



Mr David Farmer General Manager Wollongong City Council Locked Bag 8821 Wollongong DC NSW 2500

Dear Mr Farmer

Planning Proposal PP_WOLLG_2018_001_00 to amend Council Local Environmental Plan 2009

I am writing in response to Council's request on 15 February 2018 for a Gateway determination under Section 3.34 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (the Act) in respect of the Planning Proposal to reclassify six Council owned lots from Community Land to Operational Land, and to rezone three of the lots from RE1 (Public Recreation) to R2 (Low Density Residential) under the existing Wollongong LEP 2009.

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 Section 9.1 Directions 4.1 Acid Sulphate Soils and 4.3 Flood Prone Land are justified in accordance with the terms of the Directions. No further approval is required in relation to these Directions.

I have considered Council's request not to be issued delegation, as the proposal involves Council land that is to be reclassified, rezoned, minimum lot size reduced and with five interests to be discharged. This request is supported, as the Governor's approval is required for the proposed reclassification.

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 for the Department of Planning and Environment to draft and finalise the LEP should be made 8 weeks prior to the projected publication date.

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 Karen Kirk-Torresan to assist you. Ms Kirk-Torresan can be contacted on 4224 9461.

Yours sincerely

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