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Attention: **Trent Wink**

Dear Mr Wink

**SUBMISSION OF PLANNING PROPOSAL FOR 505 MINMI ROAD FLETCHER IN
ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 56 OF THE ACT, SEEKING GATEWAY
DETERMINATION.**

Notice is hereby given that Council, at its meeting of 18 December 2012, resolved:

Council:

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- a pursuant to Section 55 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment (EP&A) Act 1979, to endorse a planning proposal to enable low density residential development and appropriate environmental conservation areas to occur on Lot 1 DP 844711, 505 Minmi Road, Fletcher as outlined in Attachment A;*
- b to forward the planning proposal (Attachment A) to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure for 'gateway determination' under Section 56 of the EP&A Act, 1979; and*
- c that the outcomes of the community consultation process are reported back to Council if unresolved objections are received.*

B *Councillors to receive a briefing at the completion of the public exhibition period prior to any report going before council. The briefing should include but not be limited to:*

1. The outcomes to the questions asked:

- a) On what ground was the rezoning application rejected by the Minister for planning for gateway determination?*
- b) What was the result of Council officers investigations into the reported*



- i) *illegal tree clearing and filling of gullies*
- ii) *the erection of partially fenced area where there was the introduction of goats.*

c) *How does this rezoning application correlate with the Coal and Allied Development plan for the area?*

d) *What overall effect will the two individual plans have on the area?*

e) *How is the issue raised in the letter by the Office of the Environment and Heritage? In particular, the short fall in bio-banking credits being addressed.*

2. *Any relevant information that the officers may consider important for Councillors to be informed of. This should include in detail:*

a) *Information about the Coal and Allied plan*

b) *Comments if any from the Minister for planning and infrastructure for gateway determination".*

Council seeks 'Gateway Determination' pursuant to section 56(1) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment (EP&A) Act 1979, with respect to the subject proposal.

Council does not wish to request Authorisation to make the plan for the subject proposal.

Please find attached an electronic copy of the report to Council, Planning Proposal, Flora Fauna and Threatened Species Assessment, Biodiversity Offset Strategy and Bushfire Threat Assessment.

If you require any further information, please contact me on 4974 2274 or email on sturkington@ncc.nsw.gov.au.

Yours faithfully



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