

Record of Kick-Off Briefing Sydney Western City Planning Panel

PANEL REFERENCE, DA NUMBER & ADDRESS	PPSSWC-336 – Camden – DA/2023/284/1 – 40-46 Oxley Street, Camden
APPLICANT / OWNER	Applicant: Melocco & Moore Architects Owner: Camden Council
APPLICATION TYPE	Alterations and additions to Camden Civic Centre, including construction of a new building entry, extension of the building foyer, internal refurbishment and reconfiguration, removal of six trees and landscaping within the building curtilage and Memorial Garden.
REGIONALLY SIGNIFICANT CRITERIA	CIV > \$5M - Council interest
CIV	\$ 9,947,000 (excluding GST)
BRIEFING DATE	26 June 2023

ATTENDEES

APPLICANT	Philip Moore
PANEL	Justin Doyle (Chair), David Kitto, Louise Camenzuli, Michael Mantei, Michael File
COUNCIL OFFICER	Adam Sampson, Jamie Erken, Ryan Pritchard
CASE MANAGER	Kate McKinnon
PLANNING PANELS SECRETARIAT	Sharon Edwards, Tim Mahoney

DA LODGED & DAYS SINCE LODGEMENT: 26 May 2023 (31 days)

TENTATIVE PANEL BRIEFING DATE: Requirement not currently anticipated

TENTATIVE PANEL DETERMINATION DATE: Late September 2023

Chair reviewed attendance and introduced Kick Off Briefing purpose and process.

Council/Applicant

- Council noted that this application is to be independently assessed due to Council policy for Council initiated DAs with values in excess of \$2 mil.
- Council (Applicant) provided a brief summary of the proposed alterations and additions, including changes to access arrangements to provide new universal access to the building. It was noted that most alterations are internal and will not be significantly visible from surrounding streets.
- Council advised that all internal referrals excepting heritage and engineering have been received. Heritage comments have been sought based upon proximity to heritage conservation area (site is not heritage listed). The heritage referral has been outsourced and is expected shortly.
- Notification underway (10 July 2023 conclusion) - no submission(s) received to date.

Panel

- The chair recommended that Council investigate how some form of independent review of architectural merit of the proposal could be facilitated to ensure the best outcome for the project. It was noted that Citi Plan being the firm engaged to conduct the heritage assessment for Council would likely have the expertise for that independent assessment.
- The chair queried whether the adequacy of existing bicycle car parking could be integrated into the project, but noted that only a limited renovation of the building is currently proposed.
- The Panel and Council agreed to target a determination for late September 2023.
- The DA seems suitable for electronic determination subject to outcome of heritage referral and the conclusion of the public exhibition period. A further briefing is not currently anticipated to be necessary until the matter is ready for final determination.

Note:

Council is yet to undertake its full application assessment, so this record is not a final list of the issues they will need to consider in order to draft their recommendation.

The application is yet to be considered by the Sydney Western City Planning Panel and therefore future comment will not be limited to the detail contained within.