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**Attention:** Norma Shankie-Williams, Team Leader Strategic Planning

Dear Ms Just

**Planning proposal (PP-2021-2470) to amend Willoughby Local Environmental Plan 2012 – 629-639 Pacific Highway, Willoughby**

I am writing in response to Council's request for a Gateway determination under section 3.34(1) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (the Act) in respect of the planning proposal to rezone land from B5 Business Development to B4 Mixed Use, increase the maximum height of buildings from 20m to 90m and increase the maximum floor space ratio from 2.5:1 to 6:1 for land at 629-639 Pacific Highway, Chatswood.

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

It is noted that Council has requested to be authorised as the local plan-making authority. I have considered the nature of Council's planning proposal and have conditioned the Gateway for Council to be authorised as the local plan-making authority.

The amending local environmental plan (LEP) is to be finalised within nine months of 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 six weeks prior to the projected publication date. A copy of the request should be forwarded to the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment.

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 3.32(2)(d) of the Act if the time frames outlined in this determination are not met.

Should you have any enquiries about this matter, I have arranged for Ms Charlene Nelson, Manager, North District to assist you. Ms Nelson can be contacted on 9274 6570.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Brendan Metcalfe". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

**12 April 2021**  
**Brendan Metcalfe**  
**Director, North District**  
**Eastern Harbour City**

Encl: Gateway determination  
Authorised plan-making reporting template