

Mr Rob Noble Interim General Manager Central Coast Council PO Box 21 GOSFORD NSW 2250 Our ref: PP\_2016\_GOSFO\_004\_00 (16/05430)

Attention: Michael Bowman

Dear Mr Noble

## Planning proposal to amend Gosford Local Environmental Plan 2014

I am writing in response to your Council's letter requesting a Gateway determination under section 56 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 (the Act) in respect of the planning proposal to expand industrial zoned land and provide for environmental protection and management of constrained lands adjoining Somersby Business Park, Somersby.

As delegate of the Minister for Planning, I have now determined the planning proposal should proceed subject to the conditions in the attached Gateway determination.

I have also agreed, as delegate of the Secretary, the planning proposal's inconsistency with S117 Directions 1.1 Business and Industrial Zones is of minor significance. No further approval is required in relation to this Direction.

Council may still need to obtain the agreement of the Department's Secretary to comply with the requirements of relevant S117 Directions. Council should ensure this occurs prior to the plan being made.

Plan making powers were delegated to councils by the Minister in October 2012. It is noted that Council has requested to be issued with delegation for this planning proposal. I have considered the nature of Council's planning proposal and have decided to issue an authorisation for Council to exercise delegation to make this plan.

The amending Local Environmental Plan (LEP) is to be finalised within 12 months of the week following 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 for administrative purposes.

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 54(2)(d) of the Act if the time frames outlined in this determination are not met.

Should you have any queries in regard to this matter, I have arranged for Mr Glenn Hornal of the Department's regional office to assist you. Mr Hornal can be contacted on (02) 4348 5000.

Yours sincerely

27/5/2016

Monica Gibson Director Regions, Hunter and Central Coast Planning Services

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Gateway Determination Written Authorisation to Exercise Delegation Attachment 5 – Delegated Plan Making Reporting Template



## **Gateway Determination**

**Planning proposal (Department Ref: PP\_2016\_GOSFO\_004\_00)**: to expand industrial zoned land and provide for environmental protection and management of constrained lands adjoining Somersby Business Park, Somersby.

I, the Director Regions, Hunter and Central Coast at the Department of Planning and Environment as delegate of the Minister for Planning, have determined under section 56(2) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (the Act) that an amendment to the Gosford Local Environmental Plan (LEP) 2014 to expand industrial zoned land and provide for environmental protection and management of constrained lands adjoining Somersby Business Park, Somersby should proceed subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Prior to undertaking public exhibition, Council is to update the planning proposal to:
  - include information on heritage matters;
  - include information on soil contamination and geotechnical investigations;
  - include consideration and justification for the proposed IN1 lot sizes;
  - include consideration of the amenity impacts on existing dwellings in the vicinity of the proposed industrial zones;
  - include consideration of biodiversity impacts of the proposed E zones interface with the proposed industrial zoning;
  - clarify and justify whether the proposed IN1 land is to be included in the Somersby Business Park Map;
  - clarify whether the Plan of Management that applies to Somersby Business Park will be amended to include the proposed lots;
  - include discussion of any funding agreements for infrastructure that applied to Somersby Business Park and the relationship of such agreements to the lots proposed to be rezoned.
- Council is to update the planning proposal to include sufficient additional information to adequately demonstrate consistency or justify any inconsistency with the below S117 Directions and other policies:
  - 1.2 Rural Zones
  - 1.3 Mining, Petroleum Production and Extractive Industries
  - 2.1 Environment Protection Zones
  - 2.3 Heritage Conservation
  - 4.2 Mine Subsidence and Unstable Land
  - 4.4 Planning for Bushfire Protection
  - 5.1 Implementation of Regional Strategies
  - SREP No 9—Extractive Industry (No 2—1995)
- Council is to ensure that the planning proposal satisfies the requirements of State Environmental Planning Policy (SEPP) 55 – Remediation of Land. Council is to prepare an initial site contamination investigation report to demonstrate that the sites are suitable for rezoning to the proposed zone. This report is to be included as part of the public exhibition material.
- 4. Community consultation is required under sections 56(2)(c) and 57 of the Act as follows:
  - (a) the planning proposal must be made publicly available for a minimum of **28 days**; and



