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Ms V Scott and Mr D Darlington  
Chairperson and Secretary  
The Entrance Community Precinct Committee  
PO Box 349  
THE ENTRANCE NSW 2261

Dear Ms Scott and Mr Darlington

**THE ENTRANCE PENINSULA PLANNING STRATEGY – POPULATION GROWTH ISSUES**

I refer to your correspondence dated 1 July 2009, regarding your concerns that it may not be possible to provide for sustainable population growth on The Entrance Peninsula.

The Mayor has referred your correspondence to my Department. While he is taking a keen interest, he recognises the Department's resources and background knowledge on this matter and has therefore referred your enquiry to me to reply to you on his behalf. In addition, the Mayor is cognisant of Council's Code of Conduct and its requirement that he, and any of the Councillors, remain remote from entering into discussions on this matter prior to it being presented to Council.

The contents of your correspondence regarding growth centre assumptions, tourism limitations, sustainable growth questions and the challenges relating to transport, aging population and the social outcomes of urban consolidation are acknowledged.

Your correspondence is largely based on various academic papers which, themselves, acknowledge their limitations, being general in nature to create the scope for more detailed study.

The adoption of The Entrance Peninsula Planning Strategy by Council, on 8 July 2009, triggers the commencement of the processes regarding the preparation of an Economic and Tourism Plan and Masterplans for The Entrance Town and Long Jetty Village Centres, along with various other strategies that are recommended to address the matters raised in your correspondence.

The initiatives of preparing of an Economic and Tourism Plan, and Masterplans for The Entrance Town and Long Jetty Village Centres are considered to be the most appropriate forums for investigating the detail required to improve the viability, vitality and sustainability of these two Centres and The Entrance Peninsula generally. The matters raised in your correspondence will be considered as part of these investigations.

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It is intended to engage all stakeholders early in the processes of preparing the abovementioned plans, and your participation in these processes would be greatly appreciated.

If you have any further queries or wish to meet to discuss any of the above matters, please do not hesitate to contact Stephen Ashton (telephone 4350 5749 or email [Stephen.Ashton@wyong.nsw.gov.au](mailto:Stephen.Ashton@wyong.nsw.gov.au)).

Yours faithfully



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