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Attention: Liz Makin

Dear Chris

## Planning proposal PP\_2020\_YASSV\_001\_00 to amend Yass Valley Local Environmental Plan 2013

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) and additional information received on 30 January 2020 in respect of the planning proposal to correct LEP mapping errors and anomalies affecting 82 Laidlaw Street Yass.

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.

In relation to section 9.1 Direction 6.2 Reserving Land for Public Purposes, I have agreed to the reduction of land for public purposes on the basis that the changes are of minor significance. No further approval is required in relation to this Direction.

Part of the site to be rezoned to R1 General Residential Zone is flood prone land and the Yass Flood Study 2016 has recommended that all of the site be identified as an Interim Flood Planning Area. Therefore Council may still need to obtain the agreement of the Secretary to comply with the requirements of relevant section 9.1 Directions 4.3 Flood Prone Land. Council should ensure this occurs prior to the plan being made. Council will also be required to consult with the Department of Planning Industry and Environment – Biodiversity and Conservation (Flood Team).

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 within12 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 Mr Graham Judge to assist you. Mr Judge can be contacted on 6229 7906.

Yours sincerely

17 February 2020

## Sarah Lees Director, Southern Region Local and Regional Planning

Encl: Gateway determination Authorised plan-making reporting template