Peter McManus - Modification Request for the University of Sydney Abercrombie Precinct Redevelopment: Application Number: MP07_0158 MOD 3

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Attention:

Development Assessment Systems & Approvals, Department of Planning & Infrastructure

From: Anna Tregloan 250 Wilson Street Darlington, 2008.

Dear Sir/Madam,

Regarding: Modification Request for the University of Sydney Abercrombie Precinct Redevelopment: Application Number: MP07_0158 MOD 3

I am a resident of Darlington and I am writing to you to make the following objections in relation to the above development modification request by the University of Sydney. The modifications would have an unacceptable adverse impact on the amenity of nearby residents and will be detrimental to the suburb.

Whereas the previously approved DA set the building facades of the upper floors back from the street this new proposal moves the buildings substantially closer to the street and the upper floors in line with the footpath thus encroaching unacceptably on the existing street scape. As demonstrated by the Shadow Diagrams this means that the residential dwellings opposite will now be darkened from approximately 3pm in the afternoon. Additionally because the new building is substantially taller than surrounding buildings it will dominate the street and will be detrimental to existing heritage ambience of the area. By decreasing the space between it and the street the potential for green space that would soften the facade it also virtually negated.

I request the University adhere to the original proposal it made to the residents of Darlington a align the facade of the new buildings with that of Mandelbaum House.

As previously noted the proposed student accommodation will have a significant impact on the small suburb of Darlington and I request that any increase in the number of proposed residents in the facility not be approved. It is the considered opinion of the residents of Darlington that already these new dwellings will put an unsustainable stress on the amenity of the suburb through increased traffic and general negation of the suburbs relaxed ambience. Hence any further increase is simply

unacceptable; if anything the number should be decreased.

I would also like it noted that I strongly object to Sydney University attempting to mislead the community by distributing a fictitious rendering of the proposed development. The image showed the proposed building at close to half the actual scale when compared to surrounding buildings; it insinuated that there would be trees taller than seven stories surrounding this new building and that the facade would be substantially green (which is is not); most offensively this rendering does not even realistically portray the buildings as abutting the foot path as it is in the current proposal. Despite these glaring inconstancies the drawing is dated October 2013 and was sent by the University to residents as a demonstration of the proposal. If the image demonstrates anything it is that the University is quite aware that its proposed amendments will not have a positive impact on the street scape and will not be amenable residents.

I thank you for your time and hope that you give serious consideration to the objections placed by my self and the other long standing residents of Darlington.

Faithfully, Anna Tregloan

250 Wilson Street Darlington, 2008.