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Our ref: SSD 6339

Ms Sandra Robinson Director Robinson Urban Planning Pty Ltd 83 Fletcher Street Tamarama NSW 2026

Dear Ms Robinson

St Catherine's School Master Plan (SSD 6339) Response to Submissions

The exhibition of the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the above proposal ended on Friday 5 December 2014. All submissions received by the Department during the exhibition of the proposal are available on the Department's website under project title reference 'SSD 6339' (http://majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au).

In accordance with clause 85A of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000, the Secretary requires the applicant to respond to the issues raised in these submissions. Particular consideration should be given to the issues raised by Waverley City Council, Randwick City Council, Roads and Maritime Services and Transport for NSW. Please provide your response to the Department as soon as possible.

The Department has also undertaken a preliminary assessment of the EIS and identified a number of key issues that are required to be addressed in addition to those matters raised in all other submissions received. A key assessment issue is the traffic and parking impacts on local roads as a result of the use of the proposed development. Further information is also sought in respect of amenity impacts to adjoining residences and the number of students currently allowed on campus. These matters are outlined in **Attachment A**.

Note that under clause 113(7) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000, the days occurring between the date of this letter and the date on which you provide your response to submissions to the Department are not included in the deemed refusal period.

Your contact officer, Megan Fu, can be contacted on 9228 6531 or via email at megan.fu@planning.nsw.gov.au. Please mark all correspondence to the attention of the contact officer.

Yours, sincerely

Ben Lusher

Manager, Key Sites

as delegate for the Secretary

ATTACHMENT A: KEY ISSUES

Car Parking and Traffic

- 1. The Department is concerned with the traffic and on-street parking impacts to the local road network as a result of additional private vehicle trips in association with the proposed intensification of the use of the site. In this regard further consideration should be given to measures to mitigate these impacts, which should include:
 - additional mitigation measures to maintain existing levels of service at the nearby intersections (Macpherson Street/Albion Street and Macpherson Street/Leichhardt Street);
 - provision of an on-site drop-off and pick-up zone;
 - provision of on-site parking to cater for the use of the proposed facilities not associated with enrolled students of the school (i.e. the use of the auditorium for nonschool related events with up to 500 patrons and the learn to swim programs);
 - the hours of operation of the proposed pool facilities for activities not associated with enrolled students of the school.
- 2. Identify at which stage of the campus expansion that traffic generated by the development would result in a change of Level of Service for each of the Macpherson Street/Albion Street and Macpherson Street/Leichhardt Street intersections (i.e. identify how many additional students in combination with operation of the new facilities can be supported before the performance of intersections would deteriorate).

Transport Management

- 3. Provide further details of the travel demand management measures that will be implemented to promote a modal shift away from private vehicle.
- 4. Provide further details regarding the operation of proposed shuttle bus services for events and the feasibility of such services for each type of event, including the number of services, pick-up times, the capacity of the service, drop-off zone and the likely usage for each type of event.
- 5. Provide the complete results from the St Catherine's School Travel Surveys in the Traffic and Transport Assessment.

Environmental and Residential Amenity

- 6. Provide elevation shadow diagrams clearly illustrating the existing and proposed level of solar access to north facing properties of 4 Macpherson Street at 30 minute intervals between 9 am and 3 pm during mid-winter.
- 7. Review the project specific noise operational noise criteria established for the Leichhardt Lane residences as the amenity criterion has been adopted which is higher than the amenity criterion.

Campus Population

8. Provide clarification regarding the total number of students currently allowed on campus, having regard to previous development consents.