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Mr Peter Brooks General Manager Griffith City Council PO Box 485 GRIFFITH NSW 2680

Dear Mr Brooks

I refer to your letter of 20 December 2012 requesting the Director General's final endorsement of the Griffith Land Use Strategy – Beyond 2030 (2012).

I am pleased to advise I have endorsed the final Griffith City Land Use Strategy – Beyond 2030 (2012).

I would like to congratulate Council on the work required to undertake and complete the Griffith Land Use Strategy – Beyond 2030 (2012), prepared in conjunction with your community and the State Government.

This Strategy provides a strong strategic basis for the growth of Griffith LGA over the next 20 years. The Strategy identifies 440ha of housing supply, and 297.7ha of employment generating land (industrial and commercial lands).

With regard to the preparation of the draft Griffith LEP 2013, I would like to remind Council of the documentation required, including:

- Consideration and justification of proposed changes against the relevant Section 117 directions, particularly 1.2 Rural Zones, 1.5 Rural Lands and 4.3 Flood Prone Land;
- Consideration of all relevant State Environmental Planning Policies (SEPPs), including SEPP (Rural Lands) 2008 and SEPP 55 Remediation of land; and
- Review of existing zoned land in floodways and other flood affected areas, particularly the candidate areas of Tharbogang and Hanwood. Increased development density in these areas should not be permitted.

Should you have any further enquiries about this matter, I have arranged for Ms Erin Strong, Planning Operations and Regional Delivery - Dubbo Planning Team, of the Department of Planning and Infrastructure to assist you. Ms Strong can be contacted on telephone number (02) 6841 2180.

Yours sincerely

Richard Pearson

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