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Dear Mr Stoneham

## Planning proposal PP\_2018\_PENRI\_004\_00 to amend Penrith Local Environmental Plan 2010

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 increase the floor space ratio and height of building development standards at 33-43 Phillip Street, St Marys.

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 noted that the proposal does not include adjoining land to the east of the site which is also zoned B4 Mixed Use. For the orderly development of the subject land and this adjoining land, I have conditioned the determination for Council to consider including the adjoining land in the planning proposal, and if found appropriate, to seek a revised determination.

I have also agreed, as delegate of the Secretary, the planning proposal's inconsistencies with section 9.1 Directions 1.1 Business and Industrial Zones 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 Department's Secretary to comply with the requirements of section 9.1 Direction 2.3 Heritage Conservation. Council should ensure this occurs prior to community consultation.

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 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 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 Mr Michael Cividin to assist you. Mr Cividin can be contacted on 9860 1554.

Yours sincerely

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**Director, Sydney Region West** 

**Planning Services** 

Encl: Gateway determination

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