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### **WARNERVALE TOWN CENTRE – MAJOR PROJECT PROPOSAL**

The Department of Planning will assess newly-lodged plans for a \$154 million retail, commercial and leisure development within the proposed Warnervale Town Centre.

Minister for Planning, Tony Kelly, said Fabcot Pty Ltd, a fully owned subsidiary of Woolworths, hopes to build the 46,000 square metre facility on land at the corner of Nikko and Hakone Roads, adjacent to the proposed North Warnervale Station.

“The application meets the criteria for planning controls for the Warnervale Town Centre, with proposed retail premises worth more than \$20 million with a floor space of more than 5,000 square metres, and will now be considered a major project under Part 3A of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act,” the Minister said.

The application includes:

- A Big W discount department store;
- Woolworths supermarket;
- A second supermarket;
- Retail;
- Leisure and entertainment facilities;
- A gym; and
- Commercial space.

Mr Kelly said the Department will now outline the issues Fabcot must address in its formal environmental assessment, which will be placed on public exhibition for at least 30 days.

“This proposal is very early in the assessment process, with community consultation and liaison with council to occur before any final decision is made,” the Minister said.

“The NSW Government took a leading role to establish the ground-rules for development at the Warnervale Town Centre, which has helped lead to this project being lodged.”

Member for Wyong, David Harris, welcomed the announcement.

“This application is the first major commercial proposal to be lodged for the proposed centre, which covers 119 hectares and includes a substantial new residential area,” Mr Harris said.

“The application news follows the release of the draft Central Coast Transport Strategy last week, which indicated the North Warnervale station would be completed by 2016.”

The application can be viewed on the Department’s website at [www.planning.nsw.gov.au](http://www.planning.nsw.gov.au)