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Attention: Megan Fu

Dear Mr. Gibson,

New Maitland Hospital (Stage 2), Metford Road, Metford (SSI-9775) Notice of Exhibition

Thank you for your correspondence dated 8 July 2019 inviting Transport for NSW (TfNSW) comment on the subject State Significant Infrastructure (SSI-9775) Application for the New Maitland Hospital (Stage 2) (NMH).

The proposal seeks approval for the construction and operation of the NMH, which includes a new 7-storey Acute Services Building, internal roadways, parking and associated works. The proposed NMH will accommodate 339 beds and 1,162 FTE staff ten years after opening. On this note, the exhibited documents have been reviewed and the following comments are provided.

- Further assessment of the requirements for the allocation of bus bays in consultation with TfNSW. Note that at this stage, depending on the outcomes of the further assessment, two buses may need to be accommodated at any given time.
- The pick-up/drop-off locations of any community buses also servicing the development should be identified.
- The design and construction of the internal road network intended to be used by buses should be consistent with the *Guidelines for Public Transport Capable Infrastructure in Greenfield Sites.*

These comments have been expanded upon and are provided in **TAB A**. In addition, it is recommended that the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPI&E) include the conditions of consent provided in **TAB B**.

If you require clarification of the above, please do not hesitate to contact Ken Ho, Transport Planner, via email at <u>ken.ho@transport.nsw.gov.au</u>.

Yours sincerely

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Objective Reference: CD19/05652

TAB A – Detailed Comments on State Significant Application SSI-9775

The following comments have been provided based on the review of the exhibited Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

Bus Bays

Comment

The Transport Assessment provided in Appendix H of the EIS proposed 1 bus stop bay based on recommendations outlined in the *State Transit Bus Infrastructure Guide (BI Guide)*. These recommendations are based on a 20 - 30 second dwell time; however buses servicing a hospital development would typically have increased dwell times. As such, a more conservative approach to the bus bay capacity is recommended.

Recommendation

Further assessment of the bus bay requirements based on a more conservative assumption regarding dwell times should be undertaken in consultation with TfNSW. A sufficient allocation of space in the bus bay should be reserved – with a preferred outcome of at least two buses to be accommodated at any given time.

Community Bus Services

<u>Comment</u>

The EIS does not mention whether community buses will also be servicing the hospital. If community buses will be servicing the hospital, the EIS should include details of the pick-up/drop-off location.

Recommendation

The pick-up/drop-off locations of any community buses also servicing the development should be identified.

Bus Capable Infrastructure

<u>Comment</u>

TfNSW have released *Guidelines for Public Transport Capable Infrastructure in Greenfield Sites.* This document details requirements so public transport services can be provided to development in Greenfield sites.

This document is available at: <u>https://www.transport.nsw.gov.au/industry/transport-planning-resources#Guidelines for Public Transport Capable Infrastructure in Greenfield Sites</u>.

In particular, Section 4 of the guidelines provides information on the road infrastructure requirements to ensure bus services can operate safely and efficiently.

Recommendation

The design and construction of the internal road network intended to be used by buses should be consistent with the *Guidelines for Public Transport Capable Infrastructure in Greenfield Sites.*

TAB B – Recommended Draft Conditions of Approval for SSI-9775

The following draft conditions should be considered if the proposed development is to be approved. Note, that additional conditions may be recommended following a review of the applicant's response to submissions.

Green Travel Plan

Recommended Condition:

As part of the ongoing operation of the hospital, a detailed Green Travel Plan (GTP), which includes target mode shares for both staff and visitors to reduce the reliance on private vehicles, shall be prepared. The GTP must be implemented accordingly and updated annually.

Reason:

To ensure sustainable transport outcomes and achieve the overall strategic planning objectives in the Future Transport 2056 Strategy.