



Transport

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Attention: Megan Fu

Dear Ms. Warton,

EXHIBITION OF ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR SITE 3 MIXED USE DEVELOPMENT AT AUSTRALIA AVENUE, SYDNEY OLYMPIC PARK

I refer to your letter dated 29 June 2011 regarding the application for the Site 3 mixed use development at Australia Avenue, Sydney Olympic Park. The Department of Transport (DoT) has reviewed the *Environmental Assessment* prepared by Architectus and appended *Traffic and Transport Assessment* prepared by Colston Budd Hunt & Kafes. DoT provides the following comments:

- As the site is highly accessible to public transport, the DoT would support a further reduction in the number of proposed car parking spaces to encourage the use of public transport services available;
- As listed in the *Traffic & Transport Assessment*, one of the objectives of the SOPA Masterplan is management of carparks for complementary uses. DoT recommends implementation of this measure for the different residential, commercial and retail uses of the site, as well as the inclusion of carshare spaces to assist in reducing the amount of carparking spaces;
- Measures to promote public transport usage, as requested by the DGR's, could be progressed further by including workplace travel planning (WTP) or green travel planning requirements to help promote public and active transport use by residents, visitors and workers to site. This measure should be included as part of the final statement of commitments or as a condition of consent. Further WTP resources can be found at the Premier's Council for Active Living (PCAL) website, <http://www.pcal.nsw.gov.au>;
- DoT notes the inclusion of bicycle parking on basement level 2 and 3. DoT would also support the inclusion of bicycle parking facilities at ground level for visitors to site. These facilities should be located near entrances, in a visible and weather protected location and subject to casual surveillance, in accordance with the *Planning Guidelines for Walking and Cycling*;

- As well as providing a convenient and appropriate environment for pedestrians and minimising effects on pedestrian movements and amenity, as indicated in the *Traffic & Transport Assessment*, the Construction Management Plan should also mitigate any potential impacts to accessibility, amenity and safety of public transport use and cyclists during construction. This should be included in the final statement of commitments or as conditions of consent; and
- Bus route 401 runs along Dawn Fraser Avenue at Olympic Park Station to Lidcombe Station. The route no longer runs to Olympic Park Wharf as indicated in the *Traffic and Transport Assessment*. Furthermore, Route 553 runs services towards Olympic Park on weekday mornings and to Chatswood in the afternoon only. The converse is indicated in the *Traffic and Transport Assessment*.

Should you have any further questions, please contact Rowena Phua on 8202 2286 or rowena.phua@transport.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'James Li', followed by the date '12/8/11'.

James Li

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