Model local clauses for Standard Instrument LEPs

General Information
This clause is generally considered suitable for inclusion in Standard Instrument LEPs applying to land in the inner harbour area. In other locations councils should consider whether clause 5.5 & 5.7 are sufficient and otherwise contact the Department to discuss further.

6.5 Foreshore building line [local]

Drafting direction.
This clause should not be a blanket prohibition against development.
The following definition must be included in the Dictionary:

- **foreshore area** means the land between the foreshore building line and the mean high water mark of the nearest bay or river.
- **foreshore building line** means the line shown on the Foreshore Building Line Map.
- **Foreshore Building Line Map** means the [Name] Local Environmental Plan 2008 Foreshore Building Line Map.

(1) The objective of this clause is to ensure that development in the foreshore area will not impact on natural foreshore processes or affect the significance and amenity of the area.

(2) Development consent must not be granted for development on land in the foreshore area except for the following purposes:

- (a) the extension, alteration or rebuilding of an existing building wholly or partly in the foreshore area,
- (b) the erection of a building in the foreshore area, if the levels, depth or other exceptional features of the site make it appropriate to do so,
- (c) development for the purposes of boat sheds, sea retaining walls, wharves, slipways, jetties, waterway access stairs, swimming pools, fences, cycleways, walking trails, picnic facilities or other recreation facilities (outdoors).

(3) Development consent must not be granted under subclause (2) unless the consent authority is satisfied that:

- (a) the development will contribute to achieving the objectives for the zone in which the land is located, and
- (b) the appearance of any proposed structure, from both the waterway and adjacent foreshore areas, will be compatible with the surrounding area, and
- (c) the development will not cause environmental harm such as:
  - (i) pollution or siltation of the waterway, or
  - (ii) an adverse effect on surrounding uses, marine habitat, wetland areas, flora or fauna habitats, or
  - (iii) an adverse effect on drainage patterns, and
- (d) the development will not cause congestion of, or generate conflicts between, people using open space areas or the waterway, and
- (e) opportunities to provide continuous public access along the foreshore and to the waterway will not be compromised, and
(f) any historic, scientific, cultural, social, archaeological, architectural, natural or aesthetic significance of the land on which the development is to be carried out and of surrounding land will be maintained,

(g) in the case of development for the alteration or rebuilding of an existing building wholly or partly in the foreshore area, the alteration or rebuilding will not have an adverse impact on the amenity or aesthetic appearance of the foreshore, and

(h) sea level rise or change of flooding patterns as a result of climate change have been considered.