

08 July 2020

Mr Jim Betts
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Dear Mr Betts,

SUTHERLAND ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE
STATE SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION (SSD-10379)

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comment on the Sutherland Entertainment Centre State Significant Development Application (SSD-10379).

School Infrastructure NSW (SINSW) works in conjunction with the Department of Education (DoE) to ensure every school-aged child in NSW has access to high quality education facilities at their local public school.

SINSW has reviewed the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and supporting documents for SSD-10379 and has identified below issues requiring mitigation measures to ensure the on-going operation of Sutherland Public School, located approximately 60 metres to the south of the Sutherland Entertainment Centre site, is not adversely impacted.

Construction Impacts:

Noise and Vibration:

SINSW accepts that temporary construction noise and vibration is an inevitable impact of the proposed redevelopment. To ensure however, that Sutherland Public School is not adversely impacted, SINSW requests that the highest impact construction works should be undertaken outside of school hours and during school holiday periods, where possible.

SINSW also requests that Sutherland Public School is notified at least one week in advance of construction works that could cause considerable noise and/or vibration impacts on Sutherland Public School. This will ensure Sutherland Public School can appropriately respond and adjust operational procedures as required.

SINSW also requests that a condition be placed on any consent requiring period of reprieve during noisy activities if they cannot be undertaken outside school hours.

Traffic and Parking:

The EIS notes that works zones will be setup to facilitate the parking of construction vehicles for the redevelopment of the Sutherland Entertainment Centre. SINSW requests that work zones are not proposed in locations that will

compromise pedestrian and vehicular access to Sutherland Public School and associated school bus zones and drop-off and pick-up spaces.

The EIS also recommends that all construction vehicular traffic should be restricted outside of peak school drop-off and pick-up periods. SINSW is supportive of this recommendation and requests that construction vehicles, including delivery vehicles, do not enter and exit the proposed Sutherland Entertainment Centre work site during school drop-off and pick-up periods. This will ensure that the safety and accessibility of drop-off and pick-up spaces servicing Sutherland Public School, are not compromised as a result of the proposed redevelopment.

On-Going Impacts:

Traffic and Parking:

The EIS notes that the proposed redevelopment of the Sutherland Entertainment Centre will rely solely on existing on-street parking, public off-street parking and public transport, with no on site car parking proposed to be provided (as currently occurs).

SINSW requests that existing school bus zones and drop-off and pick-up spaces which service Sutherland Public School, are not compromised as a result of the proposed redevelopment relying on on-street parking.

Use of Redeveloped Sutherland Entertainment Centre:

The EIS notes that the proposed redevelopment of the Sutherland Entertainment Centre will improve the theatre space so it can accommodate a variety of performances and groups, including schools and associated school events.

SINSW is supportive of this aspect of the proposal and seeks to work with Sutherland Shire Council to ensure that Sutherland Public School (and other school communities throughout the Sutherland Shire) can use the redeveloped Sutherland Entertainment Centre (as currently occurs).

Should you require further information about this submission, please contact Lincoln Lawler at Lincoln.Lawler@det.nsw.edu.au.

Yours Sincerely,



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