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Dear Mr Dedes

Planning proposal PP_2018_RYDEC_002_00 to amend Ryde Local Environmental Plan 2014

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 Dunbar Estate from R3 Medium Density Residential to R2 Low Density Residential.

As delegate of the Greater Sydney Commission, I have now determined the planning proposal should proceed subject to the conditions in the enclosed Gateway determination.

I have included a requirement that the proposal be updated prior to Council commencing community consultation to include a savings provision for any current development applications or appeal processes, and to discuss the recently released Greater Sydney Region Plan and North District Plan.

Council will need to obtain the agreement of the Department of Planning and Environment's Secretary to comply with the requirements of section 9.1 Direction 3.1 Residential Zones. Council should ensure this occurs prior to the plan being made.

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 12 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.

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 enquiries about this matter, I have arranged for Ms Elvie Magallanes to assist you. Ms Magallanes can be contacted on 9860 1439.

Yours sincerely

 13 April 2013
Stephen Murray
Executive Director, Regions
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Encl: Gateway determination
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