

THE  STAR

PUBLIC EXHIBITION ENGAGEMENT SUMMARY ADDENDUM

PREPARED BY



ISSUED: 6 NOVEMBER 2018

PUBLIC EXHIBITION OF MODIFICATION 13 ENGAGEMENT SUMMARY

1. Overview

On 13 August 2018, The Star lodged Modification 13 (Mod 13), supported by an Environmental Assessment Report (EAR). The EAR and associated plans and technical reports were placed on exhibition between 22 August 2018 and 18 September 2018. A total of 138 written submissions were made to the Department of Planning and Environment (the Department) during this time.

Mod 13 includes a new hotel and residential tower, as well as other transport, retail, food and beverage improvements across the site. The proposal also includes a Neighbourhood Centre which will provide dedicated spaces and facilities for community use.

As part of its commitment to open and genuine consultation, The Star engaged with the community and stakeholders during the public consultation period. Engagement activities included a briefing session and four community information sessions which were held at the on-site drop-in display, located opposite Black Bar and Grill at The Star® Pyrmont property.

A total of 129 people were engaged during this program of engagement.

Event	Date/ Time	Number of Attendees
Briefing Event	Monday 20 August 2018, 6.00 pm - 7.30 pm	32
Community drop-in session 1	Tuesday 21 August 2018, 6.30 pm - 8.00 pm	26
Community drop-in session 2	Thursday 23 August 2018, 6.30 pm - 8.00 pm	20
Community drop-in session 3	Saturday 25 August 2018, 9.30 am - 11.30 am	21
Community drop-in session 4	Thursday 13 September 2018, 6.30 pm - 8.00 pm	30
	Total	129

In addition, the Ritz-Carlton Information Display Centre was open to the public from Monday to Saturday, 9am - 5pm over a 5 week period (Friday 17 August 2018 to Saturday 22 September 2018). A total of 4,935 people visited the information display during this time.

2. Background

The Star has engaged the community and key stakeholders as part of the process to develop Modification 13. Engagement activities were held during the Design Excellence Competition, in October 2016, and during the pre-lodgement phase, in March 2017. Key stakeholders and the local community have been kept up to date with The Star® plans, and their feedback has informed the refinement of the final proposal.

3. Ritz-Carlton Information Display

The on-site drop-in display was open to public from Monday to Saturday, 9am - 5pm, over a 5 week period (Friday 17 August 2018 to Saturday 22 September 2018). The drop-in display included a series of information boards that described key elements of the proposal, as well as a scale model showing the proposed hotel and residential tower with respect to the existing property. A total of 4,935 people visited the information display.

4. Engagement Activities

Engagement activities were held at the Ritz-Carlton Information Display Centre. Agendas for the events are included in Appendix 6.1.

4.1 Briefing Event

A briefing event was held on Monday 20 August 2018, 6.00 pm - 7.30 pm, following the lodgement of Mod 13 with the Department.

Key stakeholders, including members of local community groups and representatives from the Community Panel and the Neighbourhood Advisory Panel, were invited to attend the briefing. Invitations were distributed via personalised emails.

The briefing included presentations from The Star and fjmt, as well as an opportunity for attendees to provide feedback, and ask questions of the project team. A total of 32 people attended the briefing event.



4.2 Community Information Sessions

Four community information sessions were held on the following dates:

- Tuesday 21 August 2018, 6.30 pm - 8.00 pm
- Thursday 23 August 2018, 6.30 pm - 8.00 pm
- Saturday 25 August 2018, 9.30 am - 11.30 am
- Thursday 13 September 2018, 6.30 pm - 8.00 pm

The broader Pyrmont community was invited to attend one of the sessions to find out more about the Mod 13 proposal. Invitations were distributed via a letterbox drop to residents and businesses in Pyrmont.

At these sessions community members had an opportunity to view key elements of the final proposal and speak directly to the project team about the design and the next steps in the planning process. Participants were encouraged to drop in at any time during the sessions . which were held for 1.5 to 2 hours on three weeknights, and one Saturday morning. A total of 97 people attended the community information sessions.



