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Our ref: S09/02020 Your ref: F2009/00435

Mr Ray Brownlee General Manager Randwick City Council 30 Frances Street RANDWICK NSW 2031

Dear Mr Brownlee,

## Re: Planning Proposal to amend the definition of 'restaurant' in the Randwick LEP 1998 to make the provision and consumption of food the primary purpose and the service of alcohol auxiliary

I am writing in response to your Council's letter dated 6 October 2009 requesting a Gateway Determination under section 56 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 ('EP&A Act') in respect of the planning proposal to amend Randwick Local Environmental Plan 1998 to amend the definition of 'restaurant' to make the provision and consumption of food the primary purpose and the service of alcohol auxiliary.

As delegate of the Minister for Planning, I have now issued a Gateway Determination, which is attached. The Determination is that the matter should <u>not</u> proceed for the reasons listed in the attached Determination schedule.

Should you have any queries in regard to this matter, please contact Mr Richard Roper in the Regional Office of the Department.

Yours sincerely,

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## **Gateway Determination**

**Planning Proposal (Department Ref: S09/02020):** To amend the definition of 'restaurant' in the Randwick LEP 1998 to make the provision and consumption of food the primary purpose and the service of alcohol auxiliary.

I, the Director General as delegate of the Minister for Planning, have determined under section 56(2) of the EP&A Act that an amendment of the Randwick Local Environmental Plan 1998 to amend the definition of 'restaurant' to make the provision and consumption of food the primary purpose and the service of alcohol auxiliary **should not proceed** for the following reason(s):

- 1. There is insufficient strategic justification given in the Planning Proposal for the proposed change in the 'restaurant' definition.
- 2. The proposed definition of 'restaurant' is inconsistent with the definition contained in the Standard Instrument (LEPs) Order 2006. Council should not be employing a definition different in meaning to that in the Standard Instrument which applies state-wide.
- 3. The proposed definition appears to impose a restriction on the operation of restaurants which is contrary to a function permissible under the NSW liquor licensing laws.

Dated

5th day of November

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Sam Haddad Delegate for the Minister for Planning