

# **RECORD OF BRIEFING**

#### SYDNEY SOUTH PLANNING PANEL

# **BRIEFING DETAILS**

BRIEFING DATE / TIME	Wednesday, 22 September 2021, 2.45pm - 3.45pm
LOCATION	Teleconference

#### **BRIEFING MATTER**

PPSSSH-45 - CANTERBURY BANKSTOWN - DA-893/2020

19 ENTERPRISE AVENUE PADSTOW 2211

Alterations and additions to the existing community facility and construction of a mixed-use development including a place of public worship with ancillary facilities, food and drink premises, and basement car parking

# **PANEL MEMBERS**

IN ATTENDANCE	Helen Lochhead (Chair), Stuart McDonald, Heather Warton, Nadia Saleh, Bilal El-Hayek
APOLOGIES	None
DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	Bilal El-Hayek noted that he knows the main Sheik, the religious leader, who runs the Centre plus others associated with the Centre, through his community affiliations

## **OTHER ATTENDEES**

COUNCIL ASSESSMENT STAFF	Nicholas Aley, Stephen Arnold, Ian Woodward, Simon Manoski
OTHER	None

### **RSD TEAM**

CASE MANAGER	Leanne Harris
PROJECT OFFICER	Michelle Burns
OTHER	Holly McCann (observing only)

# **KEY ISSUES DISCUSSED**

The application is for a mixed-use development that represents a major expansion of the current development including a Place of Worship (1500 person capacity) including underground parking (332 spaces) plus other ancillary uses

A range of issues were discussed by the Panel but primarily focused on the potential traffic impacts of the proposed development, specifically,

• The Panel noted due to the site's constrained location in a cul-de-sac, and the potential traffic generation and congestion during Friday Prayers (Friday 11:30-2:30pm), the proposed

development could pose unacceptable impacts, although the carparking provision technically complies with Council requirements.

- The Panel also noted that due to Covid 19 limitations on normal patterns of usage it is difficult to undertake a robust traffic assessment.
- It was noted that other Mosques in the vicinity have capacity for a 2.7 persons/vehicle
- It was also noted that there is potential to rely on other Mosques in the vicinity using a 2.7 persons/vehicle and auditing on a weekly basis to ensure compliance during times of worship (Friday 11:30-2:30pm).Notwithstanding, the capacity of the mosque would need to be reduced to 900 to reflect this assumption.
- An expert in traffic modelling is required to verify reasonable assumptions and scenarios to advise Council's assessment officer to enable a full assessment and a determination to be made by the Panel

**NEW PANEL BRIEFING DATE:** Monday, 13 December 2021 **NEW DETERMINATION DATE:** Monday, 13 December 2021

#### MAIN ISSUE TO BE RESOLVED:

1. Expert traffic advice on a modified proposal