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Dear Mr Robinson

Planning proposal PP_2019_BLACK_006_00 to amend Blacktown Local Environmental Plan 2015

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 6 August 2019 in respect of the planning proposal to reclassify land from 'community' to 'operational' at Dexter Place, Plumpton.

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 have also agreed, as delegate of the Secretary, the planning proposal's inconsistency with section 9.1 Directions 1.1 Business and Industrial Zones and 6.2 Reserving Land for Public Purposes are justified in accordance with the terms of the Direction. No further approval is required in relation to these Directions.

Council is reminded of its obligation for undertaking a public hearing in relation to the proposed reclassification of land in accordance with the Department Practice Note PN 16-001 – classification and reclassification of public land through a local environmental plan.

I have determined not to condition the Gateway for Council to be the local plan-making authority as the planning proposal seeks to reclassify land from 'Community' to 'Operational' and a subsequent change to the interests on the land. As a result, the Governor's approval is required to remove the public reserve status under Section 30 of the Local Government Act, accordingly, delegation cannot be granted.

The amending local environmental is to be finalised within nine months of 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, Industry and Environment to draft and finalise the LEP should be made eight 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 3.32(2)(d) of the Act if the time frames outlined in this determination are not met.

For any questions about this proposal, please contact Mr Ryan Klingberg, Senior Planning Officer, Central (Western) on 9860 1561.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gina Metcalfe', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Gina Metcalfe
Acting Director – Central (Western)
Greater Sydney, Place and Infrastructure
2 September 2019
Encl: Gateway determination