

Mr David Gibson Team Leader Social Infrastructure Assessments Department of Planning and Environment GPO Box 39 Sydney NSW 2001

Attention: Megan Fu

Dear Mr Gibson

Blacktown Hospital Stage 2 Main Works (SSD 7714) Notice of Exhibition- Notice of Exhibition

Thank you for your letter dated 26 July 2016 requesting Transport for NSW (TfNSW) comment on the above.

TfNSW comments are provided below:

Construction Traffic Management Plan

Comment

The construction of the proposed development could have the potential to impact on traffic operations on bus services on the road network located adjacent to the hospital, and the safety of pedestrians and cyclists within and adjacent to the hospital precinct particularly during commuter peak periods.

Recommendation

Prior to the commencement of any works on the site, a Construction Traffic Management Plan (CTMP) prepared by a suitably qualified person shall be submitted to the Principal Certifying Authority (PCA). The Plan must be prepared in consultation with Blacktown City Council, Roads and Maritime Services and the local bus service provider. The CTMP should specify any potential impacts to traffic, pedestrian, cyclists and bus services within the vicinity of the proposed site from construction vehicles during construction. Any potential impacts to pedestrian access or public transport infrastructure including bus stops should also be specified in the CTMP.

The CTMP shall include the cumulative construction impacts of all the projects adjacent to the site. The Applicant shall submit a copy of the CTMP to Blacktown City Council, prior to the commencement of work.

Loading Dock

Comment

The proposed development is expected to use the existing loading dock with the expansion of hospital. No analysis has been provided for the adequacy of the loading for the upgraded hospital.

Recommendation

It is requested that the applicant develops a loading dock management plan to service the upgraded hospital.

Bus Operation

Comment

Section 5.1 of the Transport and Accessibility Study (Traffic Report) states that the current bus route (Route 721) could be adjusted to travel through the hospital.

Recommendation

It is advised that the applicant consults with TfNSW to assess the feasibility of the proposed changes to the bus route.

Pedestrian Access to Bus Stops

Comment

Section 6.2 of the Traffic Report states green travel plan is a package of measures introduced to promote the use of public transport, walking and cycling by patrons and employees for travel to and from work and for business related trips.

Recommendation

As agreed in the applicant's response to submissions for the Stage 1 development application, the applicant undertakes consultation with the hospital staff and visitors to obtain their views on existing bus services to the hospital and bus facilities located around the hospital during the preparation of the green travel plan. Based on the outcome of the consultation, Health Infrastructure in partnership with TfNSW and Roads and Maritime Services need to implement measures to increase bus patronage to achieve 4% mode share.

TfNSW requests further information/clarification in relation to the Traffic Study and the details are provided in **TAB A**.

Thank you again for the opportunity of providing advice for the above development application. If you require clarification of any issue raised, please don't hesitate to contact Mark Ozinga, Principal Manager, Land Use Planning and Development on 8202 2198.

Yours sincerely

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TAB A – Request for Further Information/Clarification

Section 3.6 of the Traffic Study

Comment

Section 3.6 has an outdated map for route 721 and discusses the incorrect route operations. This is also the case for route 722.

Recommendation

It is requested that Section 3.6 be updated to reflect current bus operations.

Section 6.1 of the Traffic Study

Comment

Section 6.1 of the Traffic Study states that the train station is within an acceptable walking distance (1.2km) for people who are willing to combine walking with their travel connection to public transport.

Recommendation

TfNSW advises the applicant updates the Section 6.1 as follows:

- A 1.2km walk to railway station for customers is not considered acceptable normal walking distance;
- The proponent's 'Healthy Urban Development Checklist' sections TC1.9 and TC.10 need to referenced; and
- Proposed measures including the preparation of a green travel plan to encourage the use of public transport for travel to the Hospital, for patients and staff needs to be included.