

# Statement of Environmental Effects

# 335 Homer Street, Earlwood Lot A on DP101536

Extension to Hours of Operation and Signage associated with a Recreation Facility (Indoor)

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#### 1.0 SUMMARY

This Statement of Environmental Effects has been prepared by Plan A Town Planning Pty Ltd on behalf of Twiyo Active to accompany an application to The City of Canterbury Bankstown for the purpose of extensions to hours of operation and signage associated with a lawfully established Recreation Facility (Indoor) at 335 Homer Street, Earlwood described as Lot A on DP101536.

The Applicant is seeking consent from Council pursuant to Part 4 of the *Environmental Planning and* Assessment Act 1979 for an extension to the hours of operation and advertising devices associated with a Recreation Facility (Indoor) which established under a Complying Development Certificate (CF25192CD01)

Council's mapping indicates that the site is located within the E1 – Local Centre Zone.

It is noted that under the *State Environmental Planning Policy (Exempt and Complying Development Codes)* 2008, uses are permitted to operate during the hours of 6am to 10pm where complying with the Noise Policy.

This application seeks development consent from Council to extend these hours of operation and install associated signage. Specifically, the proposal seeks to extend the hours of operation by 1 hour to commence from 5am.

The proposal involves the installation of various Business Identification Signs and decals including:

- 1 Illuminated Double Sided Under Awning Sign
- 1 Non-Illuminated Awning Fascia Sign
- 1 Illuminated Top Hamper Sign
- 1 Painted Parapet Sign

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• Various Non-Illuminated Window Signs & Vinal Decals

The Recreation Facility (Indoor) is for a class-based gym. Each session is coach-led and runs with a programmed structure focused on strength, conditioning, and functional movement. The proposal does not involve unsupervised or free use of the gym.

A maximum of 25 patrons will apply to the 5am session. Sessions will be for a duration of 50 minutes. Noise is to be managed in accordance with the relevant policies and submitted acoustic reporting. Music is to be kept at a low volume and workouts are to be conducted entirely indoors. Doors are to remain closed and members are instructed to arrive quietly and not congregate outside the premises.

Overall, it is considered that the proposed hours of operation and signage are consistent with the desired outcomes for the zone. The proposal is located within an existing commercial premises and will integrate well with the existing tenants in the immediate area which are largely commercial and mixed use. The proposal is supported by the attached Acoustic Impact Assessment prepared by Acoustic Dynamics.

Further, the proposed signage has been designed to have a clutter-free appearance and will maintain a positive contribution to the streetscape.

The proposal is not considered to significantly impact on adjoining properties and is considered appropriate for the site and the relevant zoning.

This report addresses all the required matters set out in clause 4.15(1) of the Act including The Canterbury-Bankstown Local Environmental Plan 2023, the Canterbury-Bankstown Development Control Plan 2023 and other relevant matters to enable Council as the consent authority to assess the proposal in accordance with the *Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979*.

The information contained in this report demonstrates compliance with the relevant planning criteria and the proposal's suitability for the site.

On the basis of the above, it is considered sufficient planning grounds exist to warrant the proposal and the Application is recommended for Consent.

# 2.0 APPLICATION DETAILS

# 2.1 SITE DETAILS

SITE DETAILS		
Site Address 335 Homer Street, Earlwood		
RPD	Lot A on DP101536	
Current Land Use Recreation Facility (Indoor)		
Local Government	City of Canterbury-Bankstown	
Local Environmental Plan Canterbury-Bankstown Local Environmental Plan 2023		
Development Control Plan	Canterbury-Bankstown Development Control Plan 2023	
Zoning	E1 – Local Centre	
Planning Controls	Height of Building – 18m Acid Sulfate Soils – Class 5 Local Provisions – Area 2	

# 2.2 APPLICATION DETAILS

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Description of Approval Sought	Consent for the purpose of extensions to hours of operation and signage associated with a Recreation Facility (Indoor)	
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File Reference	25-160	

# 2.3 SITE ANALYSIS

Site Description			
Site History	The site has been previously developed for commercial purposes and the Recreation Facility (Indoor) has lawfully established by way of a Complying Development Certificate (CF25192CD01). This relates to operations of the gym from 6am to 10pm under the State Environmental Planning Policy (Exempt and Complying Development Codes) 2008.		
Topography	The site is generally flat.		
Shape of the Site	The site is rectangular in shape		
Street Frontage	The lot has frontages to Homer Street and Homer Lane.		
Surrounding Land Use	The site is located in an established mixed-use area and is surrounded by predominantly commercial and residential uses.		
Vegetation	The site does not contain any significant vegetation.		

