



**Record of Minister's opinion for the purposes of Clause 6(1) of the
State Environmental Planning Policy (Major Projects) 2005**

I, the Minister for Planning, have formed the opinion that the development described in the Schedule below, is development of a kind that is described in Schedule 1 of the State Environmental Planning Policy (Major Projects) 2005 – namely Clause 18 “Hospitals” - Development that has a capital investment value of more than \$15 million for the purpose of providing professional health care services to people admitted as in-patients (whether or not out-patients are also cared for or treated there), including ancillary facilities for:

- (a) day surgery, day procedures or health consulting rooms, or
- (b) accommodation for nurses or other health care workers, or
- (c) accommodation for persons receiving health care or for their visitors, or
- (d) shops or refreshment rooms, or
- (e) transport of patients, including helipads and ambulance facilities, or
- (f) educational purposes, or
- (g) research purposes, whether or not they are used only by hospital staff or health care workers and whether or not any such use is a commercial use, or
- (h) any other health-related use.

- and is thus declared to be a project to which Part 3A of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* applies for the purpose of section 75B of that Act.

Schedule

A proposal for the redevelopment of the Caritas site (299 Forbes Street, Darlinghurst) and O'Brien Building – including its demolition and site preparation works - (within the St. Vincents Hospital complex, Darlinghurst) generally as described in the letter (dated 21 June 2006) from the Mary Foley, Chief Executive Officer – St Vincents and Mater Health Sydney to the Minister for Planning, the Hon. Frank Sartor – as supported by a document titled *Re-development of No. 299 Forbes Street, Darlinghurst ('Caritas') and re-development of the 'O'Brien' wing of St. Vincent's Hospital* prepared for St. Vincent's Hospital and dated July 2006.

SIGNED

**Frank Sartor
Minister for Planning**

Date: 28 August 2006