

Office of the Director General

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Dear Mr Rawlings

Residential Component of Kempsey Local Growth Management Strategy

I refer to your letter seeking my approval of the Residential Component of Council's Local Growth Management Strategy.

I am pleased to advise that I have agreed to the Strategy with the exception of sites at Euroka (KUIA5) and Spencerville (SWRUIA6). A table is attached indicating the sites which have been agreed to. The local issues and constraints applying to the approved areas can be addressed when planning proposals are prepared.

The long term nature of the Euroka proposal suggests there is no urgent need for this land. Council may wish to refine the proposal having regard for mapped biodiversity constraints. Unconstrained parts of the land can then be considered in a future amendment of the Strategy, if required.

The Spencerville site is marked by hatching in the Mid North Coast Regional Strategy growth area map indicating that biodiversity investigations were then underway. I understand the process is not proceeding at present. The release of SWRUIA 6 therefore cannot be agreed to at this stage. However, if an adequate investigation is carried out within the site and any land is found to be unconstrained, the LGMS can be amended to include that land only, and submitted to me for an updated approval.

According to the LGMS, South West Rocks approaches the capacity of the present water supply scheme at peak times. I understand the Council is investigating measures to address future supply. When any planning proposals are prepared for releases at South West Rocks they will need to address the ability of water infrastructure to service the additional population.

Should you have any further enquiries about this matter, I have arranged for Ms Claire Purvis of the Department's Northern Region to assist you. Claire may be contacted on telephone number 6641 6611.

Yours sincerely

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Sam Haddad
Director General

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Attachment

Kempsey Local Growth Management Strategy - Residential Component Sites agreed to by the Director General, Planning and Infrastructure.

The following sites and time-frames are agreed for release, subject to resolution of the local issues and constraints applying to the areas when planning proposals are prepared.

Time-frame	Location
Short	North St, Kempsey KUIA 1
Short	North St, Kempsey KUIA 2
Short	Gothic St, SW Rocks SWRUIA 3
Short	Baker St West, Crescent Head CHUIA 1
Short	Macleay St Frederickton FUIA 1
Short	Melville land, Part lot 82 DP263591 South West Rocks
Medium	River St, Kempsey KUIA 3
Medium	Greenhills, Kempsey KUIA 4
Medium	Seascape East, SW Rocks SWRUIA 4
Medium	Caltex site, South West Rocks SWRUIA5
Long	Frederickton FUIA 2