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Public invited to have their say on Warnervale Town Centre development

Public feedback is being sought on a proposal for a new mixed use retail and commercial development within the Warnervale Town Centre, on the NSW Central Coast.

The NSW Department of Planning and Infrastructure is publicly exhibiting an environmental assessment for the proposed development, which would be anchored by a Woolworths supermarket and Big W discount department store.

The proponent, Fabcot Pty Ltd, is seeking approval for:

- The construction of 33,610 square metres of floor space, a new main street and civic square;
- Fit-out and use of a Woolworths supermarket and Big W store within the proposed buildings;
- Provision of 1,380 car parking spaces and loading dock facilities; and
- Other infrastructure including new access roads and intersections.

The environmental assessment is on public exhibition for five weeks until Tuesday 4 October. Interested members of the public are encouraged to lodge a submission providing feedback during this time.

Any submissions received will be carefully considered by the Department, along with the proponent’s response to the issues raised in these submissions, as part of a comprehensive assessment process for the project.

The submissions, and the proponent’s response to submissions document, will be made available on the Department’s website.

The Department required the proponent to address a number of specific issues including built form and urban design, economic impact, social impact, biodiversity, and transport and access, as part of in its environmental assessment.

The proposal is located within the Warnervale Town Centre, which is a State significant site under the Major Development SEPP, and is being assessed by the Department as it is a retail development valued at more than $20 million, with a floor space of more than 5,000 square metres.

The environmental assessment for the project can be viewed during business hours at:

- **Department of Planning and Infrastructure** – Information Centre, 23-33 Bridge Street, Sydney;
- **Department of Planning and Infrastructure** – Central Coast Office, Level 3, 107 Mann Street, Gosford;
- **Wyong Shire Council** – Civic Centre, 2 Hely Street, Wyong; and
• **Wyong Shire Council Library** – Lake Haven Shopping Centre, Goobarabah Ave, Lake Haven.

All relevant project documents are also publicly available on the Department’s website, and can be accessed by visiting [http://majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au](http://majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au) and following the links to the ‘On Exhibition’ page.

Submissions can be:
- Faxed to (02) 9228 6570;
- Posted to Major Projects Assessment, Department of Planning and Infrastructure, GPO Box 39, SYDNEY NSW 2001;
- Emailed to plan_comment@planning.nsw.gov.au; or

**Department media contact:** Laurel-Lee Roderick on (02) 9228 6128

NOTE: The Department of Planning and Infrastructure is issuing this media release to encourage the community to take part in the planning process. However, it is the role of the proponent (either through its documents published on our website or otherwise) to provide further specific details about the proposal.