Department of Planning and Environment



PP-2021-5934 (IRF23/2627)

Mr Michael Edgar General Manager The Hills Shire Council 3 Columbia Court NORWEST NSW 2153

Dear Mr Edgar

The Hills Local Environmental Plan 2019 (Amendment No 25)

I refer to the proposal to amend The Hills Local Environmental Plan 2019 to include 'seniors housing' as an additional permitted use under Schedule 1 and amend development standards to facilitate the redevelopment of the existing seniors housing at 346-350 Old Northern Road, Castle Hill.

I acknowledge that Council resolved not to support the finalisation of this matter. I have considered the proposal, including its history and improvements and am satisfied that the proposal can now be made.

As such, I advise that as the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces' delegate, I have made the plan under section 3.36(2)(a) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*, and under section 3.24(5) it will take effect when published on the NSW Legislation website.

I note that the maximum height of buildings permitted by this proposal have been carefully arranged to minimize impact to adjoining properties and lessen visual impact. I also understand Council has prepared a supporting development control plan which will further guide development in mitigating adverse impacts.

Should you have any enquiries about this matter, I have arranged for Mr Peter Pham to assist you. Mr Pham can be contacted on 02 9860 1593.

Yours sincerely

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