



MAITLAND CITY COUNCIL

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Attention: Katrine O'Flaherty

Dear Katrine,

RE: REQUEST FOR GATEWAY DETERMINATION TO AMEND MAITLAND LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN 2011- REZONING OF LANDS KNOWN AS LOT 7 DP 855275, WILTON DRIVE EAST MAITLAND

At its meeting on the 13 December 2011, Council resolved to endorse a planning proposal for a Local Environmental Plan amendment to rezone lands known as Lot 7 DP 855275 Wilton Drive, East Maitland, for urban purposes. Pursuant to Section 56 (1) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*, a planning proposal is enclosed for submission to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure.

The planning proposal was prepared in accordance with Section 55 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* and the Department of Planning and Infrastructure Guidelines, including *A Guide to Prepare Local Environmental Plans* and *A Guide to Preparing Planning Proposals*.

Council received the proposal for the subject lands on the 11 April 2011. An assessment of the proposal was completed and a planning proposal prepared. The assessment deems the site suitable for rezoning for urban purposes.

The subject site is identified as an urban extension site in the Maitland Urban Settlement Strategy (MUSS) 2010 that was adopted by Council on the 30 August 2011. The rezoning proposal is consistent with the policy framework established within the MUSS 2010 for the development of urban infill or urban extension sites. In order to progress the rezoning proposal, it is necessary to amend the Maitland LEP 2011.

Council wishes to progress the proposal under the gateway process as an amendment to the Maitland LEP 2011. The progression of the planning proposal will continue over a six (6) month time period. Subsequently, we request that this proposal proceed to a gateway determination.

If you have any questions or require further information to assist in the assessment of this planning proposal, please contact Claire Tew on (02) 49349784 or email to clairet@maitland.nsw.gov.au

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bernie Mortimore', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Bernie Mortimore
Executive Manager Sustainable Development

Enclosed: Planning Proposal (Version 01- 23/11/2011