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**Dear Ms Wallace** 

I refer to Council's letter dated 11 February 2016 requesting a Gateway determination under section 56 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (the Act) in respect of the planning proposal to correct minor anomalies and inconsistencies including amendments to Schedule 5 Environmental heritage.

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

Prior to public exhibition, the planning proposal is to be updated to include a heritage assessment to support the removal of 30 Hamilton Street, Bardwell Valley from Schedule 5 Environmental heritage and to the justify the inconsistency with section 117 Direction 2.3 Heritage Conservation. The updated planning proposal must be provided to the Department for review, prior to public exhibition.

I have agreed that all other items proposed are consistent with the applicable section 117 Directions and that no further approval is required in relation to these Directions.

The amending Local Environmental Plan is to be finalised within 6 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 draft Plan 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 timeframes outlined in this determination are not met.

If you have any queries in regard to this matter, please contact Ms Deewa Baral of the Department's Sydney Region East on (02) 9228 6572.

Yours sincerely

Karen Armstrong 22/3/16

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Encl: Gateway Determination Written Authorisation to Exercise Delegation Attachment 5 – Delegated plan making reporting template