



**Sharon Grierson MP**  
Federal Member for Newcastle

**21 January 2009**

**Media Release**

**NO FURTHER FEDERAL ASSESSMENT ON  
NOBBYS HEADLAND DEVELOPMENT**

Member for Newcastle, Sharon Grierson has welcomed today's announcement regarding the proposal to develop Nobbys Headland.

Environment Minister, Peter Garrett MP, has indicated that an assessment from the Federal Government is not required as the new design will not impact on the Commonwealth Heritage-listed lighthouse.

"Nobbys has always been an icon for the city of Newcastle. It is essential that any development at the headland ensures the heritage values of the site are protected," Ms Grierson said.

"I am pleased that the proponents were able to refine their proposal in a way that has satisfied that test."

"The way is now clear to move forward with a responsible development that activates the area."

"The development will still require approval from the Local and State Governments and I trust that any future assessments will ensure the design and operation of the site maximises public access."

**Media contacts: 4926 1555**

**Canberra**  
House of Representatives  
Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600  
Ph: 02 6277 4221  
Fax: 02 6277 8461



**Newcastle**  
427 Hunter Street  
NEWCASTLE NSW 2300  
Ph: 02 4926 1555  
Fax: 02 4926 1895  
[www.sharongrierson.com](http://www.sharongrierson.com)