



Mr Alan Stoneham
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Dear Mr Stoneham

I am writing to advise you that the Catholic Metropolitan Cemeteries Trust has referred the development application for the Wallacia cemetery proposal (DA 17/1092) to the Minister for Planning under section 4.33 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.

As a Crown applicant, the Trust is able to refer the application to the Minister if the consent authority, the Sydney Western City Planning Panel, fails to determine the application within 70 days of lodgement.

The Minister has delegated his functions under division 4.6 of the Act, including functions under sections 4.33 and 4.34, to the Independent Planning Commission (IPC) for this development application. The IPC is an independent, expert decision-making body that is best placed to exercise the Minister's functions for this application under the Act.

In carrying out these functions, the IPC may direct the Panel to approve the application (with or without conditions) or refuse it by the date specified in the direction. If the Panel fails to comply with this direction, it will be taken to have determined the application in accordance with the direction.

We will contact you shortly to advise you of the next steps in the process.

Should you have any further questions in relation to this matter, please contact Mr Stuart Withington, Manager, Planning Panels Secretariat, at the Department of Planning and Environment on 8217 2061.

Yours sincerely


Stephen Murray 8 June 2018
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