The below aerial photo extract that shows the location of the site.



Figure 1. Aerial photo of subject site (Source: Nearmap)



# 3.0 TOWN PLANNING STATUTORY CONSIDERATIONS

#### 3.1 ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING & ASSESSMENT ACT 1979

Development is defined in Part 1, clause 1.5 of the *Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979* (**EP&A Act**) as follows.

(1) For the purposes of this Act, development is any of the following-

- (a) the use of land,
- (b) the subdivision of land,
- (c) the erection of a building,
- (d) the carrying out of a work,
- (e) the demolition of a building or work,
- (f) any other act, matter or thing that may be controlled by an environmental planning instrument

On the basis that the proposal involves the use of land (hours of operation), and the carrying out of works (signage installation) it is considered that the proposal is consistent with the definition of 'development'.

Part 4 of the EP&A Act outlines the requirements for development and to obtain consent. The relevant consent authority in this instance is the City of Canterbury-Bankstown.

Clause 4.15 of the Act prescribes the following matters that a consent authority is to consider when determining a development application.

#### 4.15 Evaluation(cf previous s 79C)

#### (1) Matters for consideration—general

In determining a development application, a consent authority is to take into consideration such of the following matters as are of relevance to the development the subject of the development application—

- (a) the provisions of-
  - (i) any environmental planning instrument, and
  - (ii) any proposed instrument that is or has been the subject of public consultation under this Act and that has been notified to the consent authority (unless the Planning Secretary has notified the consent authority that the making of the proposed instrument has been deferred indefinitely or has not been approved), and
  - (iii) any development control plan, and
  - (iiia) any planning agreement that has been entered into under section 7.4, or any draft planning agreement that a developer has offered to enter into under section 7.4, and
  - (iv) the regulations (to the extent that they prescribe matters for the purposes of this paragraph),(v) (Repealed)
  - that apply to the land to which the development application relates,
- (b) the likely impacts of that development, including environmental impacts on both the natural and built environments, and social and economic impacts in the locality,
- (c) the suitability of the site for the development,
- (d) any submissions made in accordance with this Act or the regulations,
- (e) the public interest.

This Statement of Environmental Effects has been prepared to demonstrate that the proposal appropriately addresses the above such that consent can be granted. In particular, clause 4.15(1)(a) is addressed in Section 4 and clauses 4.15(1)(b) to (e) are addressed in Section 6.

# 4.0 ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING INSTRUMENTS

# 4.1 STATE ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING POLICIES (SEPP)

The following State Environmental Planning Policies have been identified as being relevant environmental planning instruments that apply to the site. This section includes an assessment against these SEPP.

State Environmental Planning Policy (Biodiversity and Conservation) 2021: Excluded (pub. 21-10-2022)	<b>NOT APPLICABLE</b> The proposal is to be located within an existing building and will not impact on biodiversity or conservation values.
State Environmental Planning Policy (Biodiversity and Conservation) 2021: Land Application (pub. 2-12- 2021)	<b>NOT APPLICABLE</b> The proposal is to be located within an existing building and will not impact on biodiversity or conservation values.
State Environmental Planning Policy (Exempt and Complying Development Codes) 2008: Land Application (pub. 12-12-2008)	NOT APPLICABLE Refer section 4.1.1 below.
State Environmental Planning Policy (Housing) 2021: Land Application (pub. 26-11-2021)	<b>NOT APPLICABLE</b> The proposal does not involve housing.
State Environmental Planning Policy (Industry and Employment) 2021: Land Application (pub. 2-12-2021)	<b>NOT APPLICABLE</b> The site is not located in the Western Sydney Employment Area.
State Environmental Planning Policy (Planning Systems) 2021: Land Application (pub. 2-12-2021)	<b>NOT APPLICABLE</b> The proposal does not involve state or regionally significant development.
State Environmental Planning Policy (Primary Production) 2021: Land Application (pub. 2-12-2021)	<b>NOT APPLICABLE</b> The proposal does not involve primary production or rural development.
State Environmental Planning Policy (Resilience and Hazards) 2021: Land Application (pub. 2-12-2021)	<b>NOT APPLICABLE</b> The proposal does not involve coastal management, hazardous or offensive development or land remediation.
State Environmental Planning Policy (Resources and Energy) 2021: Land Application (pub. 2-12-2021)	<b>NOT APPLICABLE</b> The proposal does not involve mining, petroleum production and extractive industries.
State Environmental Planning Policy (Sustainable Buildings) 2022: Land Application (pub. 29-8-2022)	<b>NOT APPLICABLE</b> The proposal is to be located within an existing tenancy and will not alter building sustainability.
State Environmental Planning Policy (Transport and Infrastructure) 2021: Land Application (pub. 2-12- 2021)	<b>NOT APPLICABLE</b> The proposal does not involve transport or infrastructure.



