

WESTERN SYDNEY UNIVERSITY



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Mr. Nathan Stringer
Department of Planning Infrastructure and Environment
12 Darcy Street
Parramatta NSW 2150

Re: State Significant Development Application (SSD-8571481) – Letter of Support, Western Sydney University

Thank you for the opportunity to review the State Significant Development Application (SSD-8571481) for the proposed TAFE NSW Institute of Applied Technology for Construction (IATC) (formerly TAFE NSW Construction Centre of Excellence).

Western Sydney University supports the proposed TAFE NSW IATC State Significant Development Application. The co-location of the TAFE NSW IATC building adjacent to the University's Werrington and Kingswood Campuses will provide opportunities to develop a tailored education partnership including co-design and delivery of curriculum and pathways between TAFE NSW and University course offerings.

The TAFE NSW IATC is strategically positioned along the innovation corridor, connecting the Penrith and Campbelltown Centres, as well the Quarter's Health and Education Precinct. The TAFE NSW IATC will also reinforce the Quarter's vision for a well-connected, productive, and integrated health and education precinct.

The provision of public and active transport infrastructure will be critical to supporting the future student population at the IATC. Opportunities for connection to existing and planned transport infrastructure, such as the Sydney Metro – Western Sydney Airport line, must be considered along side a highly accessible and integrated transport solution that can service students, workers, and residents. The University encourages TAFE NSW to explore opportunities for transport improvements that will positively contribute to its future operation within the health and education precinct.

We are pleased to support the proposed TAFE NSW IATC and to strengthen our existing partnership with TAFE NSW. The University looks forward to working with TAFE NSW to provide a highly skilled construction workforce that will support the growth of the Western Parkland City.

If you would like to discuss this matter further, please contact Matthew Choi, Planning Manager, Estate Planning and Strategy at m.choi@westernsydney.edu.au.

Yours sincerely,

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