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Senders ref: SSD 8903 (City of Ryde)

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Dear Mr Nixey,

Subject: Public exhibition of the Modification for State Significant Development Consent SSD 8903 relating to Stage 1 of the Ivanhoe Estate development in Macquarie Park

Thank you for your letter received 13 July 2020, requesting input from Environment, Energy and Science Group (EES) in the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) on the public exhibition of the Modification for State Significant Development Consent SSD 8903 relating to Stage 1 of the Ivanhoe Estate development in Macquarie Park.

The modification application seeks to amend several conditions of consent to clarify specific requirements, timings, nominated personnel or address errors. EES has reviewed the Modification Report prepared by Ethos Urban dated 22 June 2020, and the supporting documents and makes the following comment.

EES notes that the Biodiversity Assessment Report and Offset Strategy prepared by EcoLogical dated 2019 states that "Shrimptons Creek is currently in extremely poor condition" and "is infested with weeds such as Small-leaved Privet". Given that, EES recommends the Biodiversity Management Plan (BMP) is implemented for more than five years, preferably ten years, to better ensure the long-term viability of vegetation on site. EES has no comment on the requirement that the BMP is to be approved by the Planning Secretary.

Please note from 1 July 2020 Aboriginal cultural heritage (ACH) regulation, including advice on SSIs and SSDs, is now managed Heritage NSW. The new contact for the ACH regulation team is heritagemailbox@environment.nsw.gov.au.

Should you have any queries regarding this matter, please contact Bronwyn Smith, Senior Conservation Planning Officer on 9873 8604 or bronwyn.smith@environment.nsw.gov.au

Yours sincerely

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