regard to this matter, I have arranged for Mr Luke Blandford of the Department's regional office to assist you. Mr Blandford can be contacted on (02) 6641 6612.

Yours sincerely

1 September 2015

Craig Diss
Acting General Manager, Northern Region
Planning Services

Encl: Gateway Determination



## **Gateway Determination**

Planning proposal (Department Ref: PP\_2015\_LISMO\_005\_00): to reclassify and rezone Council owned land.

I, the Acting General Manager, Northern Region at the Department of Planning and Environment as delegate of the Minister for Planning, have determined under section 56(2) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (the Act) that an amendment to the Lismore Local Environmental Plan (LEP) 2012 and Lismore LEP 2000 to reclassify and rezone Council owned land should proceed subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The Planning Proposal is required to be updated, prior to community consultation, to:
  - include the requirement for amending Lismore LEP 2000 in relation to Site No. 2;
  - reference the correct lot description for Site 3, being Lot 16 DP 552816;
  - include the revised Schedule 4 of Lismore LEP 2012 and Schedule 6 of Lismore LEP 2000, to confirm what allotments will have interests changed and what interest, if any, will be retained; and
  - include an updated Table 1, which is consistent with the revised Schedules listed above.
  - include consistent references to land which contains Koala Habitat under Table 2 on page 10 and Section 7(c) on page 17.
  - reference Site No. 4 rather than Site No. 5 as being located within a High Risk area under Table 3, Direction 4.3 Flood Prone Land, page 15.
  - indicate under Part 5 community consultation that details regarding what interests are changing will be made available for community inspection together with the other exhibited material.
- 2. Community consultation is required under sections 56(2)(c) and 57 of the Act as follows:
  - (a) the planning proposal must be made publicly available for a minimum of **28 days**; and
  - (b) the relevant planning authority must comply with the notice requirements for public exhibition of planning proposals and the specifications for material that must be made publicly available along with planning proposals as identified in section 5.5.2 of A Guide to Preparing LEPs (Department of Planning and Infrastructure 2013).

- 3. Consultation is required with the following public authorities under section 56(2)(d) of the Act and/or to comply with the requirements of relevant S117 Directions:
  - Office of Environmental and Heritage (Flooding)
  - NSW Rural Fire Service

Each public authority is to be provided with a copy of the planning proposal and any relevant supporting material, and given at least 21 days to comment on the proposal.

- 4. A public hearing on the extinguishment of reserve designations is to be held in accordance with Section 57 of the Act after completion of the public exhibition period.
- 5. The timeframe for completing the LEP is to be **12 months** from the week following the date of the Gateway determination.

Dated | day of September 2015

**Craig Diss** 

Acting General Manager, Northern Region Planning Services

**Department of Planning and Environment** 

**Delegate of the Minister for Planning**