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SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE NSW  
c/- MGP BUILDING & INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICE PL

### FEASIBILITY LETTER

**Developer:** SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE NSW  
**Your reference:** 2018-0122  
**Development:** Lot 295 DP236343 126 LONDONDERRY RD, Richmond  
**Development Description:** The NSW Department of Education are proposing to develop of the Hurlstone Agricultural High School (Hawkesbury). This new facility will run as an integrated school-university model providing specialised agricultural educational facilities for 1,500 students. The Hurlstone Agricultural High School (HAHS) (Hawkesbury) involves the construction of four multi-storey buildings that will provide a range of general learning, laboratory, sporting and agricultural facilities.  
**Your application date:** 5 April 2018

Dear Applicant

This Feasibility Letter (Letter) is a guide only. It provides general information about what Sydney Water's requirements could be if you applied to us for a Section 73 Certificate (Certificate) for your proposed development. **The information is accurate at today's date only.**

If you obtain development consent for that development from your consent authority (this is usually your local Council) they will require you to apply to us for a Section 73 Certificate. You will need to submit a new application (and pay another application fee) to us for that Certificate by using your current or another Water Servicing Coordinator (Coordinator).

Sydney Water will then send you either a:

- Notice of Requirements (Notice) and Developer Works Deed (Deed) or
- Certificate.

These documents will be the definitive statement of Sydney Water's requirements.

There may be changes in Sydney Water's requirements between the issue dates of this Letter and the Notice or Certificate. The changes may be:

- if you change your proposed development eg the development description or the plan/site layout, after today, the requirements in this Letter could change when you submit your new application; and
- if you decide to do your development in stages then you must submit a new application (and pay another application fee) for each stage.

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## What You Must Do To Get A Section 73 Certificate In The Future.

To get a Section 73 Certificate you must do the following things. You can also find out about this process by visiting [www.sydneywater.com.au](http://www.sydneywater.com.au) > Plumbing, building & developing > Developing > Land development.

1. **Obtain Development Consent from the consent authority for your development proposal.**
2. **Engage a Water Servicing Coordinator (Coordinator).**

**You must engage your current or another authorised Coordinator** to manage the design and construction of works that you must provide, at your cost, to service your development. If you wish to engage another Coordinator (at any point in this process) you must write and tell Sydney Water.

For a list of authorised Coordinators, either visit [www.sydneywater.com.au](http://www.sydneywater.com.au) > Plumbing, building & developing > Developing > Providers > Lists or call **13 20 92**.

The Coordinator will be your point of contact with Sydney Water. They can answer most questions that you might have about the process and developer charges and can give you a quote or information about costs for services/works (including Sydney Water costs).

3. **Developer Works Deed**

**After** the Coordinator has submitted your new application, they will receive the Sydney Water Notice and Developer Works Deed. You and your accredited Developer Infrastructure Providers (Providers) will need to sign and lodge both copies of the Deed with your nominated Coordinator. After Sydney Water has signed the documents, one copy will be returned to the Coordinator.

The Deed sets out for this project:

- your responsibilities;
- Sydney Water's responsibilities; and
- the Provider's responsibilities.

**You must do all the things that we ask you to do in that Deed.** This is because your development does not have water and sewer services and you must construct and pay for the following works extensions under this Deed to provide these services.

**Note:** The Coordinator must be fully authorised by us for the whole time of the agreement.

4. **Water and Sewer Works**

### 4.1 **Water**

Your development must have a frontage to a water main that is the right size and can be used for connection.

Sydney Water has assessed your application and found that:

- **You must construct a 100mm water main extension from the 200mm in Londonderry Road to serve your development.** These works must be constructed by a constructor with the appropriate capability. Your Coordinator will be able to provide further advice about this.

#### 4.2 Sewer

Your development must have a sewer main that is the right size and can be used for connection. That sewer must also have a connection point within your development's boundaries.

Sydney Water has assessed your application and found that:

- Major upgrade may be required to the pumping station and rising main to accommodate the proposed flow from the HAHS site.
- Applicant required to further investigate alternative options of servicing the development and submit their proposal for Sydney Water review and acceptance.

## 5. Ancillary Matters

### 5.1 Asset adjustments

After Sydney Water issues this Notice (and more detailed designs are available), Sydney Water may require that the water main/sewer main/stormwater located in the footway/your property needs to be adjusted/deviated. If this happens, you will need to do this work as well as the extension we have detailed above at your cost. The work must meet the conditions of this Notice and you will need to complete it **before we can issue the Certificate**. Sydney Water will need to see the completed designs for the work and we will require you to lodge a security. The security will be refunded once the work is completed.

