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Department of Planning, Industry and Environment

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Response to Environmental Impact Statement: SSD-15001460 Hawkesbury Centre of Excellence at 2 College Street, Richmond

I refer to the Department's request to provide comments in relation to the above application. Thank you for providing Council with the opportunity to comment.

The following comments are provided for the Department's consideration in the assessment of the development proposal:-

- The proposed site will support the use of existing public bus and rail infrastructure however, additional consideration should be given to planning of appropriate and readily available transport services for students, professionals and visitors accessing the facility. High priority should be placed on transport routes from Richmond High School including how these routes connect to the proposed development and other services.
- The proposal should ensure there is clear way finding signage, well lit and direct routes for people walking and cycling to transport stops, clear crossing points, adequate lighting and surveillance for night time use.
- It has been mentioned in the proposal that cycling requirements are low, however consideration should be given to promoting opportunities for people to cycle and walk around the site as transport options, but also to encourage principles of healthy lifestyle.

Should you wish to discuss any aspect of these comments further, please do not hesitate to contact me on (02) 4732 8125.

Yours sincerely

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