# 4.1.1 State Environmental Planning Policy (Exempt and Complying Development Codes) 2008

The State Environmental Planning Policy (Exempt and Complying Development Codes) 2008 is the relevant NSW State Government policy for exempt and complying development.

It is noted that under the Exempt Development criteria within the SEPP, uses in the E1 Zone are permitted to operate during the hours of 6am to 10pm where complying with the Noise Policy.

As the proposal seeks to extend these lawful hours to commence at 5am, and install various signage, Council consent is required.

#### 4.2 CANTERBURY-BANKSTOWN LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN 2023

The Canterbury-Bankstown Local Environmental Plan 2023 (**LEP**') has been identified as one of the relevant environmental planning instruments that apply to the site. This section includes an assessment against the relevant provisions of the LEP.

#### 4.2.1 Land Use Definition

The proposal is for extension to hours of operation and installation of signage associated with a lawfully established Recreation Facility (Indoor). The use is consistent with the following definition under the LEP.

"**recreation facility (indoor)** means a building or place used predominantly for indoor recreation, whether or not operated for the purposes of gain, including a squash court, indoor swimming pool, gymnasium, table tennis centre, health studio, bowling alley, ice rink or any other building or place of a like character used for indoor recreation, but does not include an entertainment facility, a recreation facility (major) or a registered club."

# 4.2.2 Site Zoning

The site is located within the E1 Local Centre Zone of the LEP.

The objectives of this zone are listed as follows:

- To provide a range of retail, business and community uses that serve the needs of people who live in, work in or visit the area.
- To encourage investment in local commercial development that generates employment opportunities and economic growth.
- To enable residential development that contributes to a vibrant and active local centre and is consistent with the Council's strategic planning for residential development in the area.
- To encourage business, retail, community and other non-residential land uses on the ground floor of buildings.
- To encourage employment opportunities in accessible locations.
- To maximise public transport patronage and encourage walking and cycling.
- To promote a high standard of urban design and local amenity.
- To ensure that new development provides diverse and active street frontages to attract pedestrian traffic and to contribute to vibrant, diverse and functional streets and public spaces.

#### **RESPONSE – COMPLIES**

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The proposal complies with the objectives of the E1 Local Centre Zone. The proposal is for extensions to hours of operation and signage associated with a Recreation Facility (Indoor) which serves the local community and contributes to new employment opportunities and economic growth.

The proposed hours of operation are considered appropriate given the context of the area. The proposal is adequately separated from sensitive uses and the proposed one-hour extension to hours of operation would not

have any adverse impacts on adjoining properties. Further, we note the proposal is consistent with existing development in the area and as such we consider the one-hour extension to hours of operation to facilitate 5am commencement to be appropriate. The proposal is supported by the attached Acoustic Impact Assessment prepared by Acoustic Dynamics.





Figure 2. Zoning map showing context of subject site.

#### 4.2.3 Height of Building

Not applicable. The proposal will not alter the existing building height.

#### 4.2.4 Floor Space Ratio

Not applicable. The proposal will not alter the existing floor space ratio.

