



28 May 2021

Mr Jim Betts
Secretary
Department of Planning, Industry and Environment
Locked Bag 5022,
Parramatta NSW 2124

Attention: Caleb Ball

Dear Mr Betts,

**EXHIBITION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT
SUTHERLAND HOSPITAL OPERATING THEATRE UPGRADE
KINGSWAY AND KAREENA ROAD, CARINGBAH**

Thank you for referring the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) regarding SSD-11099584 Sutherland Hospital Operating Theatre Upgrade to Transport for NSW (TfNSW).

TfNSW has reviewed the EIS and provides the following advisory comments for the Department's consideration in **TAB A**.

If you have any further inquiries in relation to this development application please contact Narelle Gonzales, Development Assessment Officer, on 0409 541 879 or by email at: development.sydney@transport.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely,

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TAB A

Construction Traffic Management Plan (CTMP)

Comment:

The CTMP does not indicate the largest/longest vehicle size will be needed and the frequency of this movement. Under Part 5.2 Public Infrastructure, the plan states that large vehicles may need to mount or cross public kerbs and median devices if necessary, to which the builder will account for any damages to any public infrastructure.

Recommendation:

Details of the largest/longest vehicles accessing the site are required to be submitted as part of the Response to Submissions, as well as a swept path analysis for these vehicles accessing the site.

Green Travel Plan

Comment:

The Travel Demand Management Implementation team has reviewed the Green Travel Plan (GTP) and has a number of recommendations to improve the initial GTP and the proposed initiatives to encourage sustainable transport to the site.

Recommendation:

During the Response to Submissions stage, the Applicant shall provide an updated Green Travel Plan for TNSW's consideration that:

- Incorporates data from available sources including:
 - Surveys of staff and visitors to find out barriers and facilitators to modal shift
 - Quantification and analysis of staff shift times and numbers on the site and analysis of workforce residential postcode data to develop effective strategies in response, as well as help to inform service planning considerations
 - Relevant transport strategies and proposed network changes including planned cycleway along Kingsway
- Includes aspirational, achievable and specific mode targets, identified by avoiding the use of ranges, by clarifying the data and by increasing the targets for active and public transport.
- Provides details and maps of end of trip facilities, access points and site permeability for active travel, including number and location of all secure bike parking, casual bike parking, showers and lockers.
- Identifies lighting or other issues around hospital access points and routes from nearby public transport stops and other points of interest.
- Considers whether further bike parking is required.
- Addresses potential to reduce car parking spaces for staff and therefore reserve the majority of parking for patients and visitors.
- Includes a completed travel access guide and communications strategy.
- Considers innovative ways to incorporate public transport and active transport into the fabric of life at the hospital such as:
 - Promotion of the benefits of cycling, walking and using active transport for people's health, through information provided by Doctors, nurses and allied health staff.
 - A screen with public transport information near reception area for staff and visitors to see when the next buses and trains are arriving
 - A strategy for staff (through flexible working and shift times) and visitors (through visitors hours) to retime their travel to avoid peak hours where possible.
 - Special transport provision for night shift workers (such as shuttle to local train station)
 - Sustainable transport champions to advocate and model desired behaviour and promote through newsletter or other internal channels
 - Alternatives provided for staff who use public or active transport in case of an emergency

- Further guidance for a Travel Plan Toolkit for Hospitals is available here:
<https://www.mysydney.nsw.gov.au/travelchoices/tdm>
- The Applicant should prepare an updated Green Travel Plan in consultation with TfNSW to discuss the proposal via email development.sco@transport.nsw.gov.au.