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Dear Ms Barnes

## Planning proposal to amend Bega Valley Local Environmental Plan 2013

I am writing in response to your Council's letter dated 10<sup>th</sup> February 2015 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 rezone lots on the fringes of the Eden Town Centre to contribute to the revitalisation of the Eden Town Centre.

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

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 18 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 EP&A 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 Ms Ann Martin of the Department's regional office to assist you. Ms Martin can be contacted on (02)4224 9466.

Yours sincerely,

Brett Whitworth General Manager Southern Region

Planning Services

Encl:

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

4 March 2015



## **Gateway Determination**

Planning proposal (Department Ref: PP\_2015\_BEGAV\_003\_00): to rezone lots on the fringes of the Eden Town Centre to contribute to the revitalisation of the Eden Town Centre.

- I, the General Manager, Southern Region at the Department of Planning and Environment as delegate of the Minister for Planning, have determined under section 56(2) of the EP&A Act that an amendment to the Bega Valley Local Environmental Plan (LEP) 2013 to rezone lots on the fringes of the Eden Town Centre to contribute to revitalisation of the Eden should proceed subject to the following conditions:
- 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 must be made publicly available for a minimum of 28 days; (a)
  - the relevant planning authority must comply with the notice requirements for public (b) 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 Environment 2013).

No consultation is required with public authorities under section 56(2)(d) of the EP&A Act

- 2. 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).
- 3. The timeframe for completing the LEP is to be 18 months from the week following the date of the Gateway determination.

Dated

day of March

2015.

**Brett Whitworth General Manager** Southern Region Planning Services

**Department of Planning and Environment** 

**Delegate of the Minister for Planning** 



## WRITTEN AUTHORISATION TO EXERCISE DELEGATION

Bega Valley Shire 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_2015_BEGAV _003 _00	Planning proposal to rezone lots on the fringes of the Eden Town Centre to contribute to the revitalisation of the Eden Town Centre.

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

2015

Brett Whitworth General Manager Southern Region Planning Services

**Department of Planning and Environment**