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Dear Mr Tobin

Re: Draft amendments to Part B.9 and Part G.5 of WDCP

The Committee of NPA has reviewed the draft amendments to Part B.9 and Part G.5 of the WDCP. We and other residents were alarmed at the apparent deletion of the notification provisions for strategic planning proposals, such as amendments to Local Environment Plans.

NPA is opposed to any reduction in current notification and consultation processes for strategic planning proposals such as amendments to zoning, LEPs or DCPs. We believe it is in the interests of both Council and the community for transparency and consultation to be maximised.

In this case, we understand (via an email dated July 27 from Greg Woodhams to Cr John Hooper) that the sections relating to notification of LEPs are being deleted from the DCP because they are not appropriate to be included in a DCP. We are advised that the requirements for notification of LEPs are set down in the EPA Act and Regulations. We understand that Council does NOT propose to change its current processes about notification of LEPs and DCPs. On the basis of these assurances, NPA takes no exception to the draft amendments.

Yours sincerely

Peter McNair
President

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