

Crown Hotel Resort Section 4.55 (2) Modification Application (SSD6957)

We only became aware of the issue of this proposed modification application via a third party with little time to digest the amendments prior to the closing date. On request an extension has been granted for our submission until the close of business 5 July 2019. We are grateful for the extra time.

We have viewed some of the attachments and resources provided on the Department's website. In general terms we do not object to the proposed modifications but offer the following observations and comments.

We note the proposed modifications relating to the reconfiguration of the car park at page 2 of the Ethos Urban report is inconsistent with that for Table 1 of the summary but gather that the table details are correct.

We are surprised that the justification for the increase in residential apartments is related to market demands. We believe that the Crown Hotel Resort is a centrepiece for Barangaroo and is to be a world class venue. It will be Sydney's first six-star international hotel resort on the Sydney Harbour. It will also be the tallest building to be built at the waters edge in Sydney. In our opinion we should be capitalising on opportunities to increase the Hotel key count not increase the number of luxury apartments that only few can afford and which may only be occupied for short periods each year.

As the Department is well aware, there have been many nights of deprived sleep for us relating to overnight low frequency noise from the construction/remediation activities on the Barangaroo South site as it has evolved. We are also too frequently affected by approved out of hours overnight works. While there would be little point in objecting to these proposed modifications, and we expect that there will be more, we have to trust that they will not result in affects on us relating to overnight low frequency noise and vibration or reflectivity.

Our submission offers comments and notes some concerns.

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