

Gateway Determination

Planning proposal (Department Ref: PP-2021-6523): to rezone 72-74 Maitland Road, Muswellbrook from RU3 Forestry to R1 General Residential

I, the Manager, Central Coast and Hunter 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 *Muswellbrook Local Environmental Plan 2009* to rezone 72-74 Maitland Road, Muswellbrook from RU3 Forestry to R1 General Residential should proceed subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Public exhibition is required under section 3.34(2)(c) and schedule 1 clause 4 of the Act as follows:
 - (a) the planning proposal is classified as low impact as described in *A guide* to preparing local environmental plans (Department of Planning and Environment, 2018) and must be made publicly available for a minimum of 14 days;
 - (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); and
 - (c) public exhibition is to commence within **one month** following the date of the Gateway determination.
- 2. Consultation is required with the Biodiversity Conservation Division and Transport for NSW under section 3.34(2)(d) of the Act. Agencies are 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.
- 3. 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).
- 4. 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.
- 5. The time frame for completing the LEP is to be **6 months** following the date of the Gateway determination.

Dated 24th day of November 2021.

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Delegate of the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces