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Dear Sir/Madam

### **Review of SEPP 65 and the Residential Flat Design Code**

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comment on the draft amendments to SEPP 65 and the associated Apartment Design Guide (ADG).

The introduction of SEPP 65 and the Residential Flat Design Code (RFDC) was welcomed by Gosford City Council. Gosford City Council has found the SEPP/RFDC to be an important planning resource that has complemented Council's local planning policies and facilitated higher design quality outcomes for residential flat developments in the Gosford Local Government Area.

The enclosed submission outlines a number of general and specific issues in response to the proposed amendments to SEPP 65 and the new ADG. Council requests that these issues be addressed prior to the adoption of the SEPP 65 and ADG. Should you need any clarification on Council's submission, please contact Peta James, Senior Urban Designer/Planner on 4325 8871.

Yours faithfully

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