#### 4.2.5 Minimum Lot Size

Not applicable. The proposal will not alter the existing lot size.

#### 4.2.6 Heritage

Not applicable. The site is not identified as being heritage listed.

# 4.2.7 Land Reservation Acquisition

Not applicable. The site is not identified as being subject to any land reservation acquisition.

# 4.2.8 Foreshore Building Line

Not applicable. The site is not identified as being subject to a foreshore building line.

# 4.2.9 Acid Sulfate Soils

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The site is subject to Class 5 Acid Sulfate Soils, however the proposal involves reuse of an existing building and



does not involve filling or excavation.

#### 4.2.10 Local Provisions

The site is subject to the Local Provisions planning control. It is noted that the proposal involves reuse of an existing building for a Recreation Facility (Indoor) which is considered not to be restricted in Area 2.

# 5.0 CANTERBURY-BANKSTOWN DEVELOPMENT CONTROL PLAN 2023

The Canterbury-Bankstown Development Control Plan 2023 ('**DCP**') has been identified as the relevant development control plan that applies to the site. This section includes an assessment against the relevant provisions of the DCP.

Following a review of the DCP, we understand that the following chapters may be relevant to the proposal:

#### Chapter 3 – General Requirements – 3.6 Signs

- Section 2 Location and Design
  - 2.2 2.4 Signs in Zones E1, E2 and MU1
  - 2.8 Prohibited Signs
  - 2.9 2.16 Design
- Section 3 Illumination and Reflectance
  - 3.1 Illumination and Reflective Criteria for Non-Digital Signs

#### **Chapter 7 Commercial Centres**

- Section 9 General Design and Amenity
  - 9.21 Development Adjacent to Residential Zones

We provide an assessment against the relevant assessment benchmarks within these chapters as follows.

#### **CHAPTER 3 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS – 3.6 SIGNS**

#### **Objectives**

- (1) To ensure signs are compatible with the desired amenity and visual character of the locality.
- (2) To ensure signs are compatible with the development on which it is displayed.
- (3) To ensure development does not lead to visual clutter through the proliferation of signs and displays.
- (4) To ensure signs contribute to the safety, legibility and amenity of Canterbury-Bankstown.

#### **RESPONSE – COMPLIES**

The proposed signage is designed to be compatible with the tenancy and integrates well with signage in the surrounding Local Centre area. The number, size, shape, illumination, and colour of the signage are consistent with signage in the streetscape.

Development Controls	Response	
Signs in Zones E1, E2 and MU1		
C2.2	C2.2 Complies	
Business and building identification signs must	The proposed business identification signs are	
integrate with the building form and architectural	generally consistent with the existing sign	
features of the building to which the signs are	arrangements and as such will integrate with the	
attached as follows:	existing building.	



(a)	The total sign area must not exceed 0.5m <sup>2</sup> for	It is noted that the parapet sign is painted and as		
	each metre of the primary street frontage.	such will no protrude or present as disproportionate		
(b)	Awning fascia signs, top hamper signs, under	to the street. The proposed signage is		
	awning signs and window signs are permissible	complementary to the existing building and generally		
	at or below the awning level. Where there is no	complies with the prescribed total sign area.		
	awning to the building, signs are solely permitted			
	below the window sill of the second storey	The signs and vinyls located on the windows at the		
	windows.	building's frontage are not proposed to take up over		
(c)	A maximum of one under awning sign is	25% of the window.		
	permitted for each ground floor tenancy.			
(d)	Window signs must not obscure more than 25%	Additionally, the parapet sign is located above the		
	of the window area.	awning on the building façade facing the street.		
(e)	Parapet signs and individual laser cut lettering			
	applied to the facade are permissible above the			
	awning level.			
C2.3		C2.3 Not Applicable		
Council does not permit signs above the parapet of		Signs are not proposed above the parapet of a		
the podium level.		podium level.		
C2.4		C2.4 Not Applicable		
Pylon signs will only be considered on sites with large		The proposed signage for the Recreation Facility		
street frontages occupied by uses such as services		(Indoor) does not involve the use of pylon signs.		
stations, large take away food and drink premises				
and	retail complexes.			
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Figure 2a: Signs in Zones E1, E2 and MU1

