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Dear Sir,

Re: Narrabri Local Environment Plan Amendment to the 2(a) zone for Narrabri Local Environment Plan Number 2, 5 and 1992.

I refer to the aforementioned matter and make particular reference to a recent application lodged with Council for the spot rezone (Local Environment Plan Amendment) at Lot 11 in Deposited Plan 253596 known as 17 Jenkins Street, Narrabri.

Council has considered at its April 2011 ordinary Council Meeting, the application and further has resolved to support the intent of the proposal upon this occasion. During discussions at the Council meeting it was the general consensus that the proposal will have significant economic and social benefits for the Narrabri Shire community, not only through the provision of further accommodation supply but also have significant flow on effects for investment in the local community.

The proposal seeks to amend the Narrabri Local Environment Plan Number 2,5 and 1992 to allow for a variety of accommodation type uses within the 2(a) Residential zone. It is noted that the proposal is supported by the Growth Management Plan for Narrabri Shire where the equivalent R1 zone under the standard instrument will permit the uses as proposed.

In accordance with section 56 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* please find attached the planning proposal for the Department's consideration, in order to seek approval for the amendment through the 'Gateway determination process'.

Could the Department please advise if the proposal meets the requirements of the 'Gateway process' and further, if this is viewed favourably, the time period for public exhibition under section 56(2)(c), section 57 and the Government Agencies which must be consulted under 56(2)(d) of the Act.

Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact myself within Planning and Development Services of Council.

Yours faithfully,

Mr Nick Wilton MANAGER PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

Encl: Planning Proposal