

# **DETERMINATION AND STATEMENT OF REASONS**

SYDNEY NORTH PLANNING PANEL

DATE OF DETERMINATION	Wednesday 28 February 2018
PANEL MEMBERS	Peter Debnam (Chair), Sue Francis, John Roseth, Gail Giles-Gidney, Norma Shankie-Williams
APOLOGIES	None
DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	Linda McClure declared a non-pecuniary conflict of interest due to having a relative living in Greville Street Chatswood.

Public meeting held at Christie Conference Centre 100 Walker Street North Sydney on 28 February 2018, opened at 10.30am and closed at 11.40am.

#### **MATTER DETERMINED**

2017SNH086 – Willoughby – DA-2014/430/E at 126 Greville Street Chatswood (AS DESCRIBED IN SCHEDULE 1)

### PANEL CONSIDERATION AND DECISION

The Panel considered: the matters listed at item 6, the material listed at item 7 and the material presented at meetings and the matters observed at site inspections listed at item 8 in Schedule 1.

The Panel determined to approve the development application as described in Schedule 1 pursuant to section 96 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.

The Panel adjourned during the meeting to deliberate on the matter and formulate a resolution.

The decision was 4:1 in favour, against the decision was Gail Giles-Gidney.

## **REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

The reasons for the decision of the majority of the Panel were:

- The change to the hours of operation, the subject of the amendment application, leaves the application substantially the same as the original application.
- The majority accepts the conclusions of the applicant's acoustic report that, with suitable management, the activities on the site can continue until 10pm in a manner that complies with EPA noise control regulations and that the additional 30 minutes of activity will not result in unacceptable impact on surrounding residents.
- The Panel has, on the recommendation of the assessment officer, expanded the conditions of consent to further reduce the likelihood of disturbance to residents.
- The Panel notes that the applicant acknowledges that it must continue to control and improve its management of noise issues.

Gail Giles-Gidney voted against the proposed amendment on the grounds that the applicant could abide by the existing restrictions on time.

## **CONDITIONS**

The development application was approved subject to the conditions in the Council Assessment Report with the following amendments.

• Condition 63, additional dot point added, to read as follows:

The movement to and from (and within the premises) of motor bikes shall be managed to minimise noise impacts to neighbouring residential properties.

• Condition 70 amended to read as follows:

The hours of operation of the 'business premises' and 'place of public worship' are restricted to 8.30am to 10.00pm, 7 days a week.

All staff, parishioners and visitors shall:

- Vacate the premises <u>via Greville St</u> no later than <u>10.30pm.</u>
- Vacate the premises <u>via Milwood Ave</u> no later than <u>10.45pm</u>.

This does not apply to security staff and cleaners.

Any variation to these hours is to be subject to the prior consent of Council.

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SCHEDULE 1			
1	PANEL REF – LGA – DA NO.	2017SNH086 – Willoughby – DA-2014/430/E	
2	PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT	S96 – Modify conditions no 70 and no 77 – to extend hours of operations	
3	STREET ADDRESS	126 Greville Street Chatswood and 23-25 Millwood Avenue Chatswood West	
4	APPLICANT	Urbis	
	OWNER	Church of Scientology Australia	
5	TYPE OF REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT	Section 96(2) Modification Application	
6	RELEVANT MANDATORY CONSIDERATIONS	<ul> <li>Environmental planning instruments:         <ul> <li>State Environmental Planning Policy No.55 – Remediation of Land</li> <li>State Environmental Planning Policy (Infrastructure) 2007</li> <li>Sydney Regional Environmental Plan Sydney Harbour Catchment 2005 (Deemed SEPP)</li> <li>Willoughby Local Environmental Plan 2012</li> </ul> </li> <li>Draft environmental planning instruments: Nil</li> <li>Development control plans:         <ul> <li>Willoughby Development Control Plan</li> <li>S94A Plan, Planning for Bush Fire Protection</li> </ul> </li> <li>Planning agreements: Nil</li> <li>Provisions of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000: Nil</li> <li>Coastal zone management plan: Nil</li> <li>The likely impacts of the development, including environmental impacts on the natural and built environment and social and economic impacts in the locality</li> <li>The suitability of the site for the development</li> <li>Any submissions made in accordance with the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 or regulations</li> <li>The public interest, including the principles of ecologically sustainable development</li> </ul>	
7	MATERIAL CONSIDERED BY THE PANEL	<ul> <li>Council assessment report: 16 February 2018</li> <li>Written submissions during public exhibition: 9</li> <li>Verbal submissions at the public meeting:         <ul> <li>Object –Simon Vizor, Helen Cook</li> <li>On behalf of the applicant – Tim Blythe,</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
8	MEETINGS AND SITE INSPECTIONS BY THE PANEL	<ul> <li>Final briefing meeting to discuss council's recommendation,         Wednesday 28 February 2018 at 10.00am. Attendees:         <ul> <li>Panel members: Peter Debnam (Chair), Sue Francis, John Roseth,</li></ul></li></ul>	
9	COUNCIL RECOMMENDATION	Approval	
10	DRAFT CONDITIONS	Attached to the council assessment report	