# **Deed of Novation**

Willoughby City Council

DPG Project 17 Pty Ltd ACN 606 131 720

LFD Chatswood Pty Ltd ACN 623 368 025 as trustee for LFD Chatswood Unit Trust

## **Deed of Novation**

Dated 3/5/2023.

## **Parties**

- Willoughby City Council ABN 47 974 826 099 of Level 4, 31 Victor Street, Chatswood, NSW 2067 (Council)
- DPG Project 17 Pty Ltd ACN 606 131 720 of Suite 1003, Level 10, 97-99 Bathurst Street, Sydney, NSW 2000 (Existing Developer)
- LFD Chatswood Pty Ltd ACN 623 368 025 as trustee for LFD Chatswood Unit Trust of Shop 1, 466 Liverpool Road, Strathfield South NSW 2136 (New Developer)

## Background

- A. The Council and the Existing Developer have entered into the Agreement.
- B. The Existing Developer has transferred its rights to become the owner of the land in lots 1 to 15 inclusive in strata plan 57091 to the New Developer.
- C. The Existing Developer has agreed to transfer the Rights and Obligations to the New Developer.
- D. The Council has consented to the transfer of the Existing Developer's Rights and Obligations to the New Developer and those parties have agreed to enter into this Deed to give effect to their common intentions.

## Operative provisions

## 1. Defined meanings

Words used in this Agreement and the rules of interpretation that apply are set out and explained in the definitions and interpretation clause at the back of this Agreement.

## 2. Novation

With effect on and from the Effective Date:

- (a) The New Developer is substituted for the Existing Developer under the Agreement as if the New Developer had originally been a party to the Agreement instead of the Existing Developer and all references in the Agreement to the Existing Developer in any capacity must be read and construed as if they were references to the New Developer; and
- (b) The New Developer is bound by, and must comply with, the provisions of the Agreement and the obligations imposed on the Existing Developer by the Agreement and the New Developer enjoys all the rights and benefits of the Existing Developer under the Agreement (even if an obligation, right or benefit, arose or accrued before the Effective Date).

## 3. Consent

With effect on and from the Effective Date, the Council:

- (a) consents to the New Developer being substituted for Existing Developer on the terms outlined at clause 2 of this Deed;
- (b) accepts the assumptions by the New Developer of all the liabilities of the Existing Developer under the Agreement instead of those liabilities being liabilities of the Existing Developer; and
- (c) agrees to be bound by the terms of the Agreement in every way as if the New Developer were a party to the Agreement instead of the Existing Developer.

## 4. Release and Indemnity

## 4.1 Release and Discharge (the Council)

On and from the Effective Date, the Council releases the Existing Developer from all Rights and Obligations and from all Claims that they may have against the Existing Developer under or in respect of the Agreement.

### 4.2 Release and Discharge (the Existing Developer)

On and from the Effective Date, the Existing Developer releases the Council from all their obligations under the Agreement and from all Claims that it may have against the Council under or in respect of the Agreement.

#### 4.3 Indemnity

On and from the Effective Date, the New Developer indemnifies the Existing Developer from and against all Liabilities and Claims that it may have against the Existing Developer in respect of the Agreement.

## 5. Representations and Warranties

#### 5.1 Power

Both the Existing Developer and the New Developer represent and warrant to the Council and to each other that:

- (a) it is an individual or corporation validly existing under the laws of Australia;
- (b) if it is a corporation that it has the corporate power to enter into and perform its obligations under this Deed and has taken all necessary corporate action to authorise execution, delivery and performance of this Deed;
- this Deed is valid and binding upon it and is enforceable against it in accordance with its terms; and
- (d) if it is a corporation that no application or order has been made for the winding up or liquidation of it, no action has been taken to seize or take possession of any of its assets, there are no unsatisfied judgments against it and it is able to pay its debts as and when they come due and payable.

### 5.2 Reliance by the Council

The Existing Developer and the New Developer each acknowledge that the Council has entered into this Deed in reliance on the representations and warranties detailed in clause 5.1.

