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## Planning proposal to amend Wingecarribee Local Environmental Plan (2010)

I am writing in response to your Council's letter dated 28<sup>th</sup> October 2013 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 insert a Local Clause to permit consideration of boundary changes between lots in certain zones.

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

I consider that under s117 Directions 4.4 Planning for Bushfire Protection and 5.2 Sydney Water Catchments that consultation is required with the NSW Rural Fire Service and Sydney Catchment Authority respectively. This can be undertaken as part of the community consultation process.

I am satisfied that the planning proposal is consistent with all other relevant s117 Directions. No further referral or approval is required in relation to these Directions once the above consultation has been undertaken.

The Minister delegated his plan making powers to councils 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 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 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 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 EP&A Act if the time frames outlined in this determination are not met.

Should you have any queries in regard to this matter, please contact Ms Ann Martin of the Southern Regional office of the Department on 02 42249466.

28 November 2013

Yours sincerely,

Brett Whitworth Regional Director

Southern Region

**Planning Operations & Regional Delivery** 

## **Gateway Determination**

Planning proposal (Department Ref: PP 2013 WINGE 021 00: to insert a Local Clause to permit consideration of boundary changes between lots in certain rural, residential and environmental zones.

I, the Regional Director, Southern Region of the Department of Planning and Infrastructure as delegate of the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure, have determined under section 56(2) of the EP&A Act that an amendment to the Wingecarribee Local Environmental Plan (LEP) (2010) to insert a Local Clause to permit boundary changes in certain zones should proceed subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Community consultation is required under sections 56(2)(c) and 57 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 ("EP&A Act") as follows:
  - the planning proposal is classified as low impact as described in A guide to preparing LEPs (Department of Planning & Infrastructure 2013) and must be made publicly available for a minimum of 14 days; and
  - 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 & Infrastructure 2013).
- Consultation is required with the following public authorities under section 56(2)(d) of the 2. EP&A Act and/or to comply with the requirements of relevant s117 Directions:
  - Sydney Water Catchment Authority (s117 5.2)
  - NSW Rural Fire Service (s117 4.4)

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.

- 3. A public hearing is not required to be held into the matter by any person or body under section 56(2)(e) of the EP&A 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).
- 4. The timeframe for completing the LEP is to be 6 months from the week following the date of the Gateway determination.

Dated 287 day of November

**Brett Whitworth Regional Director** Southern Region

Planning Operations & Regional Delivery **Department of Planning & Infrastructure** 

Delegate of the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure



## WRITTEN AUTHORISATION TO EXERCISE DELEGATION

Wingecarribee Shire Council is authorised to exercise the functions of the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure 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_2013_WINGE_021 _00	Planning proposal to Insert a local clause in the Wingecarribee LEP 2010 to enable the consideration
	of boundary adjustments in certain zones.

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

Dated 28 November 2013

Brett Whitworth Regional Director Southern Region

**Department of Planning and Infrastructure**