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Ms Tahlia Alexander
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Dear Tahlia,

RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION MARIST CATHOLIC COLLEGE NORTH SHORE REDEVELOPMENT SSD-10473

We write in response to the Department's letter dated 30 April 2021 requesting additional information in relation to the provision of unencumbered outdoor space for the proposed child care centre.

In response, WMK has updated the child care section of their design statement (a full update will be provided with the Response to Submissions) which demonstrates how the proposed open space complies with the requirements of the Child Care Planning Guideline. As shown in the **attached**, 40% of the outdoor area is open directly to the sky. The remaining open space is covered by the floorplate above. This component of the outdoor space comprises a large verandah and has been designed in accordance with the Child Care Planning Guideline. This space can therefore contribute to the unencumbered outdoor space area for the proposed child care centre. Therefore, concurrence from the Department of Education is not required and a redesign is not necessary.

Consistency with the criteria for a verandah, taken from Section 4.9 of the Child Care Planning Guideline, is outlined in the table below.

Criteria for Verandah as Outdoor Space	Proposal	Compliance
Be open on at least one third of its perimeter	An opening of 33.4% is provided	Yes
Have a clear height of 2.1m	A clear height of 3m is provided	Yes
Have a wall height of less than 1.4m where a wall with an opening forms the perimeter	The space is enclosed by a balustrade with a height of 1.2m	Yes
Have adequate flooring and roofing	Concrete structural floors are provided below and above, with a variety of warm floor and ceiling finishes and lining to columns.	Yes
Be designed to provide adequate protection from the elements	The verandah is protected by the building floor above and walls to the side and rear.	Yes

Please do not hesitate to contact me on the details below if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely,



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