### 5.2 Entry onto neighbouring property

If you need to enter a neighbouring property, you must have the written permission of the relevant property owners and tenants. You must use Sydney Water's **Permission to Enter** form(s) for this. You can get copies of these forms from your Coordinator or the Sydney Water website. Your Coordinator can also negotiate on your behalf. Please make sure that you address all the items on the form(s) including payment of compensation and whether there are other ways of designing and constructing that could avoid or reduce their impacts. You will be responsible for all costs of mediation involved in resolving any disputes. Please allow enough time for entry issues to be resolved.

### 5.3 Costs

Construction of these **future** works will require you to pay project management, survey,

design and construction costs **directly to your suppliers**. Additional costs payable to Sydney Water may include:

- water main shutdown and disinfection;
- connection of new water mains to Sydney Water system(s);
- design and construction audit fees;
- contract administration, Operations Area Charge & Customer Redress prior to project finalisation;
- creation or alteration of easements etc; and
- water usage charges where water has been supplied for building activity purposes prior to disinfection of a newly constructed water main.

Note: Payment for any Goods and Services (including Customer Redress) provided by Sydney Water will be required prior to the issue of the Section 73 Certificate or release of the Bank Guarantee or Cash Bond.

Your Coordinator can tell you about these costs.

## 6. Special Requirements

### OTHER THINGS YOU MAY NEED TO DO

Shown below are other things you need to do that are NOT a requirement for the Certificate. They may well be a requirement of Sydney Water in the future because of the impact of your development on our assets. You must read them before you go any further.

### Approval of your building plans

Please note that the building plans must be approved when each lot is developed. This can be done at Sydney Water Tap in<sup>TM</sup>. Visit [www.sydneywater.com.au](http://www.sydneywater.com.au) > Plumbing, building & developing > Building > Sydney Water Tap in<sup>TM</sup>.

**This is not a requirement for the Certificate** but the approval is needed because the construction/building works may affect Sydney Water's assets (e.g. water, sewer and stormwater mains).

Where a Sydney Water stormwater channel, pipe or culvert is located within ten (10) metres of your development site it must be referred to Sydney Water for further assessment.

Your Coordinator can tell you about the approval process including:

- Possible requirements;
- Costs; and
- Timeframes.

**Note: You must obtain our written approval before you do any work on Sydney Water's systems. Sydney Water will take action to have work stopped on the site if you do not have that approval. We will apply Section 44 of the Sydney Water Act 1994.**

## Disused Sewerage Service Sealing

Please do not forget that you must pay to disconnect all disused private sewerage services and seal them at the point of connection to a Sydney Water sewer main. This work must meet Sydney Water's standards in the Plumbing Code of Australia (the Code) and be done by a licensed drainer. The licensed drainer must arrange for an inspection of the work by a NSW Fair Trading Plumbing Inspection Assurance Services (PIAS) officer. After that officer has looked at the work, the drainer can issue the Certificate of Compliance. The Code requires this.

## Soffit Requirements

Please be aware that floor levels must be able to meet Sydney Water's soffit requirements for property connection and drainage.

## Fire Fighting

Definition of fire fighting systems is the responsibility of the developer and is not part of the Section 73 process. It is recommended that a consultant should advise the developer regarding the fire fighting flow of the development and the ability of Sydney Water's system to provide that flow in an emergency. Sydney Water's Operating Licence directs that Sydney Water's mains are only required to provide domestic supply at a minimum pressure of 15 m head.

A report supplying modelled pressures called the Statement of Available pressure can be purchased through Sydney Water Tap in<sup>TM</sup> and may be of some assistance when defining the fire fighting system. The Statement of Available pressure, may advise flow limits that relate to system capacity or diameter of the main and pressure limits according to pressure management initiatives. If mains are required for fire fighting purposes, the mains shall be arranged through the water main extension process and not the Section 73 process.

## Large Water Service Connection

A water main will be available, once you have completed your water main construction, to provide your development with a domestic supply. The size of your development means that you will need a connection larger than the standard domestic 20 mm size.

To get approval for your connection, you will need to lodge an application with Sydney Water Tap in<sup>TM</sup>. You, or your hydraulic consultant, may need to supply the following:

- A plan of the hydraulic layout;
- A list of all the fixtures/fittings within the property;
- A copy of the fireflow pressure inquiry issued by Sydney Water;
- A pump application form (if a pump is required);
- All pump details (if a pump is required).

You will have to pay an application fee.

Sydney Water does not consider whether a water main is adequate for fire fighting purposes for your development. We cannot guarantee that this water supply will meet your Council's fire fighting requirements. The Council and your hydraulic consultant can help.

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### **Other fees and requirements**

The requirements in this Notice relate to your Certificate application only. Sydney Water may be involved with other aspects of your development and there may be other fees or requirements. These include:

- plumbing and drainage inspection costs;
- the installation of backflow prevention devices;
- trade waste requirements;
- large water connections and
  - council fire fighting requirements. (It will help you to know what the fire fighting requirements are for your development as soon as possible. Your hydraulic consultant can help you here.)

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