



Mr Allan Young  
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Attention: Andrew Mooney

Dear Mr Young

**Planning proposal PP\_2020\_FAIRF\_001\_00 to amend Fairfield Local Environmental Plan 2013**

I am writing in response to Council's request for a Gateway determination under section 3.34(1) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (the Act) and additional information received on date 20 March 2020 in respect of the planning proposal to ensure the Fairfield Local Environmental Plan 2013 aligns with the Western City District Plan and Fairfield Local Strategic Planning Statement. I note the planning proposal is the first stage to giving effect to your Local Strategic Planning Statement.

As delegate of the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces, I have now determined that the planning proposal should proceed subject to the conditions in the enclosed Gateway determination. I note one such condition is the removal of the following proposed amendments and associated references or maps from the planning proposal:

- New Aim of Plan relating to Fairfield LSPS; and
- Floodplain Risk Management amendments.

I have also agreed, as delegate of the Secretary, the planning proposal's inconsistencies with section 9.1 Direction 6.3 Site Specific Provisions is minor or justified in accordance with the terms of the Direction. No further approval is required in relation to these Directions.

Council may still need to obtain the agreement of the Secretary to comply with the requirements of relevant section 9.1 Directions 3.5 Development Near Regulated Airports and Defence Airfields and 6.1 Approval and Referral Requirements. Council should ensure this occurs prior to the plan being made. As required by Direction 6.1 Approval and Referral Requirements the Gateway includes a condition requiring that Council consult with the Chief executive of the relevant local health district prior to exhibition of the Plan. Having regard to the timeframe for finalisation of the Plan please contact the Department if you require assistance with this consultation.

Council is required to submit the planning proposal to the Department for finalisation prior to 30 June 2020. Council should aim to commence the exhibition of the planning proposal as soon as possible. Council's request for the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment to draft and finalise the LEP should be made before the required 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 3.32(2)(d) of the Act if the time frames outlined in this determination are not met.

Should you have any enquiries about this matter, I have arranged for Mr Amar Saini to assist you. Mr Saini can be contacted on 9373 2880.

Yours sincerely



14/04/20

**Catherine Van Laeren**  
**Executive Director**  
**Central River City and Western Parkland City**

Encl: Gateway determination