## 6. General provisions

### 6.1 Developer Costs

The Existing Developer and the New Developer must pay their own costs in relation to:

- the negotiation, preparation, execution, performance, amendment or registration of, or any consent given or made; and
- (b) the performance of any action by that party in compliance with any liability arising,

under this Deed, or any agreement or document executed or effected under this Deed, unless this Deed provides otherwise.

## 6.2 The Council's Costs

The Existing Developer and the New Developer are jointly and severally responsible for Council's reasonable costs in relation to this Deed.

### 6.3 GST

If any payment made by one party to any other party under or relating to this Deed constitutes consideration for a taxable supply for the purposes of GST or any similar tax, the amount to be paid for the supply will be increased so that the net amount retained by the supplier after payment of that GST is the same as if the supplier was not liable to pay GST in respect of that supply. This provision is subject to any other agreement regarding the payment of GST on specific supplies, and includes payments for supplies relating to the breach or termination of, and indemnities arising from, this Deed.

#### 6.4 Duties

- (a) The New Developer must promptly, within the initial applicable period prescribed by law, pay any duty payable in relation to the execution, performance and registration of this Deed, or any agreement or document executed or effected under this Deed.
- (b) The New Developer indemnifies Council and the Existing Developer against any loss incurred by any other party in relation to any duty specified in this provision, whether through default by the New Developer under this provision or otherwise.

## 6.5 Assignment

A party must not transfer any right or liability under this Deed without the prior consent of each other party, except where this Deed provides otherwise.

#### 6.6 Notices

(a) Any notice may be served by delivery in person or by post or transmission by facsimile to the address or number of the recipient specified in this provision or most recently notified by the recipient to the sender.

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- (b) Any notice to or by a party under this Deed must be in writing and signed by either:
  - the sender or, if a corporate party, an authorised officer of the sender; or
  - (ii) the party's solicitor.
- (c) Any notice is effective for the purposes of this Deed upon delivery to the recipient or production to the sender of a facsimile transmittal confirmation report before 4.00pm local time on a day in the place in or to which the written notice is delivered or sent or otherwise at 9.00am on the next day following delivery or receipt.

### 6.7 Governing law and jurisdiction

- (a) This Deed is governed by and construed under the law in the State of New South Wales.
- (b) Any legal action in relation to this Deed against any party or its property may be brought in any court of competent jurisdiction in the State of New South Wales.
- (c) Each party by execution of this Deed irrevocably, generally and unconditionally submits to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of any court specified in this provision in relation to both itself and its property.

#### 6.8 Amendments

Any amendment to this Deed has no force or effect, unless effected by a document executed by the parties.

#### 6.9 Third parties

This Deed confers rights only upon a person expressed to be a party, and not upon any other person.

#### 6.10 Pre-contractual negotiation

This Deed:

- expresses and incorporates the entire agreement between the parties in relation to its subject matter, and all the terms of that agreement; and
- (b) supersedes and excludes any prior or collateral negotiation, understanding, communication or agreement by or between the parties in relation to that subject matter or any term of that agreement.

#### 6.11 Further assurance

Each party must execute any document and perform any action necessary to give full effect to this Deed, whether before or after performance of this Deed.

### 6.12 Continuing performance

- (a) The provisions of this Deed do not merge with any action performed or document executed by any party for the purposes of performance of this Deed.
- (b) Any representation in this Deed survives the execution of any document for the purposes of, and continues after, performance of this Deed.
- (c) Any indemnity agreed by any party under this Deed:
  - constitutes a liability of that party separate and independent from any other liability of that party under this Deed or any other agreement;
     and
  - (ii) survives and continues after performance of this Deed.

## 6.13 Waivers

Any failure by any party to exercise any right under this Deed does not operate as awaiver and the single or partial exercise of any right by that party does not preclude any other or further exercise of that or any other right by that party.

#### 6.14 Remedies

The rights of a party under this Deed are cumulative and not exclusive of any rights provided by law.