- (b) the relevant planning authority must comply with the notice requirements for public exhibition of planning proposals and the specifications for material that must be made publicly available along with planning proposals as identified in section 5.5.2 of *A Guide to Preparing LEPs (Department of Planning and Infrastructure 2013)*.
- 5. Consultation is required with the following public authorities under section 56(2)(d) of the Act and/or to comply with the requirements of relevant S117 Directions:
  - Office of Environment and Heritage Heritage and Biodiversity
  - NSW Rural Fire Service
  - Department of Industry Resources and Energy
  - Department of Primary Industries Agriculture
  - Transport for NSW Roads and Maritime Services (including any infrastructure requirements)
  - Transport for NSW (including any infrastructure requirements)
  - Darkinjung Local Aboriginal Land Council
  - Guringai Tribal Link
  - Environment Protection Authority
  - Central Coast Regional Development Corporation
  - Department of Justice Juvenile Justice Kariong Correctional Centre

Each public authority is to be provided with a copy of the planning proposal and any relevant supporting material, and given at least 21 days to comment on the proposal.

- 6. A public hearing is not required to be held into the matter by any person or body under section 56(2)(e) of the Act. This does not discharge Council from any obligation it may otherwise have to conduct a public hearing (for example, in response to a submission or if reclassifying land).
- 7. The timeframe for completing the LEP is to be **12 months** from the week following the date of the Gateway determination.

Dated 27th day of May 2016

Monica Gibson

Director Regions, Hunter and Central Coast

**Planning Services** 

**Department of Planning and Environment** 

**Delegate of the Minister for Planning** 



### WRITTEN AUTHORISATION TO EXERCISE DELEGATION

Central Coast Council is authorised to exercise the functions of the Minister for Planning under section 59 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* that are delegated to it by instrument of delegation dated 14 October 2012, in relation to the following planning proposal:

Number	Name
PP_2016_GOSFO_004_00	Planning proposal to expand industrial zoned land and provide for environmental protection and management of constrained lands adjoining Somersby Business Park, Somersby.

In exercising the Minister's functions under section 59, the Council must comply with the Department of Planning and Environment's "A guide to preparing local environmental plans" and "A guide to preparing planning proposals".

Dated 27th May 2016

**Monica Gibson** 

**Director Regions, Hunter and Central Coast** 

**Planning Services** 

**Department of Planning and Environment** 

**Delegate of the Minister for Planning** 

# Attachment 5 – Delegated plan making reporting template

## Reporting template for delegated LEP amendments

### Notes:

- Planning proposal number will be provided by the Department of Planning and Environment following receipt of the planning proposal
- The Department of Planning and Environment will fill in the details of Tables 1 and 3
- RPA is to fill in details for Table 2
- If the planning proposal is exhibited more than once, the RPA should add additional rows to **Table 2** to include this information
- The RPA must notify the relevant contact officer in the regional office in writing of the dates as they occur to ensure the publicly accessible LEP Tracking System is kept up to date
- A copy of this completed report must be provided to the Department of Planning and Environment with the RPA's request to have the LEP notified

Table 1 – To be completed by Department of Planning and Environment

Stage	Date/Details
Planning Proposal Number	PP_2016_GOSFO_004_00
Date Sent to DoP&E under s56	30 March 2016
Date considered adequate	23 May 2016
Date considered at LEP Review Panel	N/A
Gateway determination date	27 May 2016

Table 2 - To be completed by the RPA

Stage	Date/Details	Notified Reg Off
Dates draft LEP exhibited		
Date of public hearing (if held)		
Date sent to PCO seeking Opinion		
Date Opinion received		
Date Council Resolved to Adopt LEP		
Date LEP made by GM (or other) under delegation		
Date sent to DoP&E requesting notification		

Table 3 – To be completed by Department of Planning and Environment

Stage	Date/Details
Notification Date and details	

## Additional relevant information: