

13 March 2026

Mr Andrew Carfield
General Manager (Attention: Nicole Aiken)
Camden Council,
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Dear Mr Carfield

Oran Park Town Centre Expansion Planning Proposal (reference PP/2021/6/1)

Urban Taskforce Australia supports the proposed expansion of the Oran Park Town Centre and the associated amendments to planning controls that will enable additional housing and employment opportunities in one of Sydney's fastest-growing regions.

Oran Park is a key component of the South West Growth Area and is planned to deliver a large master planned community supported by schools, open space, services and employment opportunities.

As the population of the Camden local government area continues to grow rapidly, it is important that planning controls allow the Town Centre to evolve in order to accommodate additional residents, businesses and services.

Expanding the Town Centre and allowing greater development capacity will enable more residential development within walking distance of retail, commercial and community facilities. Concentrating housing within the Town Centre is a sound planning outcome as it promotes higher density housing in a location with strong amenity and services, supports walkable neighbourhoods, and improves access to shops, employment and community infrastructure.

Delivering housing in locations where infrastructure and services already exist is an efficient and sustainable planning approach and will help ensure housing supply keeps pace with population growth in South West Sydney.

The Town Centre is intended to function as the commercial and civic heart of the Oran Park community, incorporating retail, commercial, hospitality and community uses.

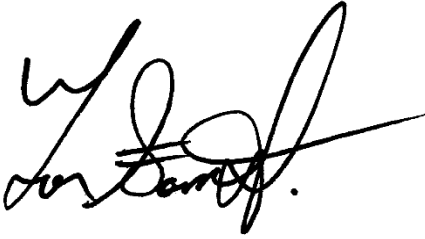
As development continues, the centre will deliver significant employment opportunities and economic activity for the region. Increasing the footprint and capacity of the Town Centre will allow additional commercial floorspace, services and businesses to establish in the area, supporting job creation close to where people live and reducing the need for long commuting journeys to other parts of Sydney.

Enabling additional mixed-use development will only strengthen the centre as a destination for retail, services, entertainment and employment while creating an active and attractive urban environment for residents and visitors.

The proposed planning amendments represent a logical evolution of the Oran Park Town Centre and will help ensure that the centre continues to grow in line with the needs of the surrounding community.

By enabling additional housing and employment in an established growth precinct, the proposal will support housing supply (in keeping with Federal and State Government objectives), strengthen the local economy, and contribute to the creation of a mature and well-functioning urban centre.

Yours sincerely

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Tom Forrest
Chief Executive Officer