Prohibited Signs				
C2.8		2.8 Complies		
Council prohibits the following signs:		The proposed signs do not extend over street		
(a) flashing signs, flashing lights, signs which		boundaries and are all fixed to the site. Additionally,		
incorporate devices which change colour, a sign		n the signs do not incorporate flashing lights, lights that		
	where movement can be recognised by a	change colour or signs that move. The proposal		
passing motorist;		involves low-intensity lightbox illuminated signage		
(b)	signs that extend over street boundaries, other	which will be appropriately incorporated into the		



than those permitted in conjunction with shops,	façade and compatible with the streetscape. Further,				
or the like, where such buildings are erected on	the proposed signs will not adversely affect existing				
the street alignment;	traffic lights within the streetscape.				
(c) signs which would adversely affect existing	traine lights within the streetscape.				
traffic lights;					
(d) signs which are not permanently fixed to the site;					
(e) signs made of canvas, calico or the like. Design					
C2.9	C2.9 Complies				
Corporate colours, logos and other graphics must	The colours of the proposed signs correlate with the				
achieve a high degree of compatibility with the	logos and colours of the gym. These colours have a				
architecture, materials, finishes and colours of the	high compatibility with the materials and finishes of				
building and streetscape.	the Recreation Facility.				
C2.10	C2.10 Complies				
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Building identification signs and business	The proposed painted building and business				
identification signs that are painted or attached to a	identification signs for the development do not screen				
building must not screen windows and other	windows or other key architectural features of the				
significant architectural features of the building.	building.				
C2.11	C2.11 Complies				
Signs are not to dominate in terms of scale, number,	The signs are not proposed to dominate the scale or				
proportion and form or any other attributes.	proportion of the development.				
C2.12	C2.12 Complies				
The amount of signs may be limited due to the	The proposed Signage is not considered to have an				
cumulative impact on a locality or a building.	adverse cumulative impact on the building or locality.				
C2.13	C2.13 Complies				
The design and place of signs are not to adversely	There are no proposed signs which will adversely				
impact on the amenity of residential sites.	affect the amenity of residential sites. Additionally,				
	there are no proposed signs that orientate toward				
	residential sites.				
C2.14	C2.14 Complies				
Signs are to be designed for easy maintenance.	The signs are able to be easily cleaned and				
	maintained by the business.				
C2.15	C2.15 Complies				
Development must remove signs that are no longer	All existing signs will be removed to avoid				
necessary or unsightly to avoid clutter.	unnecessary clutter on the building facade.				
C2.16	2.16				
Signs are not to include offensive or objectionable	The proposed signage for the Recreation Facility				
material in the content of an advertisement (such as	does not include offensive or harmful material such				
discriminatory messages, promotion of unlawful or	as discrimination or offensive language. The				
anti-social behaviour, encouraging excessive	proposed signage is for business identification				
consumption of alcohol, pornography, or offensive	signage.				
language).					
Illumination and Reflectance Criteria for Non-Digita					
C3.1	C3.1 Complies				
The following criteria apply to non-digital illuminated	The proposed Under Awning Sign is to be illuminated				
signs illuminated by fluorescent and/or incandescent	and will comply with the luminance requirements				
bulbs whether internally illuminated or lit from the	listed within Table 3a.				
exterior:					

(a)	Signs must comply with the luminance			
	requirements in Table 3a.			

- (b) For night time use, signs (whether internally illuminated or lit from its exterior) must not cast a shadow on areas that were previously lit and that have a special lighting requirement, e.g. pedestrian crossings.
- (c) The light sources for illuminated signs must focus solely on the sign and:
  - (i) be shielded so that glare does not extend beyond the sign
  - (ii) with the exception of back lit neon signs, have no light source visible to passing motorists with a light output greater than that of a 15W fluorescent/ LED bulb.
- (d) The level of reflectance of a sign, and its content, is not to exceed the 'minimum coefficients of Luminous intensity per unit area for Class 2A material', as set out in the Australian Standard AS/NZS 1906.1, Retroreflective materials and devices for road traffic control purposes will not be approved.

lluminated Area (sqm)	Zone 1	Zone 2	Zone 3	Zone 4	Zone 5
		(cd/sqm)	(cd/sqm)	(cd/sqm)	
up to 0.5	no limit	2900	2000	1000	no limit
0.5 to 2.0		2300	1600	800	
2.0 to 5.0		2000	1200	600	
5.0 to 10.0		1500	1000	600	
over 10.0		1200	800	400	

The light from this sign will not cast light upon areas with required specifications such as pedestrian crossings, and additionally will not produce undue glare or light output which is visible to motorists. This light will be limited to utilising lighting which does not provide a greater output than an 15W fluorescent/LED bulb.

