



Department of Planning and Environment

Our ref: IRF23/1687

Mr Greg Hill
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Central Darling Shire Council
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Dear Mr Hill

Planning proposal (PP-2023-1920) to amend Central Darling Local Environmental Plan 2012

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) to reclassify council owned land from community to operational under the Local Government Act 1993.

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 determined not to authorise Council to be the local plan-making authority to assist Council achieve a timely finalisation of the planning proposal. Council should refer to Department's Practice Note (PN 16-001) for guidance on community consultation and the public hearing process.

The amending local environmental plan (LEP) is to be finalised on or before 4 August 2024. Council should aim to commence the exhibition of the planning proposal as soon as possible. Council's request for the Department of Planning and Environment to draft and finalise the LEP should be made eight weeks in advance of the date the LEP is projected to be made.

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 Oyshee Iqbal to assist you. Ms Iqbal can be contacted on 5852 6824.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Garry Hopkins'.

22/09/2023

Garry Hopkins
Director, Western Region
Local and Regional Planning

Encl: Gateway determination
Practice note - Classification and reclassification of public land through a local environmental plan