SYD05/06-07 ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN REPORT FOR STATE SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION (SSDA)



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SITE



SITE ANALYSIS







ARCHITECTURAL EXPRESSION

LIGHT AND SHADOW



ROOF FORMS & EXPRESSED EAVES





DESIGN STATEMENT

The proposed design of the development aims to fulfil the objectives of the local code and contribute to the character envisaged for the estate, the context of the locality, and in keeping with the core principles of green initiatives. The proposed development adopts a modular and sustainable design approach, a key focus to the construction, operation, and life cycle processes.

The resultant architectural design intends to achieve a harmonious synergy of various elements amalgamated to re-invent and re-energise the design of data centres to become the 'new factory' of the future.



PROPOSED VIEW FROM SOUTH EAST



CAMPUS ARTIST IMPRESSSION





PROPOSED VIEW FROM MAIN ENTRY



KEY DESIGN FEATURES - DATA HALL BLOCK



TYPICAL PART ELEVATION - SYD05/06 (NORTH/SOUTH) SYD07 (SOUTH)

The data hall blocks typically comprise a long stretch of plant louvres as part of the facade, and fronted by generator yards with various equipment necessary to support the operation of the data centre. In order to design a façade treatment that is appropriate to the site and respond to prominent views, a ribbon of bronzelook random striped pattern has been introduced along the long façade as a striking visual interest in contrast to a darker background. This ribbon also performs functionally as an air deflector for exhaust air relief.

The colour selection of the façade is selected to form a unique palette of earthy tones to suit the surrounding greenery and enhance the character of the precinct.



(2) Deflectors and Roof Relief Air Shaft Anodised aluminium panels with bronze-look in 4 tone variations to form random pattern

> (1) DEC Louvres Power coated aluminium louvres

COLOURS AND MATERIALS PALATTE

KEY DESIGN FEATURES - DATA HALL BLOCK



TYPICAL PART ELEVATION - SYD07 (NORTH)

In response to the public road at the north, the north façade of SYD07 data hall block adopts a different design approach with a unique cocktail of materials and natural colour tones, with a 'veil' flowing continuously as part of the roof form.

The colour and material of the relief air shaft at the roof, precast wall, and the roof veil are juxtaposed at intervals to articulate and 'break down' the length of the building. This together with strategically lined greenery form an interesting façade canvas from the prominent view at the north.



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KEY DESIGN FEATURES – ADMIN OFFICE BLOCK

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SYD05 TYPICAL FRONT ELEVATION

One of the important prominent views include the view corridors towards the Admin blocks. Positioned and functioning as the front of house part of the data centre, it is crucial to create an impressive and welcoming approach experience for staff and visitors, that is not only appropriate to the corporate identity, but also integrates with the surroundings.

The façade of the typical Admin block, and lift core at the background, comprises a mix of 4 similar colour tones to conjure a façade canvas of pixelated patterns, mimicking the endless advancement of digital technology befitting to our modern-day environment.



COLOURS AND MATERIALS PALATTE

LANDSCAPE DESIGN & STRATEGIES



TYPICAL BOUNDARY SECTION

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DESIGN + SUSTAINABILITY SUMMARY

Sustainable architecture is a result of creating a minimal impact on the environment through the application of appropriate design concepts, materials and technologies while also ensuring ongoing benefits for future occupants in the form of energy efficiency, comfort and well-being throughout the lifecycle of the data centre development.

A green architectural design approach has to factor in every aspect of its lifecycle right from siting, design and construction, through operation, maintenance and renovation, to end-of-life when the materials can be retrieved and recycled. Sustainable design takes into consideration factors such as building orientation to catch the natural sunlight into office working spaces, placement of rooms, and sizing and positioning of windows for ventilation and optimizing views. The materials palette is tuned to energy efficiency and low-energy use with effective application of insulation, seals, solar shading elements, low-emissivity glass, double-glazed windows, and high thermal mass building products.

The data centre should also be a healthy environment created for occupants through the use of non-toxic paints and finishes. Material selection combines high performance with low maintenance and long-term durability, ensuring a sustainable solution. Other trends influencing the future of a green data centre also include recycling of spaces through renovation, adaptive re-use of future products choices, use of organic materials, pedestrian-friendly campus, water-conserving building design, smart energy-saving technologies, and building designed to completely blend with the natural landscape within the campus, as well aligned with the planning policies of open spaces and green corridor guidelines.

As the next generation of data centres continue to employ many new technologies to meet the increasing needs of a constantly evolving society, it is inevitable that our environment may be impacted. Therefore, it is paramount that data centres should adopt a well-suited design which not only contributes to the larger society in the digital technology aspect, but also represents a 'new factory' of our better environment.