

RECORD OF BRIEFING SYDNEY CENTRAL CITY PLANNING PANEL

BRIEFING DETAILS

BRIEFING DATE / TIME	6 November 2019, 12.40pm and 1.45pm
LOCATION	Rydalmere Operations Centre

BRIEFING MATTER(S)

PPSSCC-20 - City of Parramatta - DA476/2019

Lot 8 DP 1252009 Civic Place, Parramatta - 6 Storey community facility extension to rear of Parramatta Town Hall, partial demolition and alterations to rear of Parramatta Town Hall local heritage item, 2 storey basement with connection to adjoining basement, partial demolition of existing external amenities block, tree removal, public domain and landscape works.

PANEL MEMBERS

IN ATTENDANCE	Mary-Lynne Taylor (Acting Chair), Paul Mitchell and Ric Thorpe
APOLOGIES	None
DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	Sameer Pandey and Martin Zaiter advised that they are conflicted for this item because, as councillors of City of Parramatta Council, they have participated at various briefings and voted at Council meetings regarding this site planning proposal.

OTHER ATTENDEES

COUNCIL ASSESSMENT STAFF	Alex McDougall, Myfanwy McNally, Kim Crestani – City Architect, Mark Leotta – Director of Planning
OTHER	Brianna Cheeseman – Planning Panels Secretariat Tom Fletcher, Richard Does and Thierry Lacoste on behalf of Lacoste and Stevenson Architects.

KEY ISSUES DISCUSSED

- Design briefing from the Architect, especially relating to plans and explanation regarding the spire element and its effect on Solar Access in Paramatta Square.
- Comparison between approved and amended plans show a consistent effort to improve the building and materials and heritage impact.
- The Panel formed the view that this version keeps the essence and the shape of the original design.
- The Panel understands the justification under Clause 4.6 in relation to Height
- The Panel encourages the retention of the Architect and Engineer throughout the whole of the project and the involvement of the Design Jury throughout the documentation process.
- The Panel agrees that the amended design will ensure the importance of the building in Parramatta Square and agrees the matter should now move forward for final approval.

TENTATIVE PANEL MEETING DATE: 4 December 2019