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Our ref: W09/00112 Your ref: E09/8560

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

Dear Mr Farmer.

Re: Planning Proposal to rezone land in Wentworth Street, Port Kembla (Lot 1 DP 654976 and Lot 2 DP 154073) from B6 Enterprise Corridor to B7 Business Park zone, with increased height from 11m to 20m and FSR from 0.5:1 to 1.5:1, to support an office development

I am writing in response to your Council's letter dated 16 September 2009 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 amend Wollongong Local Environmental Plan 2009 to rezone land in Wentworth Street, Port Kembla (Lot 1 DP 654976 and Lot 2 DP 154073) from B6 Enterprise Corridor to B7 Business Park zone, with increased height from 11m to 20m and FSR from 0.5:1 to 1.5:1, to support an office development.

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.

The Gateway Determination requires that the planning proposal be made publicly available for a period of 28 days. Under section 57(2) of the Act I am satisfied that the planning proposal is in a form that can be made available for community consultation.

The amending Local Environmental Plan (LEP) is to be finalised within 6 months of the week following the date of the Gateway Determination.

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 s54(2)(d) of the EP&A Act if the time frames outlined in this determination are not met.

Should you have any gueries in regard to this matter, please contact the Regional Office of the Department.

Yours sincerely,



## **Gateway Determination**

**Planning Proposal (Department Ref: W09/00112):** To rezone land in Wentworth Street, Port Kembla (Lot 1 DP 654976 and Lot 2 DP 154073) from B6 Enterprise Corridor to B7 Business Park zone, with increased height from 11m to 20m and FSR from 0.5:1 to 1.5:1, to support an office development.

I, the Director General as delegate of the Minister for Planning, have determined under section 56(2) of the EP&A Act that an amendment of the Wollongong Local Environmental Plan 2009 to rezone land in Wentworth Street, Port Kembla (Lot 1 DP 654976 and Lot 2 DP 154073) from B6 Enterprise Corridor to B7 Business Park zone, with increased height from 11m to 20m and FSR from 0.5:1 to 1.5:1, to support an office development 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:
  - (a) the planning proposal is not classified as low impact as described in *A Guide to Preparing LEPs* (Department of Planning 2009) and therefore must be made publicly available for **28 days**; and
  - (b) 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 4.5 of A Guide to Preparing LEPs (Department of Planning 2009).
- 2. Consultation under section 56(2)(d) of the EP&A Act is only required with the following State public authorities that will or may be adversely affected by the proposed instrument:
  - NSW Roads and Traffic Authority.
- 3. No public hearing is to be held into the matter under section 56(2)(e) of the EP&A Act.
- 4. The timeframe for completing the LEP is to be **6 months** from the week following the date of the Gateway determination.

Dated 6 th day of

October

2009.

Sam Haddad —

**Delegate for the Minister for Planning**