Department of Planning and Environment



Our ref: Alexandria Health Centre (SSD-38600121)

Alexandria Property Development Pty Ltd c/o Mr Adam Thomas Project Manager Johnstaff Level 5, 9 Castlereagh Street Sydney NSW 2000

9 May 2022

Subject: Alexandria Health Centre (SSD-38600121) – Request to waive the need for a Biodiversity Development Assessment Report under the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016*

Dear Mr Thomas

I refer to the request from Urbis, on behalf of Alexandria Property Development Pty Ltd (the Applicant), dated 7 March 2022, seeking to waive the need for a Biodiversity Development Assessment Report (BDAR) to be submitted as part of the above referenced State significant development (SSD) application.

Under section 7.9(2) of the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 (BCA):

"Any such application is to be accompanied by a biodiversity development assessment report unless the Planning Agency Head and the Environment Agency Head determine that the proposed development is not likely to have any significant impact on biodiversity values."

The authority of the "Planning Agency Head" to determine whether a proposed development is "not likely to have any significant impact on biodiversity values" has been delegated to Team Leaders within the Development Assessment Division on 7 March 2022.

I have reviewed the application of the test of significance under sections 1.5 and 7.3 of the BCA and clause 1.4 of the Biodiversity Conservation Regulation 2017, and determine that the development (as described in the letter prepared by Urbis dated 7 March 2022) is not likely to have any significant impact on biodiversity values. The application, therefore, does not need to be accompanied by a BDAR. Accordingly, a waiver under section 7.9 is granted for the proposed development (being Alexandria Health Centre – SSD-38600121).

The delegated "Environment Agency Head" in the Biodiversity and Conservation Division of the Department of Planning and Environment's Environment and Heritage Group has also granted a waiver in a letter and a copy of that letter is attached.

This waiver is issued in respect of the proposed development detailed in the Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements dated 7 April 2022. Amendments to the development may require a further waiver to be sought and issued.

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If you have any enquiries, please contact Megan Fu on 9274 6531 or via email to megan.fu@planning.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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