Materials for this sign will not provide reflectance which exceeds the 'minimum coefficients of Luminous intensity per unit area for Class 2A material', as set out in the Australian Standard AS/NZS 1906.1.

# CHAPTER 7 COMMERICAL CENTRES – 7.1 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

#### Objectives

- (1) To ensure development is compatible with the centres hierarchy and desired character of the centres.
- (2) To promote good design and amenity of the built environment.
- (3) To enhance the amenity for people who work in, live in and visit the centres.
- (4) To facilitate ecologically sustainable development.
- (5) To provide a high quality and activated public domain with good solar access.

#### **RESPONSE – COMPLIES**

The proposal is for signage and a change to hours of operation for a Recreation Facility. The proposed signage does not negatively affect the amenity of the Local Centre and enhances the design of the streetscape. The change in hours of operation do not provide adverse impacts upon the adjacent residential zones as displayed within the Acoustic Impact Assessment prepared by Acoustic Dynamics.

#### Section 9 – General Design and Amenity

- (1) To provide adequate amenity and landscape opportunities.
- (2) To meet the changing needs of residents throughout their lifetime and to better enable residents to age-inplace.
- (3) To ensure dwellings are easy to enter, easy to navigate in and around, and be capable of easy and costeffective adaption.



- (4) To ensure that a change of use from a dwelling in a residential flat building or shop top housing to a serviced apartment does not impact on the amenity, safety or security of residents in the building.
- (5) To prevent substandard residential building design by way of converted serviced apartment development.
- (6) To ensure front fences contribute to an attractive streetscape.
- (7) To ensure the siting and design of buildings contribute to the personal and property security of people.
- (8) To encourage building designs, materials and maintenance programs that reduce the opportunities for vandalism and graffiti.
- (9) To mitigate potential noise impacts between noise generating uses and dwellings in shop top housing and mixed use development.
- (10) To ensure development is compatible with the prevailing suburban character and amenity of neighbouring residential areas.
- (11) To ensure development contribute to a high quality streetscape.
- (12) To minimise visual clutter in the streetscape associated with overhead infrastructure.

#### **RESPONSE – COMPLIES**

The proposal utilises signs that do not clutter the building facade and positively contributes to the character of the businesses within the streetscape. The Acoustic Impact Assessment prepared by Acoustic Dynamics outlines how changing the hours of operation will not adversely impact upon the adjacent residential uses.

Cor	ntrols	Response			
Dev	Development Adjacent to Residential Zones				
C9.21		C9.21 Complies			
In d	etermining an application that relates to a site	The application is for signage and an additional hour			
adjo	pining land in Zone R2, R3 or R4, Council must	of operation at 335 Homer Street, Earlwood. The			
take	into consideration the following matters:	signage will not impact upon the adjacent residential			
(a)	whether any proposed building is compatible	zones.			
	with the height, scale, siting and character of				
	existing residential development within the	The application is accompanied by an Acoustic			
	adjoining residential zone;	Impact Assessment prepared by Acoustic Dynamics			
(b)	whether any goods, plant, equipment and other	which demonstrates that the change in hours of			
	material used in carrying out the proposed	operation will not nuisance adjacent residential			
	development will be stored or suitably screened	dwellings.			
	from residential development;				
(c)	whether the proposed development will maintain				
	reasonable solar access to residential				
	development between the hours of 8.00am and				
	4.00pm at the midwinter solstice;				
(d)	whether noise generation from fixed sources or				
	motor vehicles associated with the proposed				
	development will be effectively insulated or				
	otherwise minimised;				
(e)	whether the proposed development will				
	otherwise cause nuisance to residents by way of				
	noise, hours of operation, traffic movement,				
	parking, headlight glare, security lighting, fumes,				
(1)	gases, smoke, dust or odours, or the like; and				
(f)	whether any windows or balconies facing				
	residential areas will be treated to avoid				
	overlooking of private yard space or windows in				
	residences.				



