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Dear Mrs Saunders

**Response to Submissions Report – Residential Development, 89 John Whiteway Drive, Gosford (SSD-10321)**

I refer to your email dated 12 April 2021 in which Planning and Assessment Group invited Biodiversity and Conservation Division (BCD) of the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (the Department) to comment on the response to submissions report for the proposed Residential Development at 89 John Whiteway Drive in Gosford (SSD-10321); within the Central Coast local government area.

BCD has reviewed the *'Response to Submissions 89 John Whiteway Drive, Gosford – SSD 10362 - Agency and Authority Submissions / Public and Organisation Submissions'* as prepared by Urban Ethos (dated 20 March 2021), including relevant appendices, annexures and attachments in relation to impacts on biodiversity and flooding.

BCD's previous comments on the EIS (dated 7 May 2020) included a recommendation in relation to Aboriginal cultural heritage (recommendation 3). Heritage NSW should be consulted to determine if the response to submissions report adequately addresses recommendation 3 of the letter dated 7 May 2020.

BCD's recommendations are provided in **Attachment A** and detailed comments are provided in **Attachment B**. If you require any further information regarding this matter, please contact Steve Lewer, Senior Regional Biodiversity Conservation Officer, on 4927 3158 or via email at [rog.hcc@environment.nsw.gov.au](mailto:rog.hcc@environment.nsw.gov.au)

Yours sincerely

25 April 2021

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Enclosure: Attachments A and B

## **BCD's recommendations**

### **Residential Development, 89 John Whiteway Drive, Gosford (SSD-10321)**

#### **Biodiversity**

1. BCD is satisfied that recommendations 1 and 2 of BCD's biodiversity comments on the EIS (dated 7 May 2020) have been satisfactorily addressed in the response to submissions report.

#### **Flooding**

2. BCD is satisfied that recommendations 4, 5 and 6 of BCD's flooding comments on the EIS (dated 7 May 2020) have been satisfactorily addressed in the response to submissions report.

## BCD's detailed comments

### Residential Development, 89 John Whiteway Drive, Gosford (SSD-10321)

#### Biodiversity

1. Further information has been provided to address previous recommendations on biodiversity

Further information has been provided on recommendations 1 and 2 raised in BCD's letter dated 7 May 2020 (DOC20/300521-6).

##### Recommendation 2

BCD is satisfied that recommendations 1 and 2 of BCD's biodiversity comments on the EIS (dated 7 May 2020) have been satisfactorily addressed in the response to submissions report.

#### Flooding

2. Further information has been provided to address previous recommendations on flooding

Further information has been provided on recommendations 4, 5 and 6 raised in BCD's letter dated 7 May 2020 (DOC20/300521-6).

##### Recommendation 2

BCD is satisfied that recommendations 4, 5 and 6 of BCD's flooding comments on the EIS (dated 7 May 2020) have been satisfactorily addressed in the response to submissions report.