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MDPE18/4357

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Dear Ms Minnican,

Thank you for forwarding a petition on behalf of Mr Anoulack Chanthivong MP, Member for Macquarie Fields, about a modification application for the Edmondson Park Concept Plan.

I appreciate the petitioners are concerned that this development in Edmondson Park may affect the character and amenity of the local area.

Under the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*, consultation is not required for a modification application. However, given the scale of the proposed changes, the Department of Planning and Environment placed the application on public exhibition for 28 days until 4 December 2018. This is consistent with the exhibition period for new State significant development applications.

While the Act allows extensions for exhibition periods falling between 20 December and 10 January, the exhibition period for this modification application ended over two weeks before those dates, so an extension was not triggered.

The proponent will now respond to the issues raised in submissions and advise if it wishes to make changes to the proposal in response to this community feedback. The Department will then carefully assess the proposal on its merits, considering all issues raised in submissions. The proposal will then be referred to the Independent Planning Commission for final determination.

The petitioners may wish to view the proponent's justification for seeking an increase in dwellings, which is contained in its Environmental Assessment. This document is available by searching for 'Edmondson Park' on the Department's major projects website at majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au.

If the petitioners have any more questions, please advise them to contact Mr David McNamara, Director, Key Sites Assessments, at the Department on 9383 2101.

Yours sincerely,

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