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File No: NTH13/00003/05 Your Ref: SSD 9613

Major Projects
Department of Planning, Infrastructure and Environment
GPO Box 39
SYDNEY NSW 2001

Attention: Ingrid Berzins

Dear Sir / Madam,

Re: SSD 9613. Proposed UNE Wright Block Student Housing & Hub Buildings. Part Lot 10 DP 1142199 Abbott Road, Elm Avenue and Meredith Street Armidale.

I refer to your email of 19 November 2019 requesting comment from Transport for NSW (TfNSW) in relation to the abovementioned development application.

Roles and Responsibilities

The key interests for TfNSW are the safety and efficiency of the transport network, the integrity of State infrastructure and the integration of land use and transport in accordance with *Future Transport Strategy 2056.*

Abbott Street, Elm Avenue and Meredith Street are public (local) roads under the *Roads Act 1993* (Roads Act) and Armidale Regional Council is the Roads Authority for these roads. Council is responsible for setting standards and determining priorities. In accordance with Section 138 of the *Roads Act 1993* Council's approval is required prior to works being undertaken on this road. TfNSW concurrence is not required for unclassified roads.

Transport for NSW Response

TfNSW has reviewed the referred information and provides the following comments to assist the consent authority in making a determination:

1. Transport and Accessibility Impact Assessment (TAIA)

- The impact on the safety of left and right-turning traffic at key intersections should be considered in accordance with Austroads Guide to Traffic Management Part 6 and Austroads Guide to Road Design Part 4A warrants to identify if any improvements are required.
- It should be confirmed that adequate sight distances will be available at surrounding intersections and accesses.

- Car parking should be designed in accordance with Australian Standards. Driveways should be sufficiently off-set from intersections and each other.
- No details were provided of connections for pedestrians across the public roads.
- Any proposed changes or new regulatory controls should be referred to Armidale Regional Council's Traffic Committee for a recommendation.

2. Construction Pedestrian and Traffic Management Plan

The plan should include a Traffic Management Plan (TMP) and Traffic Control Plans (TCP) that have been prepared by a suitably qualified person. The TCPs should be designed in accordance with Roads and Maritimes "Traffic Control at Worksites" Manual". These should include provisions for car parking, deliveries, pedestrians and cyclists that minimise delay and travel distances.

3. Green Travel Plan

It is noted that the Green Travel Plan sets out actions to encourage active and public transport usage and that bicycle parking and end of trip facilities will be provided. While these facilities are recommended to be located in secure, convenient and accessible areas, it is also recommended that an appropriate wayfinding system be implemented for traffic, cyclists and pedestrians to locate these facilities.

The Travel Plan should be amended to incorporate the wayfinding system which must be approved by TfNSW prior to the issue of the first Occupation Certificate.

Upon determination of the application it would be appreciated if Department of Planning, Industry and Environment could forward a copy of the approval for our records. If you have any further enquiries regarding the above comments please do not hesitate to contact Greg Sciffer, Development Assessment Officer on (02) 6640 1362 or via email at: development.northern@rms.nsw.gov.au

Yours faithfully,

For Matt Adams

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