



19 November 2020

Ms. Karen Harragon
Director, Social and Other Infrastructure Assessments
Department of Planning, Industry and Environment
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Attention: Dimitris Gotsis

Dear Ms. Harragon,

**EXHIBITION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT
REDEVELOPMENT OF BANKSTOWN NORTH PUBLIC SCHOOL
322 HUME HIGHWAY, BANKSTOWN NORTH**

Thank you for referring the above Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to Transport for NSW (TfNSW) for comment.

TfNSW have reviewed the EIS and provide comments for the Department's consideration in **TAB A**.

In addition to the above, TfNSW advises that that the proponent will need to obtain Section 87 of the *Roads Act 1993* approval and concurrence under Section 138 of the *Roads Act 1993* for the proposed works on the Hume Highway. TfNSW recommends that this undertaken after comments in TAB A are reviewed by the proponent.

If you have any further inquiries in relation to this development application please contact Narelle Gonzales, Development Assessment Officer, on 0409 541 879 or by email at: development.sydney@rms.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely,

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TAB A

Transport Impact Assessment (TIA)

Comment

Since the TIA was generated it is understood that there have been numerous changes to the intersection design particularly with regard to the staggered pedestrian crossing.

Recommendations

The TIA is updated as part of the Applicant's Response to Submissions with the latest intersection design.

Proposed Access and School Pick-up and Drop-off Arrangement

Comment

Based on the Figure 32 of the Traffic Impact Assessment Report prepared to support the development application, the following safety risks have been identified:

- Students need to cross the car parking area to access the pick-up and drop-off area. This would have the potential to cause safety incidents between the vehicles reversing in/out of the parking space and the students accessing the school / pick up and drop off area; and
- The proposed development would increase pedestrian and vehicle movements along Beresford Road and Davis Lane. This would increase the conflicts between the vehicles and the pedestrians crossing at midblock locations of these roads and the access locations.
- The teacher's car park access is two directional and as such there is a potential conflict between vehicles exiting the teacher's carpark and vehicles entering the drop off/pick up zone.

Recommendation

It is requested that the applicant undertakes the following as part of the Applicant's Response to Submissions for the school pick-up and drop off area, pedestrian and vehicular accesses:

- Road Safety Audit in accordance with *Austroads Guide to Road Safety Part 6: Managing Road Safety Audits* and *Austroads Guide to Road Safety Part 6A: Implementing Road Safety Audits* by an independent TfNSW accredited road safety auditor; and
- Review the school pick-up and drop off as well as its potential conflict with the teacher's car park access and pedestrian and vehicle access arrangements based on the results of the road safety audit, and implement safety measures, if required, in consultation with Canterbury-Bankstown Council and TfNSW.

Construction Pedestrian and Traffic Management

Comment

Several construction projects are likely to occur within the Bankstown North Precinct at the same time as this development. The cumulative increase in construction vehicle movements from these projects could have the potential to impact on general traffic and public transport operations within the Bankstown North Precinct, as well as the safety of pedestrians and cyclists particularly during commuter peak periods.

The proposed redevelopment works are expected to occur during the operation of the school. It is advised that the construction traffic management plan needs to ensure the safety of staff of students with adequate safety management measures during the construction.

Recommendation

It is requested that the applicant be conditioned to prepare a Construction Pedestrian and Traffic Management Plan (CPTMP) in consultation with TfNSW and submit a copy of the final CPTMP plan to Canterbury-Bankstown Council, prior to the issue of any construction certificate.

Green Travel Plan

Comment

It is noted that the development application includes a Green Travel Plan which outlines actions and strategies that could be implemented to encourage staff, students and visitors to travel to Bankstown North Public School using public and active transport.

Recommendation

It is requested the applicant be conditioned to update the Green Travel Plan in consultation with TfNSW and submit for the endorsement of TfNSW prior to the issue of the occupation certificate.