

GOVERNMENT ARCHITECT NEW SOUTH WALES

28 April 2022

Gavin Cherry
Development Assessment
Coordinator
Penrith City Council

RE: Design Excellence Competition Waiver, 614 – 632 High Street Penrith

Dear Gavin

I am writing regarding DA20/0167, a development application for the construction of a part 7 storey and part 46 storey mixed use development located at 614 - 632 High Street, Penrith.

This letter is provided to Penrith City Council to confirm that in my role as Government Architect, as delegate of the Secretary, I certify that an architectural design competition is not required for this development under clause 8.4(4) of *Penrith Local Environmental Plan 2010*.

The project was the winner of a Design Excellence Competition prior to changes to the LEP allowing additional height and GFA. On three occasions (May 17, June 20 and August 22, 2019) the design and development team presented their updated scheme to a panel comprising Rory Toomey for GANSW, Brett Newbold for Penrith City Council and Steve Kennedy for the proponent. This panel unanimously agreed the amended scheme retained and further developed the design excellence awarded to the competition winning proposal.

The same design review panel will be retained through all future stages of the project to ensure design excellence is maintained.

Please contact Rory Toomey, GANSW Principal Design Advisor or myself if you have any queries regarding this advice.

Sincerely



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