



Professor Mary O'Kane AC
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Dear Professor O'Kane

I refer to your correspondence of 1 August 2018 requesting the Department to complete the assessments of two proposed Crown cemetery developments at Wallacia and Varroville.

The Department's Industry Assessments team is currently reviewing the information relating to the two proposals. To progress its assessments, the Department has discussed the proposals with the Catholic Metropolitan Cemeteries Trust (the Applicant), Councils and other relevant agencies. On 12 September 2018, officers from the Department visited the sites to gain a better understanding of the proposals and the local context.

Once the Department has completed its assessment of the two proposals, the Department will deliver its advice to the Independent Planning Commission (Commission) for its consideration.

Should the Commission have any further enquiries about this matter, I have arranged for Chris Ritchie, Director, Industry Assessments, to assist. Mr Ritchie can be contacted on telephone number (02) 9274 6413.

Yours sincerely

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