#### 6.15 Severability

Any provision of this Deed which is invalid in any jurisdiction is invalid in that jurisdiction to that extent, without invalidating or affecting the remaining provisions of this Deed or the validity of that provision in any other jurisdiction.

### 6.16 Party acting as trustee

If a party enters into this Deed as trustee of a trust, that party and its successors as trustee of the trust will be liable under this Deed in its own right and as trustee of the trust. Nothing releases the party from any liability in its personal capacity. The party warrants that at the date of this Deed:

(a) all the powers and discretions conferred by the deed establishing the trust are capable of being validly exercised by the party as trustee and have not been

varied or revoked and the trust is a valid and subsisting trust;

- (b) the party is the sole trustee of the trust and has full and unfettered power under the terms of the deed establishing the trust to enter into and be bound by this Deed on behalf of the trust and that this Deed is being executed and entered into as part of the due and proper administration of the trust and for the benefit of the beneficiaries of the trust; and
- (c) no restriction on the party's right of indemnity out of or lien over the trust's assets exists or will be created or permitted to exist and that right will have priority over the right of the beneficiaries to the trust's assets.

## 7. Definitions and interpretation

#### 7.1 Definitions

In this Deed unless the context otherwise requires:

**Claims** includes actions, proceedings, suits, causes of action, arbitration, verdicts and judgments either at law or in equity or arising under a statute, debts, dues, demands, claims of any nature, costs and expenses.

**Agreement** means the voluntary planning agreement between the Council and the Existing Developer dated 17 February 2022, a copy of which is annexed to this Deed as Annexure A.

Deed means this Deed and includes any Annexures to this Deed.

**Effective Date** means the date upon which the Existing Developer provides the New Developer with an instrument, in registrable form, that (when registered) will effect the transfer of the title to the land from the Existing Developer to the New Developer.

**GST** means any tax, levy, charge or impost implemented under the *A New Tax System* (Goods and Services Tax) Act (**GST Act**) or an Act of the Parliament of the Commonwealth of Australia substantially in the form of, or which has a similar effect to, the GST Act;

**Liabilities** include all liabilities (whether actual, contingent or prospective), losses, damages, costs and expenses of whatever description.

**Rights and Obligations** means all of the rights, benefits and obligations imposed or conferred on the Existing Developer by the Agreement.

## 7.2 Interpretation

In this Deed unless the context otherwise requires:

- (a) clause and subclause headings are for reference purposes only;
- (b) the singular includes the plural and vice versa;
- (c) words denoting any gender include all genders;
- (d) reference to a person includes any other entity recognised by law and vice versa:
- (e) where a word or phrase is defined its other grammatical forms have a corresponding meaning;
- (f) any reference to a party to this Deed includes its successors and permitted assigns;
- (g) any reference to any agreement or document includes that agreement or document as amended at any time;
- (h) the use of the word includes or including is not to be taken as limiting the meaning of the words preceding it;
- (i) the expression at any time includes reference to past, present and future time and the performance of any action from time to time;
- (j) an agreement, representation or warranty on the part of two or more persons

binds them jointly and severally;

- (k) an agreement, representation or warranty on the part of two or more persons is for the benefit of them jointly and severally;
- (I) any ambiguities in the interpretation of this Deed shall not be construed against the drafting party; and
- (m) reference to an exhibit, annexure, attachment or schedule is a reference to the corresponding exhibit, annexure, attachment or schedule in this Deed.

Executed as a deed.	
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Chief Executive Officer (CEO)	Witness Name: ELIZABETH KEELIN
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in accordance with s127(1) of the Corporations	Act (Cth) 2001
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Name: Robert Sargis	Name: JohnFernandes
Position: Director	Position: Director
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Executed by the New Developer in accordance with s127(1) of the Corporations Act (Cth) 2001

Name:

Ben Zheng Lin

Position: Sole Director /Secretary

This is the electronic signature of me, the person named, affixed by me or at my direction on 8 March 2023