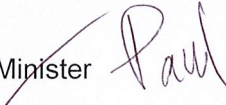


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Dear Minister 

### **Planning Reforms and Inner West Council LEP**

At the May Ordinary Council meeting, Council resolved to undertake its own Local Environmental Plan by the end of 2024. Please find below a full copy of the resolution.

1. *That Council notes that our decision to engage in negotiations with the NSW Government regarding the housing supply crisis has secured our community the time and opportunity to deliver our own locally based planning through an Inner West Local Environmental Plan.*
2. *That Council undertake a new Local Environmental Plan to be submitted to the NSW Government by the end of 2024.*
3. *The proposed principles of the Local Environmental Plan will include:*
  - a) *Delivering place-based planning through local planning controls.*
  - b) *Upzoning of precincts around Ashfield, Croydon, Dulwich Hill, and Marrickville train stations.*
  - c) *Support for increased densities on main streets through shop top housing in order to protect high value heritage conservation areas from upzoning.*
  - d) *Providing density incentives for the amalgamation of lands in areas identified for upzoning.*
  - e) *Increased residential densities around light rail stations.*
  - f) *The finalisation of the Parramatta Road Corridor Stage 1 program through the rezoning of parts of Leichhardt, Taverners Hill and Kings Bay precincts.*
  - g) *Support for the suburb of Haberfield being listed on the State Heritage register and being excluded from upzoning.*
  - h) *Support for the Master Planning of the Bays Precinct with dwelling targets to be determined on Government owned land prior to consideration of any additional rezoning in adjoining suburbs.*
  - i) *Support for the NSW Government policy of 30% of all new housing on government owned land to be maintained in perpetuity as public housing.*
  - j) *Setting a target of 1,000 or more new public housing dwellings to be delivered on State Government and Council owned land.*
  - k) *Incentives for the conversion of land owned by religious and faith-based organisations for social and affordable housing.*
  - l) *Progression of the new Special Entertainment Precincts which Council is currently undertaking consultation on.*

- m) *Protecting and expanding existing employment lands to attract increased employment and new industries.*
  - n) *Incorporating the State Government's Pattern Book for improved design into Council's planning controls.*
4. *That Council writes to the NSW Minister for Planning notifying him of Council's decision to submit the Local Environmental Plan at the end of 2024 and proposing the deferral of the Low-Mid-rise Housing SEPP to allow Council to complete and submit this LEP.*
  5. *That Council undertake community consultation and engagement on the principles of the Local Environmental Plan.*
  6. *That Council develop an information resource for residents to the community how the proposed planning changes will increase housing supply and meet housing targets for our LGA, including affordable and public housing and write to all residents in the LGA with this information.*

I look forward to the opportunity to discuss with you this important matter.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Darcy Byrne', written over a faint circular stamp or watermark.

**Clr Darcy Byrne**  
Inner West Mayor