# 6.0 ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

Clause 4.15(1)((b) to (f) of the Act set out the matters a consent authority must consider when assessing a development application. These include, matters relating to the likely impacts of the development on both the natural and built environments, any social and economic impacts in the locality and whether the site is suitable for the proposed use. These matters form the key planning issues for assessment and are addressed below.

# 4.1 Likely impacts of development – cl. 4.15(1)(b)

Clause 4.15(1)(b) prescribes that a development must be assessed against "the likely impacts of that development, including environmental impacts on both the natural and built environments, and social and economic impacts in the locality".

The proposal involves a lawfully established Recreation Facility (Indoor) within an existing premises that was previously developed for commercial purposes. The proposed extension to operating hours and signage will have no adverse impact on the natural or built environments.

The proposal further will not have any adverse social or economic impacts in the locality. The proposal merely seeks to extend the lawful operating hours of a Recreation Facility (Indoor) by one hour to commence from 5am and install associated Business Identification signage.

As detailed throughout this report, the proposal involves a use that is consistent with the uses envisaged for the relevant zoning and is located within an established mixed-use area. The Recreation Facility (Indoor) directly serves the local community and contributes to new employment opportunities and economic growth.

The proposed hours of operation and signage are considered appropriate given the context of the area and the approved development onsite, being a commercial premises.

The proposal is adequately separated from sensitive uses and the proposed hours of operation would not have any adverse impacts on adjoining properties. The proposal is supported by the Acoustic Impact Assessment prepared by Acoustic Dynamics.

# 4.2 Site suitability – cl 4.15(1)(c)

The proposal complies with the objectives of the E1 Local Centre Zone.

The proposal is for extensions to hours of operation and signage associated with a lawfully established Recreation Facility (Indoor), which is a use that is permissible with consent in the E1 Local Centre Zone. The proposal is located in an area with mixed uses and will not adversely impact nearby or adjoining uses.

### 4.3 Submissions – cl 4.15(1)(d)

Consideration will be given to any submissions made as a result of Council's consultation and notification processes.

# 4.4 Public interest – cl 4.15(1)(e)

As detailed throughout this report, the proposed extension to operating hours and signage will not have any adverse impacts on public interest as the use is lawfully operating and consistent with the relevant zoning of the site. The proposal is in an area with mixed uses and is consistent with the nature of surrounding development.



# 7.0 CONCLUSION

The proposal seeks Council's consent for the purpose of extensions to hours of operation and signage associated with a Recreation Facility (Indoor) at 335 Homer Street, Earlwood.

The proposal has been assessed against the relevant provisions within the City of Canterbury-Bankstown Local Environmental Plan 2023, City of Canterbury-Bankstown Development Control Plan 2023 and the relevant New South Wales State Government provisions and requirements.

This Statement of Environmental Effects has demonstrated in accordance with clause 4.15(1) of the Act that the proposal:

- generally complies with the relevant environmental planning instruments, development control plan and regulations as relevant to the proposal;
- will not have any adverse impacts on the built environment, being within an existing premises and associated with a lawfully established use;
- will not have any adverse social or economic impacts in the locality;
- involves a site that is suitable for the development, being within a commercial area; and
- will not conflict with matters of public interest.

The assessment has demonstrated that the proposed hours of operation and signage are appropriate for the site and will not adversely impact the operation of existing uses in the surrounding area.

The proposal considers the relevant environmental factors and incorporates appropriate measures to limit any environmental impacts.

On the basis of the above, it is considered sufficient planning grounds exist to warrant the proposal and the application is recommended for consent.



#### 8.0 APPENDICES

Architectural Plans prepared by VECA Group

Acoustic Impact Assessment prepared by Acoustic Dynamics

Signed Owner's Consent

**NSW Title Searches** 

**Cost of Works Estimate** 

**ASICs Search** 

**Neighbour Notification Plans** 

Signage Schedule



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