

Our ref: PP-2023-1069
IRF24/227

Mr Peter Thompson
General Manager
Wagga Wagga City Council
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Wagga Wagga NSW 2650

Dear Mr Thompson,

Planning proposal PP-2023-1069 to amend Wagga Wagga Local Environmental Plan 2010

I am writing in response to the planning proposal you have forwarded to the Minister under section 3.34(1) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (the Act) on 1 February 2024 to reclassify land at Tolland Estate (Part Lot 12 DP 1187387).

As delegate of the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces, I have determined that the planning proposal should proceed subject to the conditions in the enclosed gateway determination.

Considering the nature of the planning proposal I have determined that Council may exercise local plan-making authority functions in relation to the planning proposal.

The proposed local environmental plan (LEP) is to be finalised on or before 6 February 2025. Council should aim to commence the exhibition of the planning proposal as soon as possible. Should Council seek to make a proposed LEP, the request to draft the LEP should be made directly to Parliamentary Counsel's Office well in advance of the date the LEP is projected to be made. The Western Region Team of the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure should be copied into the request at westernregion@planning.nsw.gov.au.

The NSW Government has committed to reduce the time taken to complete LEPs. To meet these commitments, the Minister may appoint an alternate planning proposal authority if Council does not meet the timeframes outlined in the gateway determination.

The Department's categorisation of planning proposals in the *Local Environmental Plan Making Guideline* (Department of Planning and Environment, August 2023) is supported by category specific timeframes for satisfaction of conditions and authority and Government agency referrals, consultation, and responses. Compliance with milestones will be monitored by the Department to ensure planning proposals are progressing as required.

Should you have any enquiries about this matter, I have arranged for Shili Wang to assist you. Ms Wang can be contacted on 02 5852 6809.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. Hopkins', with a stylized, cursive script.

Garry Hopkins
Director Western Region
Planning, Land Use Strategy, Housing and Infrastructure

Encl: Gateway determination

16 April 2024