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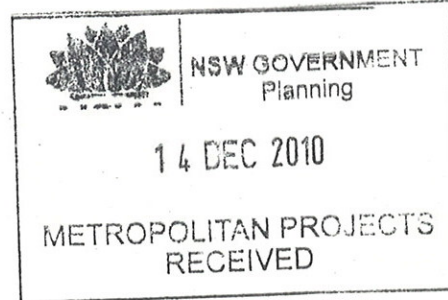
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Date: 3 December 2010

The Hon. Tony Kelly
Minister for Lands
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CC. Federal Member for Wentworth, NSW member for Sydney, Woollahra Municipal Council and other local residents.

RE: Heritage incompatibility of the proposed Scottish Hospital development (1 Cooper St. Paddington).

MP-10-0160 (Against)

Dear Mr. Kelly

The proposed Scottish Hospital development (1 Cooper St. Paddington) incorporates a listed heritage building and is in a heritage protected area, yet the proposed design makes no effort to address this fact.

The Royal Womens' hospital, just a few yards up the road was a model development. It fits in to Paddington like Cinderella into her slipper. Yet it is contemporary and the value of the dwellings there is consistently high. This development uses an 'empiricist' approach that has been dubbed New Urbanism from the early 1990's. When I tried to raise the issue of style in one of the so called 'community information sessions' Gabrielle Cornish replied that the developers wouldn't consider bending to the heritage style of Paddington because it would be a 'pastiche'. Certainly she should go back to university and take her history and theory classes again. I teach those classes and I can set her right.

On the subject of going back to university, the designers may well have failed design studio too. The style of the proposed development is also contemporary, but it bends far too much to flim-flamery and to fashion. It shows no respect to the heritage buildings within the site or nearby or to the Paddington Heritage Control Development Plan. In fact, if you look at the view analyses the developers have prepared, you'll see that in many cases (especially 1 Glenview St and the upper Stephen St instances) the design is more like a baseball bat in the face to the heritage structure of the area.

Highly fashionable developments are subject to going out of fashion again. This will mean major renovations in the foreseeable future, an unacceptable carbon footprint and further disturbance to the locals and residents.

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Date: 4 December 2010

The Hon. Tony Kelly
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CC. Federal Member for Wentworth, NSW member for Sydney, Woollahra Municipal Council and other local residents.

RE: Proposal for Scottish Hospital development (1 Cooper St. Paddington) is misleading, inaccurate and incomplete.

MP10-0160 (Against)

Dear Mr. Kelly

There are a number of professional architects, solicitors, engineers and other professionals (I include myself) who live in the shadow of the proposed Scottish Hospital development (1 Cooper St. Paddington). Many of us have now had a chance to look at the various submissions to the Department of Lands and to the public. Naturally none of us have had the time to wade through the whole thing as we expect your team to do, but even superficially we have found abundant inaccuracies and misleading information in virtually every document or model we look at. It is our opinion that this is a product of a cynical attempt to mislead both the public and the department. From the very beginning, the information we have been fed through the various 'information sessions' has been inaccurate, and to put it very politely 'rose tinted.'

We are not simpletons, and the wool isn't so easily pulled over us. We only hope that your team also balks at the quality of DA that the developers have handed you. Please send it back to them with a flat refusal, asking them to revisit every single fact; the RL's, the scope of the original DA, and the impact on just about everything that concerns the lives of the local residents.

Sincerely,

Jan Golembiewski (Neighbour)

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Please instruct the developers to go back to the design board, to re-evaluate the design paradigm of the proposal, not to mention the scale. If they are unable, please advise Presbyterian Aged Care that there are better designers around and that they should shop around before spending their \$103 million.

Sincerely,

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Date: 13 December 2010

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CC. Federal Member for Wentworth, NSW member for Sydney, Woollahra Municipal Council and other local residents.

RE: MP10-0160 – Request independent review from the NSW Government Architect.

Dear Mr. Kelly

I am involved with the Scottish Hospital Development Action Group. The members of the group have raised so many concerns about the proposed development including inaccuracies and what appear to most of us to be blatant lies. The plans are lengthy and complex and impact on so many important local issues, including heritage, environmental quality, parking, local flora and fauna and general overdevelopment for what appears to be very little benefit, either to the residents of the Scottish Hospital or to the community at large. As such we believe it is best that the NSW Government Architect is engaged to review the plans and give you (and our community) his advice. Thank you.

Sincerely,


Jan Golembiewski

(On behalf of the Scottish Hospital Development Action Group.)