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Dear Mr Doyle

Planning proposal PP-2025-794 to amend Wollongong Local Environmental Plan 2009

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) and additional information received on 29 October 2025 in respect of the planning proposal to make minor amendments within the West Dapto Urban Release Area

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.

I have also agreed, as delegate of the Secretary, the inconsistency of the planning proposal with applicable directions of the Minister under section 9.1 of the Act 3.1 Conservation Zones is justified in accordance with the terms of the Direction.

In relation to Direction 4.3 *Planning for Bushfire Protection*, Council is required to consult with the NSW Rural Fire Service. I have formed the view that, following consultation with the RFS, and providing there is no objection from RFS, the proposal will be consistent with this direction.

In relation to Direction 5.2 Reserving Land for Public Purposes, I have agreed to the reduction/creation of land for public purposes on the basis it will assist in creating road reserves and public recreational spaces within the West Dapto Urban Release Area.

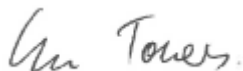
No further approval is required in relation to the Directions, apart from consultation with NSW RFS as noted above.

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 21 August 2026. 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. A copy of the request should be forwarded to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure.

Should you have any enquiries about this matter, I have arranged for Ewan Reid to assist you. Ewan may be contacted on 02 8217 2095.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Gm Towers'.

14/11/25

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Encl: Gateway determination