



Cameron Sargent NSW Department of Planning & Environment GPO Box 39 Sydney NSW 2001

Dear Mr Sargent

Re: DFS Galleria Refurbishment (SSD 6715) Notice of Exhibition

Thank you for this opportunity to provide a response during the public exhibition of proposed refurbishment works to DFS Galleria at 150 George Street, The Rocks.

We have reviewed the application and support the refurbishment of the shopping centre. I previously met with the applicant to discuss their proposal which led to some design changes that can be seen in the proposal as exhibited. We also discussed opportunities to improve the façade to George Street, including the awning and I understand this will form part of a separate development application.

For this application, artist's impressions have been submitted showing a concept for the interior fit-out. A black and white patterned tile floor finish is proposed throughout the ground floor and across the entry alcove from George Street. The style of the patterned tile floor across the entry alcove does not provide an appropriate transition between the public domain and the shopping centre. The George Street entry should be finished with a consistent black tile with a matte finish (or similar) to relate to the proposed tile pattern within the shopping centre and also to relate to the existing footpath surface and any future paving of the footpath (i.e., bluestone or granite paving). Accordingly, a design condition of consent is requested to reflect this recommendation.

Please contact Adrian Bonanni, Senior Urban Designer, on 9240 8523 or <a href="mailto:adrian.bonanni@shfa.nsw.gov.au">adrian.bonanni@shfa.nsw.gov.au</a> if you would like to discuss this matter further.

Yours sincerely

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