

PP\_2018\_THILL\_006\_00 (IRF18/3030)

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Dear Mr Edgar,

## Planning proposal PP\_2018\_THILL\_006\_00 to amend The Hills Local Environmental Plan 2012

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 in respect of the planning proposal to redistributing areas of R3 Medium Density Residential and R4 High Density Residential zones within 'Precinct B" of the Box Hill North Precinct ('The Gables').

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.

It is noted that Council has requested to be authorised as the local plan-making authority. I have considered the nature of Council's planning proposal and have conditioned the Gateway for Council to be authorised as the local plan-making authority.

The amending Local Environmental Plan (LEP) is to be finalised within 6 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 to draft and finalise the LEP should be made directly to Parliamentary Counsel's Office 6 weeks prior to the projected publication date. A copy of the request should be forwarded to the Department of Planning and Environment.

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 Ms Angela Hynes, Senior Planning Officer, Sydney Region West to assist you. Ms Hynes can be contacted on 9860 1558.

Yours sincerely

Ann-Maree Carruthers 16/7/18

**Director, Sydney Region West** 

**Planning Services** 

Encl: Gateway determination

Local plan-making authority reporting template