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SCEGGS Darlinghurst  
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To whom it may concern,

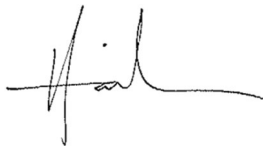
**RE: SSDA Submission and Concept Modification Wilkinson House**

The proposed landscape design for Wilkinson House is generally consistent with the original Landscape Master Plan produced for SCEGGS by CONTEXT Landscape Architecture (September 2019). The existing trees along the street frontages will be retained. No additional trees are proposed for removal, which is consistent with the Landscape Master Plan.

Following an investigation into the viability and performance of the light well planting, it has been removed from the proposed landscape design. Alternative amenity landscaping (Wilkinson House rooftop) is proposed in a more suitable location where improved landscape performance can be achieved.

The Wilkinson House rooftop terrace planter will feature a *Melaleuca linariifolia* (Snow in Summer) and locally native understorey planting. The exposed conditions on the rooftop will naturally restrict the tree's mature height. As part of the ongoing landscape maintenance, regular pruning of the tree will ensure its height is controlled and no neighbouring views are obstructed. The tree will be pruned to a maximum height of 2m.

In consultation with SCEGGS and their Indigenous Student Liaison Officer, the planting for the rooftop will feature locally native plant species. The *Melaleuca linariifolia* is a prolific white-cream coloured flowering tree that is indigenous to the area. This species responds well to pruning and is proven to perform in harsh environments. The locally native understorey planting includes species that are recognised for their Aboriginal cultural significance and medicinal uses.



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