



Minister for Transport; Planning; Lands

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Dear Mr Puccio

ALCOA WAGERUP BUFFER ZONE

Thank you for your letter of 23 January 2018 to the Hon Mark McGowan, Premier, regarding the above matter, which has been referred to the Hon Rita Saffioti MLA, Minister for Planning for response with respect to the Planning portfolio. The Minister has asked that I respond on her behalf.

The Greater Bunbury Strategy (2013) (Strategy) is the primary land use planning document that provides strategic planning guidance for the region. The Strategy identifies Yarloop and Cookernup as hinterland towns. The policies and principles endorsed within the Strategy for hinterland towns include the need to support the retention of local character, heritage and community identity and for no expansion other than to areas that have already been identified for urban development.

Finalisation of the Strategy included a three month public consultation process in 2011, including eight consultation sessions for the general public.

It is important to note that the planning principles adopted in the Strategy exist for other hinterland towns and are not contingent on the operations of the Alcoa Wagerup refinery. I reiterate the Minister's previous advice that a buffer will not be progressed by the State Government.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'David McFerran'.

David McFerran
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10 APR 2018