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Dear Sir/Madam

DECISION UNDER SECTION 48A(1)(a) *Environmental Protection Act 1986*

SCHEME: Shire of Northampton - Town Planning Scheme 9
- Amendment 11
RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY: Shire of Northampton
DECISION: Scheme Not Assessed: Advice Given (no
appeals)

Thank you for referring the above proposed scheme to the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA).

After consideration of the information provided by you, the EPA considers that the proposed scheme should not be assessed under Part IV Division 3 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act) but nevertheless provides the attached advice and recommendations.

Please note the following:

- For the purposes of Part IV of the EP Act, the scheme is defined as an assessed scheme. In relation to the implementation of the scheme, please note the requirements of Part IV Division 4 of the EP Act.
- There is no appeal right in respect of the EPA's decision to not assess the scheme.

A copy of this letter and the attached advice and recommendations will be made available to the public via the EPA website.

Yours sincerely

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Darren Foster
Director
Strategic Policy and Planning Division

For the Chairman of the Environmental Protection Authority
Under Notice of Delegation No. 33 dated 6 December 2013

30 March 2015

Encl. Scheme Advice and Recommendations

**ADVICE UNDER SECTION 48A(1)(a)
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT 1986**

Shire of Northampton Town Planning Scheme No.9 Amendment No11

Determination: Scheme Not Assessed – Advice Given (no appeals)

Determination Published: 30 March 2015

Summary

The Shire of Northampton has initiated Amendment No.11 to Town Planning Scheme No.9 to:

- amend the provisions to the text in Special Control Area1- Rural Zone in accordance with the Bowne Farm Structure Plan;
- amend the provisions in Appendix 7 – Special Use (SU) zones as it relates to No.5 (SU5) to include the use 'Aged or Dependent Persons Dwelling' within the Special Use zone;
- rezone Lot 106 Clematis Crescent from 'R20 to R40';
- rezone Lot 112 Flora Boulevard from 'SU5' to 'Commercial';
- rezone Lot 118 Flora Boulevard from 'Commercial' to 'R40'; and
- amend the scheme maps accordingly.

The Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) has considered the scheme amendment in accordance with the requirements of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act). In making its decision on whether to assess the scheme amendment, the EPA has applied its 'Significance Framework' which relates to the extent to which the scheme amendment meets the EPA's environmental objectives for the environmental factor.

The EPA considers that the scheme amendment is unlikely to have a significant effect on the environment and does not warrant formal assessment under Part IV of the EP Act. The potential impacts from the scheme amendment can be adequately managed to meet the EPA's objectives through the implementation of the responsible authority's scheme provisions, management plans and regulated through other statutory processes.

1. Environmental Factors

The EPA has identified the following environmental factor relevant to this scheme amendment:

- a) Flora and Vegetation

2. Advice and Recommendations regarding Environmental Factor

The ERA has based its decision on the scheme amendment documentation provided by the Shire of Northampton. The EPA notes that Declared Rare Flora and Priority Species have been identified in the Browne Farm Local Structure Plan and expects that further detailed management plans and scheme provisions to address Flora and Vegetation will be addressed prior to subdivision and development and in consultation with the Department of Parks and Wildlife and other relevant authorities.