

PP_2018_BLACK_008_00 (IRF18/5346)

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Dear Mr Robinson

Planning proposal PP_2018_BLACK_008_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) in respect of the planning proposal to rezone land in Prospect, south of the M4 motorway, from RU4 Primary Production Small Lots, to IN1 General Industrial, SP2 Infrastructure (Drainage) and SP2 Infrastructure (Local Road) and remove minimum lot size controls.

As delegate of the Greater Sydney Commission, 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 Direction 1.2 Rural Zones is justified in accordance with the terms of the Direction. No further approval is required in relation to this Direction.

Council may still need to obtain the agreement of the Department's Secretary to comply with the requirements of section 9.1 Direction 2.3 Heritage Conservation. Council should ensure this occurs prior to the plan being made.

The amending Local Environmental Plan (LEP) is to be finalised within 9 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 and Environment to draft and finalise the LEP should be made 8 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 Greater Sydney Commission 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 further enquiries about this matter, I have arranged for Mr Mark Dennett to assist you. Mr Dennett can be contacted on 9860 1534.

Yours sincerely

Stephen Murray

Executive Director, Regions

Planning Services

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Gateway determination