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**Exhibition of State Significant Development Application for Bringelly Road Business Hub,
Leppington (SSD 6324)**

Attention:- Manager Industry Assessments

Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for advising Council of the exhibition of this DA. Please accept this letter and supporting information as Council's submission on this matter.

The future embellishment of the Parklands and sporting infrastructure has been factored into the overall provision of open space and community facilities accessible to the Austral and Leppington North Precincts & wider South West Growth Centre population.

The Austral and Leppington North Precincts planning project has identified the need for a regional sports stadium facility to be provided, preferably located in the Bringelly Precinct of the Parklands (refer to enclosures).

Council supports the long term goal for the Parkland's Bringelly Precinct to create a regional sport and active recreation hub. This would create a strong synergy with the Leppington Major Centre and station.

In Council's view, a more holistic masterplanning exercise is warranted at this stage of the Parkland's planning and development. This would provide a level of comfort to Council that the long term goal for the Bringelly Precinct is capable of being realised.

It would be appreciated if this matter could be the subject of further consultation with Council. I would be happy to discuss this matter with the Department and Parklands Trust and can be contacted on 4654 7805.

Yours sincerely,

Kylie Powell
Manager Strategic Planning

Enclosures –

- Extract - Austral and Leppington North Precincts – Demographic and Social Infrastructure Assessment prepared for the Department of Planning & Infrastructure – Elton Consulting, 2011
- Extract - Austral and Leppington North Precincts Addendum to the Demographic and Social Infrastructure Assessment prepared for the Department of Planning & Infrastructure – Elton Consulting, 2012

Extract - Austral and Leppington North Precincts – Demographic and Social Infrastructure Assessment prepared for the Department of Planning & Infrastructure – Elton Consulting – 1 August 2011

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- *The forecast population for the South West Growth Centre of up to 300,000 people will generate a need for a major regional level sporting facility, suitable for major competitions and sporting events.*
- *Liverpool Council has prepared an options paper to help in its planning for a new regional sports stadium to meet the needs of the City of Liverpool. The Western Sydney Parklands has been identified as a potential site for such a facility in the options paper and in the Western Sydney Parklands Plan of Management.*
- *The stadium will provide focus for competitive sport and entertainment on a regional basis. It is envisaged that the stadium will be located in the Western Sydney Parklands, adjacent to Leppington Major Centre on flatter ground adjoining Bringelly Road in the Bringelly Precinct. An exact location has not been determined at this stage, and will be determined by the Western Sydney Parklands Trust.*

Table 7.1: Regional open space and recreation facilities for Austral-Leppington North

Facility	Location and area	Inclusions
Regional open space	Western Sydney Parklands	Facilities for picnicking, social gathering for family-friends and community events. Modelled on Centennial Park – 'something for everyone'.
Regional stadium	Western Sydney Parklands in the Bringelly Precinct. Area = 16ha	<p>Outdoor Stadium</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Size, sports, seating, and facilities depending on outcome of regional sport and facility strategy and Liverpool City Council's feasibility study. • Possibility of seating up to 35,000, which may be in stages as population increases. • Scale and quality of facilities comparable to Blacktown Olympic Park. • May cater for football codes, athletics, concerts and events. • Lighting and noise buffers required. • Accessible by pedestrians from town centre/railway station. On a regular bus route. • No flooding or transmission line restrictions. • Includes grandstand, grass training field, possible synthetic field, outdoor courts, playground, indoor fitness facilities, passive open space. • High quality fields. • 16 hectares allows for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – 1 rectangular stadium 2.5 ha – 1 separate synthetic athletics field 2.0 ha – 1 oval field 3.0 ha – 1 synthetic field 2.0 ha – 2 training fields 1.5 ha – Indoor sports/fitness centre 1.5 ha – Tennis complex (12 courts) 1.5 ha – Netball complex (18 courts) 2.0 ha (1:3,000 people) – + parking (depends on location), mounding and landscaped buffer.

5 Open space and recreational facilities

5.2 Relationship to Western Sydney Parklands

The original Demographic and Social Infrastructure Assessment argued that the needs for regional open space and recreation facilities of the forecast population of Austral-Leppington North could be satisfied by taking advantage of the Precincts' close proximity to the Western Sydney Parklands (which provides for regional informal parkland and metropolitan sporting facilities), and through development of a regional indoor aquatic and leisure centre located within the Leppington Town Centre.

The Western Sydney Parklands Plan of Management (2010) sets out the potential nature and location for such spaces and facilities in the Parklands, including the Bringelly Sports and Active Recreation and Tourism Hub. The final ILP reflects those proposals for the Parklands by showing only district and local open space and outdoor sporting facilities in the precincts. It is assumed that provision of metropolitan and regional open space and sporting facilities in the Western Sydney Parklands, and development of the indoor aquatic and leisure centre in the civic precinct in the Leppington Town Centre north of Bringelly Road, will proceed as recommended.

It is noted that the Western Sydney Parklands Trust has raised concerns that funding has not been allocated for the Parklands to deliver such metropolitan and regional sporting facilities, cycleways and informal passive open space. However, it is reasonable to assume that metropolitan level sporting and regional recreational facilities will be provided within the Parklands in accordance with the Plan of Management. If such facilities are planned for the Parklands it would be a waste of resources for another organisation to replicate them in Austral-Leppington North. Funding of metropolitan and regional sporting and recreation facilities in the Western Sydney Parklands would be determined by the NSW Government.

The Western Sydney Parklands Trust has also expressed a view that open space is not equitably distributed to the eastern side of the Precincts, which may create an expectation for future residents that their local/ neighbourhood park needs are provided within the Parklands.