



10/01/2020

Mr Peter Jamieson
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Dear Mr Jamieson

**International Chinese School (SSD-10260)
Response to Submissions**

I refer to the Response to Submissions (RtS) submitted for the International Chinese School (SSD-10260). The Department has carefully considered the information provided and requests that you provide additional information before accepting the RtS.

The Department's request for the RtS dated 5 November 2019 noted that the Department considered that there were significant issues with the merits of the proposal including matters relating to heritage, parking and traffic, use and reliance on Council's facilities and infrastructure (including the need for land owner's consent), and unsuitable on-site open space provision. Resolution of these matters require proper consultation with relevant public agencies, particularly Willoughby City Council (Council), as emphasised at the subsequent meeting at the Department's offices on 19 November 2019.

The RtS report states that the RtS was prepared following further consultation undertaken with Council and Transport for NSW (Roads and Maritime Services) (RMS). However, no information has been included in the RtS to detail the consultation that has been undertaken and there is no evidence of comments provided by Council or RMS. In particular, the RtS states that the 'Lunch Time Management Plan' lodged with the RtS was established in conjunction with Willoughby City Council but no supporting information has been provided.

It is the Department's understanding that a letter was sent to Council in early December with respect to your response to its concerns with the proposal. It is also understood that an initial meeting with Council is scheduled for the week commencing 13 January 2020 to discuss the matters raised in the letter.

It is considered that the required consultation is ongoing and has not been undertaken to the extent that a RtS should be accepted by the Department, then forwarded to Council and other public agencies for their final comment before the Department's final assessment commences.

You are requested to lodge a final RtS when consultation is undertaken and concluded, with details included of the matters sought for Council's input and RMS during consultation and relevant

outcomes. This should also include how Council was a party to the preparation of the 'Lunch Time Management Plan' and evidence that Council endorses the plan.

Please provide a revised RtS to the Department that includes the additional information by Friday 7 February 2020.

If you have any questions, please contact Dimitri Gotsis, who can be contacted on 8217 2053 or Dimitri.Gotsis@planning.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'KH', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Karen Harragon
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as delegate for the Secretary