MINUTES OF THE SYDNEY EAST JOINT REGIONAL PLANNING PANEL MEETING HELD AT WILLOUGHBY COUNCIL ON WEDNESDAY 6 JUNE 2012 AT 2.00PM

PRESENT:

John Roseth Chair

David Furlong Panel Member Sue Francis Panel Member Steven Head Panel Member Wendy Norton Panel Member

IN ATTENDANCE

Annie Leung Willoughby Council Ian Arnott Willoughby Council

APOLOGY: NIL

1. The meeting commenced at 2.03pm

2. Declarations of Interest -

Nil

3. Business Items

ITEM 1 - 2011SYE120 - Willoughby - DA 2011/575 - Demolition, construction of a 12 storey Boarding House (Student Accommodation - 396 rooms) & VPA - 73 & 77 Albert Avenue, Chatswood

4. Public Submission -

Greg Woodhams, on behalf

Addressed the panel for the item

of the elected Council

Max Menzies Addressed the panel **for** the item

Sandra Robinson Addressed the panel on behalf of the applicant

5. Business Item Recommendations

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The meeting concluded at 3.35pm..

- 1) The Panel resolves unanimously to accept the recommendation of the planning assessment report to approve the application for the reasons mentioned in the report.
- 2) Of the four conditions recommended by the elected council, the Panel resolves to impose two, namely those relating to bicycles and a food garden, though the former in a modified form.

- 3) In Condition 57
 - a) the words "and available in communal living areas throughout the approved development" are deleted.
 - b) Subsection 57(g) is added:
 - (g) Provision of shared bicycles (a minimum of ten bicycles) to encourage and support bicycle travel by students who do not own a bicycle. The demand for additional shared bicycle and bicycle spaces (above the approved minimal total of 80 bicycle spaces) are to be reviewed and accommodated on site on an "as needed" basis.
 - c) The words "Adopt a car pool scheme for work-related journeys" are deleted.
 - d) The words "Provide priority parking for staff, who car-pool with more than 2 passengers" are deleted.
- 4) New condition with the heading *Landscape plan Food Garden* is added: "The Landscape Plan is to be amended to identify an area of at least 20 square metres within the Landscaped Courtyard to be prepared and set aside as a food garden with adequate reticulation and soil conditions to be operated and maintained by the resident students.; The management of the Boarding House facility is to encourage students to grow herbs and vegetables in the designated area and to facilitate the ongoing maintenance of the garden over time. The Operational Plan required by this development consent is to be amended to reflect this requirement."
- 5) Disputed Condition 28 remains as recommended in the planning assessment report.
- 6) The following words are added to Condition 63: "This requirement does not include the removal of any power poles or undergrounding of the overhead services to 84-86 Albert Avenue."
- 7) Deferred Commencement Condition C is relocated to Schedule 2 as a general condition.
- 8) Councillor Norton voted to include the condition recommended by the elected council in relation to giving preference to Aboriginal students in the allocation of rooms; however, the other four members of the Panel did not support this.

Endorsed by

John Roseth Chair, Sydney East Joint Regional Planning Panel 6 June 2012