

Notice of decision – Glebe Island Silos Telecommunications Upgrade

Section 2.22 and clause 20 of Schedule 1 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*

Application type	Development Application
Application number and project name	DA 22/9116 (PAN-235873)
Applicant	Service Stream Mobile Communications Pty Ltd
Consent Authority	Minister for Planning

Decision

The Director under delegation from the Minister for Planning has, under s.4.16 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (**the Act**) granted consent to the development application subject to the recommended conditions.

A copy of the development consent and conditions is available [here](#).

A copy of the Department of Planning and Environment's Assessment Report is available [here](#).

Date of decision

19 December 2022

Reasons for decision

The following matters were taken into consideration in making this decision:

- the relevant matters listed in section 4.15 of the Act and the additional matters listed in the statutory context section of the Department's Assessment Report;
- the prescribed matters under the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021*;
- the objects of the Act;
- all information submitted to the Department during the assessment of the development application;
- the findings and recommendations in the Department's Assessment Report; and
- the views of the community about the project (see **Attachment 1**).

The findings and recommendations set out in the Department's Assessment Report were accepted and adopted as the reasons for making this decision.

The key reasons for granting consent to the development application are as follows:

- the project is permissible with development consent under the State Environmental Planning Policy (Precincts – Eastern Harbour City) 2021 (SEPP Eastern Harbour City) and is consistent with NSW Government strategic policies by supporting the ongoing operation of port and industrial uses in the surrounding area, as well as existing nearby residential areas and potential future development as part of the Bays Precinct;
- the impacts on the community and the environment can be appropriately minimised, managed or offset to an acceptable level, in accordance with applicable NSW Government policies and standards;
- the issues raised in submissions have been considered and adequately addressed through the project and the recommended conditions of consent; and
- weighing all relevant considerations, the project is in the public interest.

- **Attachment 1 – Consideration of Community Views**

The Department exhibited the Development Application for the project, including the Statement of Environmental Effects from 6 September and 19 September 2022 (14 days). No issues were raised by the community and no public submissions were received during the exhibition period. Comments were received from City of Sydney Council and the NSW Port Authority.

The key issues considered in the Department's Assessment Report and by the decision maker include visual impacts, heritage impacts, and electromagnetic energy emissions. Other issues are addressed in detail in the Department's Assessment Report.

<i>Issue</i>	<i>Consideration</i>
<p><i>Council comment:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any works that are visible from the public domain should be made of a colour that minimises any visual impacts on the surrounding area. 	<p><i>Assessment:</i></p> <p>The external materials and finishes used for the proposed upgrades will be compatible with the existing mobile base station. The replacement antenna's will be a light grey to match the existing building.</p> <p>The Department considers the visual impacts to be acceptable.</p> <p><i>Recommendation:</i></p> <p>No conditions are recommended.</p>