

## Gateway Determination

**Planning proposal (Department Ref: PP-2021-4130):** to facilitate a highway service centre as an additional permitted use on Lot 2 DP 634170, Schwonberg Street, Townsend.

I, the Director, Northern Region at the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment, as delegate of the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces, have determined under section 3.34(2) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (the Act) that an amendment to the Clarence Valley Local Environmental Plan (LEP) 2011 to facilitate a highway service centre as an additional permitted use on Lot 2 DP 634170, Schwonberg Street, Townsend, should proceed subject to the following conditions:

1. Prior to agency and community consultation, the planning proposal is to be updated to:
  - (a) include discussion on the proposal's consistency with Council's Local Strategic Planning Statement;
  - (b) include discussion on the likely increased employment opportunities and expected social benefits of the proposal; and
  - (c) include reference to all supporting studies.
2. Public exhibition is required under section 3.34(2)(c) and schedule 1 clause 4 of the Act as follows:
  - (a) the planning proposal must be made publicly available for a minimum of **14 days**; and
  - (b) the planning proposal 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 6.5.2 of *A guide to preparing local environmental plans* (Department of Planning and Environment, 2018).
3. Consultation is required with the following public authorities/organisations under section 3.34(2)(d) of the Act and/or to comply with the requirements of relevant section 9.1 Directions:
  - Transport for NSW (Roads and Maritime Services)
  - Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (Biodiversity and Conservation Division)
  - Yaegl Traditional Owners Corporation
  - NSW Environment Protection Authority

Each public authority/organisation 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.

4. A public hearing is not required to be held into the matter by any person or body under section 3.34(2)(e) of the 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).
5. The planning proposal authority is authorised as the local plan-making authority to exercise the functions under section 3.36(2) of the Act subject to the following:
  - (a) the planning proposal authority has satisfied all the conditions of the Gateway determination;
  - (b) the planning proposal is consistent with section 9.1 Directions or the Secretary has agreed that any inconsistencies are justified; and
  - (c) there are no outstanding written objections from public authorities.
6. The time frame for completing the LEP is to be **9 months** following the date of the Gateway determination.

Dated 15 day of July 2021.



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**Delegate of the Minister for Planning**  
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