

IRF19/534

Mr Jason Perica Chair Hunter and Central Coast Regional Planning Panel GPO Box 39 SYDNEY NSW 2001

Dear Mr Perica

Application for a site compatibility certificate – SCC_2018_NEWCA_001_00

I am writing to advise that an application for a site compatibility certificate, dated 29 August 2018, has been submitted to the Department of Planning and Environment and to request that the Hunter Central Coast Regional Planning Panel (the Panel) review the application.

The application seeks a site compatibility certificate for 262 self-care (independent living) units and a 216-bed aged care facility at 32 Industrial Drive, Mayfield (Lot 100 DP 1084939).

The panel is requested to review and determine the application under clause 25(4) of State Environmental Planning Policy (Housing for Seniors or People with a Disability) 2004.

A copy of the application and all supporting information, Newcastle City Council's comments and an assessment report by the Department will be forwarded to you shortly.

It is noted that the assessment considers the site as suitable for seniors housing, however recognises the bulk and scale not consistent with the character of the surrounding residential area, and careful consideration of appropriate transitions of height and density between the site and surrounding area are required. The panel is encouraged to meet with the Department to clarify any issues before making its determination.

Should you have any enquiries about this matter, I have arranged for Mr James Shelton of the Department to assist you. Mr Shelton can be contacted on 4904 2713.

Yours sincerely

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