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NSW Department of Planning, Industry & the Environment 320 Pitt St,
SYDNEY NSW 2000

Information submitted via the NSW Department of Planning Major Projects Website

To whomever it may concern,

Re: Application number SSD-10354

Please find below our submission regarding the above referenced Application currently on the major projects website for review and feedback.

The Royal Agricultural Society of NSW (RAS) are located at Sydney Showground, Sydney Olympic Park, and will be a neighbour of the proposed development at Sydney Olympic Park (SOP) and is delighted to provide this submission of support for the proposal. Amongst other facilities at Sydney Showground, SOP, the RAS operates Sydney Showground Stadium, home of the Sydney Thunder Big Bash League cricket team, the GWS Giants AFL team and host for five matches in the 2020 T20 Women's Cricket World Cup amongst other events including elements of the annual Sydney Royal Easter Show.

SOP is the premium events precinct in NSW and, as such is the ideal precinct within which to construct the proposed new cricket centre of excellence that will be of such benefit to the community and not just for elite cricketers. In our experience with Cricket NSW, they are very community-focussed and growing the game at a community level is a core part of what they do.

Notwithstanding the specific design and other qualification criteria required to enable the department to provide a positive assessment of the application, the department should have no hesitation in approving the application for its appropriateness at SOP. In addition, the RAS endorses the preferred master plan as the proponent, CNSW will understand their requirements and the best solution to satisfy them far better than any other organisation or advisor.

Thank you for your attention, should you require any further information or need to make contact with us regarding this matter please contact RAS Head of Project Development, Jonathan Seward on 9704 1281 or at jeeward@rasnsw.com.au.

Yours faithfully

Brock Gilmour Chief Executive

