

Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure

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Mr Wayne Rylands
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Subject: 146-150 Vimiera Road, Marsfield

Dear Mr Rylands

I am writing in relation to Council's resolution of 27 August 2024 to prepare a planning proposal to rezone land at 146-150 Vimiera Road, Marsfield known as TG Millner Field to RE1 Public Recreation.

I appreciate open space is important to the local community and acknowledge Council's commitment to ensuring the provision of essential infrastructure.

As you are aware, a planning proposal to rezone land for public purposes must nominate an acquisition authority. It must be emphasised that the Department will not support a planning proposal where such an authority has not been nominated. In considering the acquisition authority, Council should also ensure appropriate funding is identified to support its nomination. The Department notes that Council has been unable to do so. The Department strongly recommends that Council work with the landowner considering the above information.

The NSW Government recognises we need to confront the housing crisis and support delivery of new homes with access to infrastructure and open space together. I encourage Council to continue to engage with the Department as it delivers the accelerated Macquarie Park rezonings under the Transport Oriented Development Program.

Should Council have any questions, Jazmin van Veen, Director, Local Planning (North, East and Central Coast), at the Department can be contacted on 02 9373 2877 or jazmin.vanveen@planning.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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