Determination under clause 7.9(2) of the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016

I, Sharon Molloy, Director Hunter Central Coast Branch, of the Office of Environment and Heritage, under clause 7.9(2) of the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016*, determine that the proposed development is not likely to have any significant impact on biodiversity values and therefore a Biodiversity Development Assessment Report (BDAR) **is not required**.

Proposed development means the development as described in Schedule 1. If the proposed development changes so that it is no longer consistent with this description, a further request to waive the requirement for a BDAR must be lodged or a BDAR prepared.

If you do not lodge the development application related to this determination for the proposed development within 2 years of the issue date of this determination, you must either prepare a BDAR or lodge a new request to have the BDAR requirement waived.

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25/02/2019

Date

Sharon Molloy Hunter Central Coast Branch Office of Environment and Heritage

SCHEDULE 1 – Description of the proposed development

Nihon University Newcastle Campus – SSD 9787 - 9 Church Street, Newcastle

The proposed development of the Newcastle Nihon University campus and associated 109 bed student accommodation will involve the adaptive reuse of the State listed heritage building known as the Courthouse and will comprise the following elements:

- demolition of the Administration Building (east wing) and Supreme Court Building (west wing)
- change of use and minor internal alterations to the former Courthouse to a 'Community Building' to be utilised by both students and the general public for educational purposes
- construction of two new 4-storey buildings consisting of a 109 bed 'Residential Building' (east wing) and 'Education Building' (west wing)
- service vehicle access from Church Street along an existing eastern boundary driveway
- ground level car parking and
- associated ground and rooftop landscaping.





KEY Subject site Cadastral boundary

Site surrounds

Biodiversity development assessment Figure 1



Source: EMM (2019); DF5I (2017); GA (2011)