5. Engagement Feedback

Consultation feedback gathered by The Star during the Public Exhibition Engagement phase has been collated and summarised below:

Positive feedback

Theme	Snapshot of feedback
Support for building aesthetics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The tower was referred to as a great looking building
Improvements to streetscape	Support was noted for the: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Improved streetscape ▪ Improved blank wall along Jones Bay Road
Traffic and transport improvements	Support was noted for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Improved access to the light rail station . opening up to the station ▪ A future Pyrmont Metro station ▪ The relocation of taxis and tourist coaches away from on-street parking
Improved entertainment and hotel offering	Support was noted for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The Ritz-Carlton coming to Pyrmont and general uplift ▪ Uplift of tired looking buildings at The Star's Pyrmont property ▪ Improved and more food & beverage choices

Theme	Snapshot of feedback
Support for specific elements	<p>Support was noted for specific elements including the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Neighbourhood Centre ▪ Library/reading space ▪ Roof garden (Level 5 Sky Terrace) ▪ Infinity pool (Level 7 Ribbon) ▪ Hotel Sky Lobby & restaurant . its public accessibility was favoured ▪ Replacement trees along Pirrama Road providing shade (in lieu of cabbage palms) ▪ Green Star building
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A number of attendees noted their interest in purchasing apartments

Concerns and issues

Theme	Snapshot of feedback
Building height/scale	<p>Concerns were raised in relation to the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Scale of building (too large) ▪ Thin edge of a wedge for future tall buildings in Pymont
Traffic Impacts	<p>Traffic issues were raised including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Traffic congestion along Harris Street and Edward Street ▪ Bikes may contribute to footpath congestion at the Edward-Union street junction
Potential Impacts	<p>Concerns were raised in relation to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Overshadowing (raised by several Jackson Landing residents) ▪ View impacts . impact on residential views from Watermark, Jackson Landing, Point Street & surrounding ▪ Wind effects, particularly along Pirrama Road
Aesthetics and character	<p>Issues were raised regarding the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Loss of Pymont neighbourhood character ▪ Building aesthetics . one Jackson Landing resident referred to the tower as the ugliest building everq
Construction impacts	<p>Construction-related concerns included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Construction hours, noise and road closures
Neighbourhood Centre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Questions around how it will be managed and how accessible it will be to locals ▪ Suggestion that Council should be given ownership including title
Process	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Several attendees were under the assumption that the Development Application had already been approved ▪ Concern that Government was giving priority to visitors and tourists over locals

Theme	Snapshot of feedback
Other	<p>Other concerns included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ West facing apartments . more can be done ▪ Overseas buyers of apartments - no connection to the local community ▪ The development was overselling public open space, more could be done in relation to this
Existing issues	<p>Some existing issues were raised including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ferrari cars from The Star cruise neighbouring streets at 3am ▪ Patrons littering and causing nuisance on the street ▪ Cheeringnoise from outdoor smoking area facing Pirrama Road

6. Appendix

6.1 Agendas

Briefing Event Agenda

Date: Monday 20th August 2018 (6.00 pm to 7.30 pm)

Venue: The Ritz-Carlton Information Display Centre (opposite Black Bar and Grill)

Time	Activity
6.00 pm	Launch event commences
6.20 pm	Welcome and introductory comments (Greg Hawkins)
6.35 pm	Presentation of tower and ribbon design (Richard Francis Jones, fjmt)
6.55 pm	Information boards and model on display for public to walk around and view at their own pace Architects and technical experts available to talk through designs and respond to any questions
7.30 pm	Event close

Community Drop-in Sessions Agenda

Dates: Tuesday 21 August (6.30 pm to 8.00 pm); Thursday 23 August (6.30 pm to 8.00 pm); Saturday 25 August (9.30 am to 11.30 am); Thursday 13 September (6.30 pm . 8.00 pm)

Venue: The Ritz-Carlton Information Display Centre (opposite Black Bar and Grill)

Time	Activity
Start of event	Session commences
Event	Information boards and model on display for public to walk around and view at their own pace Architects and technical experts available to talk through designs and respond to any questions
End of event	Session ends