

GOVERNMENT ARCHITECT NEW SOUTH WALES

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Project: **WSU ENGINEERING INNOVATION HUB
2-6 HASSALL STREET, PARRAMATTA**
RE: **SSDA 9670 MOD 4**

Dear David

I am writing to you regarding the Western Sydney University Engineering Innovation Hub proposed at the above address.

I can confirm on 31 July 2020, the proponent provided the Design Integrity Panel (DIP) with amended architectural plans and an explanatory package, provided at Attachment A. This was in relation to proposed enhancements to the Ground Floor retail building including a new accessible rooftop space, minor design development changes in relation to the building entry portals and a minor change in the basement to substitute a car parking space for an air handling plant unit related to the WSU tenancy.

The amended architectural plans were considered by all DIP members and a summary of comments made include the following:

- The design progression has resolved the ground plane amenity in a more coherent way and the overall experience is more refined.
- Introduction of the roof terrace is a great addition to the civic experience within the development. The proponent should consider future operational techniques to ensure it is maintained and active.
- The proposed lift access to the rooftop space is welcomed and results in a better relationship to any future link to Lancer Barracks. The visual link to the Lancer Barracks should be highlighted as much as possible.
- The delineation between landscaped and usable space may need further refinement together with the number and type of furnishings within the space.

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The DIP's consideration of the submitted amendments are in line with SSDA 9670 Condition A32. On 11 August 2020 the DIP resolved to formally accept the proposed amendments. Further, I confirm the proposed modifications are deemed consistent with the design excellence achieved through the competition process.

Accordingly, as representative of GANSW and as Chair of the DIP, I confirm that the architectural package as prepared is suitable for lodgement as part of an SSDA modification application and for assessment by DPIE.

Should you have any queries in relation to this matter, please contact either myself or the Design Integrity Panel Manager, Daniel Howard from Ethos Urban.

Yours sincerely,



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