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Dear Mr Strudwick

**Request for Waiver – University of Newcastle, Gosford Campus (SSD-47749715)**

Thank you for your correspondence, dated 28 September 2023, requesting Council's written support for a waiver from the payment of Section 7.12 development contributions as required under Condition B2 of SSD 47749715.

It is understood that Condition B2 of the development consent requires payment to Council of a levy of 1% of the proposed cost of undertaking the development (excluding certain items), under Section 7.12 of the EP&A Act unless otherwise agreed by the Planning Secretary.

The provisions of the *Civic Improvement Plan 2007* apply to assist in the delivery of revitalisation of the Gosford City Centre. Although the Civic Improvement Plan does not include an exemption for *Education Establishments*, Department of Planning Circular D6 applies due to the University of Newcastle being a Crown Authority. Circular D6 provides that no contributions should be collected for open space, community facilities, parking and general local and main road upgrades.

To ensure consistency with the Planning Circular D6, Council has no objection to the removal of Condition B2 that seeks the payment of Section 7.12 Contributions.

Council acknowledges the project will provide a significant public benefit to the Gosford CBD. It will have a lasting revitalising impact on the city centre and the whole Central Coast region, improving both education and employment opportunities. Council therefore fully supports Newcastle University in encouraging the consent authority to facilitate the proposal to the greatest extent possible.



Should you require further information, you may wish to contact Shannon Turkington, Unit Manager, Strategic Planning via [Shannon.Turkington@centralcoast.nsw.gov.au](mailto:Shannon.Turkington@centralcoast.nsw.gov.au) or on 0419 461 605.

Yours sincerely



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