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Department of Communications
By email

Dear Sir/Madam

Consultation on proposed regulatory changes to help roll out faster broadband

Council is in receipt of a letter from the Hon Malcolm Turnbull, Minister for Communications dated 19 June 2015 advising of the proposed temporary changes to the *Telecommunications (Low Impact Facilities) Determination 1997* for the Wheelers Hill area of Monash. The letter also advised of the consultation program for longer term changes to carrier powers and immunities.

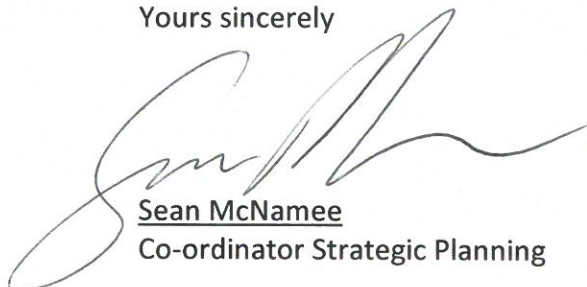
Unfortunately, Council has no record of receiving notification about the 12 June, 2015 community consultation program on the proposed longer term changes to carrier powers and immunities and as such has not been able to prepare a formal submission by the deadline.

The purpose of this letter is to lodge a provisional submission to register Councils interest in the review and flag our intention to lodge a more detailed submission next week.

Council is supportive of the rollout of the National Broadband Network as quickly and efficiently as possible. However, the delivery of improved broadband should be undertaken in a way that encourages community engagement in the process and ensures the amenity of local neighbourhoods is not adversely affected.

If your office has any queries I can be contact on 9518 3229 or seanm@monash.vic.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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