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Dear Ms Oldham

## Planning proposal PP\_2018\_LISMO\_003\_00 to amend Lismore 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) in respect of the planning proposal to rezone part of 1A and 1B Northcott Drive, Goonellabah (Lot 2 DP 777930 and Lot 1 DP 1213247) to R1 General Residential, amend the minimum lot size to 400m<sup>2</sup>, and to apply a maximum building height of 8.5m to the land being rezoned R1 General Residential.

As delegate of the Minister for Planning, 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 inconsistencies with section 9.1 Directions 1.2 Rural Zones, 1.5 Rural Lands, 2.1 Environment Protection Zones, 2.3 Heritage Conservation and 3.1 Residential Zones are 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 section 9.1 Direction 4.4 Planning for Bushfire Protection. Council should ensure this occurs prior to public exhibition.

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 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 to draft and finalise the LEP should be made directly to Parliamentary Counsel's Office six 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 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 further enquiries about this matter, I have arranged for Ms Alison Parr to assist you. Ms Parr can be contacted on 6641 6612.

Yours sincerely

29-10-2018

Jeremy Gray Director Regions, Northern Planning Services

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