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Dear Mr Cullen

Planning proposal to amend Liverpool LEP 2008 (Amendment No 65)

I am writing in response to your Council's email of 10 October 2016 and the attached letter from EI Australia advising the Department on the status of Acid Sulfate Soils and Contamination Assessments on land at 20 - 33 Shepherd Street, Liverpool.

Acid Sulfate Soils

The letter from EI Australia dated 29 September 2016 advises that acid sulfate soil analysis conducted on soil samples for individual parcels within the site has shown that the pH samples were greater than 4 and pH in H₂O were greater than 3.5 and therefore not indicative of acid sulfate soils (both actual and potential). Based on this information, as delegate of the Secretary of the Department of Planning and Environment, I have agreed that the planning proposal's inconsistency with Sections 117(2) Direction 4.1 Acid Sulfate Soils is of minor significance.

Contamination

It is noted that remediation works will be undertaken to make the land suitable for the proposed development at development stage. The Department is satisfied that the site will be suitable after remediation for the purpose for residential development.

It is considered that Council has satisfactorily addressed the condition 1 of the Gateway determination dated 9 September 2016. The proposal can now proceed subject to the remaining Gateway determination conditions.

If you have any queries in regard to this matter, please contact Cho Cho Myint of the Sydney Region West office on 02 9860 1507.

Yours sincerely,

12/10/16

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