

Mr Kerry Robinson
Chief Executive Officer
Blacktown City Council
62 Flushcombe Road,
Blacktown, NSW, 2148

Our ref: IRF23/3363

Dear Mr Robinson,

Planning proposal (PP-2023-1461) to amend Blacktown Local Environmental Plan 2015

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 11 December 2023, in respect of the planning proposal to reclassify land at Lot 201 DP 592610, Evans Road/Orcam Lane, Rooty Hill, from 'community' land to 'operational' land and remove interests.

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. No further approval is required in relation to the Ministerial Directions.

I have determined not to authorise Council to be the local plan-making authority as the proposal relates to the reclassification of Council owned land.

The amending local environmental plan (LEP) is to be finalised on or before 25 October 2024. Council should aim to commence the exhibition of the planning proposal as soon as possible. Council's request for the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure to draft and finalise the LEP should be made eight weeks in advance of the date the LEP is projected to be made.

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 Ian Bignell to assist you. Mr Bignell can be contacted on 9860 1510.

Yours sincerely



Louise McMahon
Director
Agile Planning

Encl: Gateway determination