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Councillor Darcy Byrne Mayor Inner West Council PO Box 14 PETERSHAM NSW 2049

Dear Councillor Byrne

I am writing to provide an update on the Sydenham to Bankstown Urban Renewal Corridor Strategy and to thank your Council for its ongoing involvement in the evolution of the Strategy.

In light of the Council's comprehensive submission on the revised strategy, the significant community interest and recognising the extensive strategic work that the Council is about to embark upon to review your Local Environmental Plan as part of the funded accelerated council program, I consider that a revised approach to planning for growth in the corridor will deliver certainty in close consultation with the community.

I would like to work with your Council to identify a coordinated approach to delivering new homes and jobs that are well supported by public transport, infrastructure, community facilities and open space. To this end, I have requested that the Department complete a principle based high level strategy in collaboration with Council. This principle based strategy can act to provide a framework for proposed development within the corridor

The State government welcomes the opportunity for Council to lead the planning for the relevant parts of the corridor as part of LEP review process as suggested in Council's submission.

As your Council is part of the accelerated Council program, it is important that we work together as the outcomes for the corridor are interrelated with the Council's strategic investigations that will support the revision of your comprehensive Local Environmental Plan. This will be a good opportunity for close collaboration between Council and my Department to achieve the best planning outcomes. I am confident that with your advice and involvement, we will successfully address the key concerns raised in relation to the revised Strategy.

I have requested Ms Elizabeth Kinkade, Executive Director Housing and Urban Renewal to contact your General Manager to discuss options to progress this work with a view to developing an approach based on our respective consideration and agreement.

Yours sincerely,

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