21 October 2021

Ms Sherryn Williams
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Willoughby City Council
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Dear Ms Williams

Thank you for your correspondence dated 20 October 2021 regarding third party consultation relating to my correspondence to the Mayor, Councillor Gail Giles-Gidney, dated 3 August 2021.

I understand Council would like to publish a copy of my correspondence to the Mayor on its website to assist in informing the community on the NSW Liberals and Nationals Government's proposed infrastructure contribution changes.

l'indicate no objection to publishing a copy of my correspondence on Council's website.

It should be noted, however, that since my correspondence was sent to the Mayor on 3 August 2021, there have been further developments in relation to the public inquiry conducted by the Legislative Council Portfolio Committee No 7 – Planning and Environment.

The Committee published its report on 10 August 2021.

The Committee's report made one recommendation:

That the Environmental Planning and Assessment Amendment (Infrastructure Contributions) Bill 2021 not proceed, until the draft regulations have been developed and released for consultation and the reviews into the rate pegging system, benchmarking and the essential works list have been published by the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal.

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NSW Labor agrees with the Committee's recommendation.

We hope that the Government will not proceed any further with this Bill until other key information is determined and further appropriate consultation takes place with all Councils and stakeholders. NSW Labor continues to consult with Local Government NSW and other stakeholders on the implications for local communities of the Government's Bill.

You may wish to also publish a copy of this letter to Council's website as it will provide an updated context to the matters previously discussed with the Mayor.

Yours sincerely

PAUL SCULLY MP



Paul Scully MP

SHADOW MINISTER FOR PLANNING AND PUBLIC SPACES
MEMBER FOR WOLLONGONG

3 August 2021

Councillor Gail Giles-Gidney Mayor Willoughby City Council PO Box 57 CHATSWOOD NSW 2057

Dear Mayor

Thank you for your correspondence addressed to the NSW Labor Leader, Mr Chris Minns MP, regarding the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Amendment* (*Infrastructure Contributions*) *Bill 2021*. Mr Minns has referred your correspondence to me as the Shadow Minister for Planning and Public Spaces.

I have taken note of the submission by Council as part of the public inquiry into the Bill conducted by the Legislative Council Portfolio Committee No 7 – Planning and Environment. I have also noted the many other submissions from other local councils across New South Wales, including Local Government NSW.

As part of the inquiry process NSW Labor put a series of questions on notice to the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces, Hon Rob Stokes MP. The responses to NSW Labor's questions have been published on the Parliamentary Committee's website.

NSW Labor now awaits the publication of the Committee report and any recommendations it may make before final decisions are made on the future of this Bill.

Yours sincerely

PAUL SCULLY MP

Shadow Minister for Planning and Public Spaces

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