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Mr Anthony Roberts MP
Minister for Planning, Minister for Housing,
Special Minister of State
GPO Box 5341
SYDNEY NSW 2001

Dear Minister

Development Application No. 17/1092
Proposed Staged Construction of Wallacia Memorial Park
13-15 Park Road, Wallacia

I refer to the above development application and your letter dated 29 June 2018 received by Council on 4 July 2018. I also refer to a letter from Stephen Murray – Executive Director, Regions Planning Services, NSW Department of Planning and Environment (DPE) dated 8 June 2018 which advises that you have delegated your functions under Sections 4.33 and 4.34 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979* (the Act) to the Independent Planning Commission (IPC).

We are unclear about how this development application, that is of great concern to our community, will now be determined in a public and transparent way. We are of the view that our assessment should be completed and reported to the Sydney Western City Planning Panel in August 2018 as planned. This would in fact avoid any duplication of work by the Independent Planning and Assessment Commission which would still have oversight over the process.

We seek your urgent clarification to allow this development application to be determined in a timely manner as requested by the applicant. In particular, we want to understand how our communities of Wallacia and Mulgoa will be able to participate in a public forum at the time this application is determined. We feel that our alternate proposal will better provide for this.

Should your Department require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Peter Wood, Development Services Manager on [REDACTED]

Yours sincerely

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