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Dear Mr Glasgow

Subject: Exhibition – Eden Street, Arncliffe Mixed Used Redevelopment (SSD-11429726)

Thank you for your email received 29 July 2021 requesting comments on the above proposal. Environment, Energy and Science Group (EES) has the following comments.

Biodiversity and Impacts to Native Vegetation

EES issued a Biodiversity Development Assessment Report waiver on 15 January 2021 on the basis that the proposed development is not likely to have any significant impact on biodiversity values. The waiver was issued based on the removal of trees and vegetation within the subject site. Additional impacts have been identified during EES's assessment which must be addressed.

The Arboricultural Impact Appraisal and Method statement prepared by Naturally Trees dated 16 November 2020 (the arborist report) provides recommendations for the retention and protection of two significant trees including one *Eucalyptus pilularis* (tree 109 located within the adjoining property at 20-24 Eden Street) and one *Lophostemon confertus* (tree 111 located within the Eden Street road reserve). Tree 109 was specifically noted for retention in the BDAR Waiver Assessment prepared by Cumberland Ecology dated 7 January 2021. Architectural plans show works are proposed within the tree protection zone of these trees which is not consistent with the recommendations of the arborist report. To ensure the protection and retention of these trees the recommendations contained within the arborist report are to be implemented. In particular, for tree 109, the arborist report notes that existing levels between the tree and the exploratory trench (as detailed in the report), must remain unaltered and that there is to be no services or built structures placed within this critical zone.

Design changes within the tree protection zone of these trees will be required to comply with the recommendations of the arborist report and ensure the retention and protection of trees 109 and 111.



Flooding/Floodplain Risk Management

The flood risk management reports for the proposed development have been reviewed and there are no outstanding matters to be addressed.

If you have any queries please contact Shaun Hunt, Senior Conservation Planning Officer via shaun.hunt@environment.nsw.gov.au or 02 8275 1617.

Yours sincerely

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