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Dear Troy

Letter of support - Lismore Base Hospital – Stage 3B

Lismore City Council thanks you for the opportunity of providing comment on the preliminary plans for Stage 3B of the upgrade of the Lismore Base Hospital. Before specifically referring to the plans it should be noted that Council applauds your consultative approach to the projects in our Local Government Area. This approach has led to significant minor and detail changes that have collectively and individually enhanced the hospital's serviceability from a community perspective.

Council remains a supporter of the redevelopment of the Lismore Base Hospital and is very pleased that you are continuing with the next stage. The additional six floors on top of the current Stage 3A work have been designed in a manner that seeks to minimise the bulk and form of what by its very nature has to be a large building.

The second part of the proposed 3B stage is a five level building that has been integrated into both the natural topography and the current Stage 3A works. It is the lower level of this second part of the works that will contain the loading dock for the hospital. This area has direct street access to Little Uralba Street and is across the road from three lots which are owned by the Lismore Base Hospital.

Little Uralba Street is currently a narrow one way road servicing the Base Hospital and four other residences. For your proposed vehicular and truck manoeuvring areas to function well it will be necessary for you to integrate your open space areas on the eastern side of Little Uralba Street with your loading areas on the west. This integration will require the closing of part of Little Uralba Street. Council supports this proposal as it ensures the level of service on Uralba Street remains high, provided the remaining residents in Little Uralba Street and the public generally are provided with serviceable carriageways, pedestrian areas and vehicular turning areas.

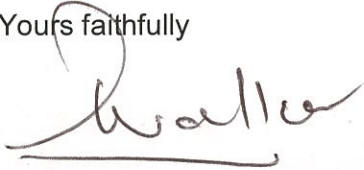
Council congratulates you on the 500 car parking station that you have proposed between Uralba Street and Dalziell Street. This facility will greatly improve the amenity of the residents who live in proximity to the Hospital and will serve well both the staff and visitors to the hospital. The cladding you propose for this car park will greatly assist in integrating this building into what is essentially a residential area and alleviate previous concerns about the possible visual impact of such a significant and important infrastructure facility.

In conclusion it should be stated that Council is fully supportive of your proposals for the hospital upgrade and looks forward to working with you to fine tune the detail to ensure the greatest community benefit possible.

I also wish to confirm that facilitating the progression of this project is a priority for Council and we will work to ensure delays are minimised on matters within Council's control. I wish to assure you of Council's commitment to the provision of timely feedback and assistance to continue what Council regards as a constructive working relationship with Health Infrastructure NSW on this project.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any queries, concerns or to seek assistance from Council with progressing this project.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'L Walker', with a horizontal line drawn underneath the signature.

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