



FORBES SHIRE COUNCIL

Submission to proposed amendments to the Standard Instrument LEP

To: Director
Employment Policy and Systems
NSW Planning & Environment

From: Forbes Shire Council

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Subject: Proposed Amendments to the Standard Instrument LEP (Amendments to Retail Land Use Definitions)

Forbes Shire Council is pleased to provide this submission to NSW Planning & Environment, for the proposed amendments to the Standard Instrument LEP (Amendments to Retail Land Use Definitions).

Council welcomes the proposal to include the additional definitions and amend the definitions for garden centres and bulky goods premises which would clarify the permissibility of complementing uses associated with these types of development.

I also take this opportunity to advise the Department of concerns regarding the Standard Instrument LEP conveyed to Council at the May 2018 Council Meeting via its Economic and Business Development Committee.

Council is concerned that a single Standard Instrument LEP does not cater for the varying Local Government Areas across NSW and that flexibility needs to be included to address regional needs and constraints.

Council is also concerned at the time and expense incurred in undertaking simple amendments to the LEP such as making adjustments to permitted and prohibited uses in the land use tables. These delays have the potential to deter potential development. Council requests that the Department investigate a simpler and quicker method for minor LEP amendments.