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**Att:** Liam Hawke  
Senior Planner  
Fairfield City Council

**RE: 1 Villawood Place, Villawood DA no. 674.1/2014**  
**Request for information dated 21.9.15- Landscape items**

Dear Liam,

In response to the above mentioned letter we submit the amended the roof terrace and sky garden plans for 1 Villawood place to satisfy the concerns raised. The amendments are as follows;

**1. Building height Overhead pergola structures to roof terraces**

**Comment:** *The shade roof structure on the south eastern corner of the proposal is proposed near the building line and therefore it is considered to give the impression of an additional storey above the height limit. It is requested that this structure be further setback from the building line in order to maintain the eight (8) storey appearance of the building.*

**Response:**

The SE pergola has been amended to reduce the bulk and scale and has been setback (3m) from the building line as requested. Further to this the Northern pergola has been setback from the building line (4m)

**7. Landscaping**

**Comment:** *Council raises concern regarding the stability of mature tree plantings proposed on the roof and sky gardens. A qualified expert shall provide a written statement indicating that the trees proposed are appropriate and unlikely to be a safety issue.*

**Response:**

*Roof terrace-* The proposed *Cupaniopsis* species have been substituted for smaller species to ensure there is no risk of these becoming a safety issue. The proposed *Banksia serrata* will perform well in this aspect (similar to their natural heathland habitat) and will likely be stunted, growing only to approximately 2m tall, providing a desirable softening to the space.

1 x *Dracaena draco* specimen has been retained in the current proposal. This is located in a central planter and will be a feature of the terrace. While it is extremely unlikely in our opinion that this would pose a safety issue. We have proposed that this specimen will be installed with stainless steel guidewires or a structural steel frame to ensure that the tree will be secured and thrive in this location

*Sky gardens-* The response is noted and the species have been amended to ensure there is no risk to safety

Kind regards,  
Formed Gardens Pty Ltd

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