

The Hon Carl Scully
Chair
Sydney Eastern City Planning Panel
GPO Box 39
Sydney NSW 2001

Dear Mr  Scully

Re: Request for a rezoning review – RR_2020_STRAT_001_00

I am writing to advise that a request for a rezoning review, dated 19 December 2019 with additional information provided on 9 January 2020, has been submitted to the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment and to request that the Sydney Eastern City Planning Panel review the proposal.

The rezoning review request by Ethos Urban Pty Ltd seeks to amend Schedule 1 of the Strathfield Local Environmental Plan 2012 to include 'Shops' and 'Specialised Retail' as additional permitted uses on the site at 1-5 Underwood Road, Homebush (DFO Homebush).

The proponent is seeking a rezoning review because Strathfield Council has failed to indicate its support for the proposal 90 days after the proponent submitted a request to prepare a planning proposal.

The panel is now requested to review and determine the planning proposal's suitability for being referred to the Department for a Gateway determination under section 3.33 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.

A copy of the proponent's request and all supporting information is provided at <http://pgrtracking.planning.nsw.gov.au/>. Council has also been requested to provide comments detailing why the original request to Council was not progressed and to confirm that the current proposal is the same as what was considered by Council. Council's comments will be provided to you from the Department within 21 days from this letter.

The panel is encouraged to meet with the Department, Council and the proponent, and any relevant agency previously involved in the matter to clarify any issues before making its determination.



Should you have any further enquiries about this matter, I have arranged for Charlene Nelson, Senior Planner, Eastern and South District at the Department to assist you. Ms Nelson can be contacted on 9274 6570.

Yours sincerely

Brendan Metcalfe 9 January 2020

**Brendan Metcalfe
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