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18 August 2017 Our Ref: 1294

The Secretary Department of Planning & Environment GPO Box 39 SYDNEY NSW 2001

Dear Madam

#### Site Compatibility Certificate (ref 14/18577) 347 Narellan Road Currans Hill (Lot 2 DP 1019708)

I refer to the above matter and now enclose:

- Completed SCC application form
- Owner's consent letter
- Report to accompany SCC application
- Cheque in favour of DPE in the amount of \$5,580
- USB containing the files

The above comprise an application for an SCC pursuant to the provision of State Environmental Planning Policy (Housing for Seniors or People with a Disability) 2004 (**'SEPP** (Seniors Housing)').

Please note that DPE issued a Site Compatibility Certificate (**'SCC'**) in relation to the above described site on 28 September 2015. However, this orginal SCC is approaching expiry and there is no mechanism available to extend the validity of a SCC. Therefore, this new application is for a new SCC, to replace the original SCC.

I look forward to your favourable response to this application.

Yours faithfully PRECISE PLANNING

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SEPP (HOUSING FOR SENIORS OR PEOPLE WITH A DISABILITY) 2004 DIRECTOR-GENERAL'S SITE COMPATIBILITY CERTIFICATE **APPLICATION** 

Date received: \_\_\_/\_\_/

Site compatibility application no.

#### Instructions to users

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This application form is to be completed if you wish to apply to the Director-General of the Department of Planning for a site compatibility certificate under Chapter 3, Part 1A of State Environmental Planning Policy (Housing for Seniors or People with a Disability) 2004 (the SEPP).

A site compatibility certificate is required under section 50(2A) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000 to accompany development applications for certain proposed developments under the SEPP. The types of development applications to which the Regulation applies are listed in clause 24 of the SEPP.

Before lodging this application, it is recommended that you consult with the Department of Planning concerning your development proposal, including whether a site compatibility certificate is required and what application fee will apply.

To ensure that your application is accepted, you must:

- complete all parts of this form, and
- submit all relevant information required by this form, and
- provide 3 copies of this form and attached documentation,
- provide form and documentation in electronic format (e.g. CD-ROM).

NB: The Department of Planning may request further information if your application is incomplete or inadequate.

All applications **must be lodged** with the Director-General, by courier or mail. Applications can be lodged with the relevant regional office of the NSW Department of Planning. Please refer to www.planning.nsw.gov.au for contact details.

#### PART A — APPLICANT AND SITE DETAILS

Company/organi	sation/agency				1
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Identify the land you propose to develop and for which you seek the Director-General's site compatibility certificate NAME OF PROPOSAL

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NAME OF PROPERTY	
C3 Church Mt Annan	
REAL PROPERTY DESCRIPTION	
lot 2 DP 1019708	
Attach-map and detailed description of land. Lefer to main docum	nt by Precise
Note: The real property description is found on a map of the land or on the title documents for the la of the real property description, you should contact the Department of Lands. Please ensure that yo distinguish between the lot, section, DP and strata numbers. If the proposal applies to more than on please use a comma to distinguish between each real property description.	u place a slash (/) to
DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT (as it is to appear on the Director-General's certific proposed site layout by title or drawing number to enable reference in the certificate. Residential Care Facility (150 beds) Serviced, self-care dwellings (10)	icate) Refer to the
Attach-copy of proposed site layout. Refer to main document by	Precise Plannis
PART B — PROPOSAL'S CONSISTENCY WITH THE SEPP	
B1 THE PROPOSED SITE	
Answer the following questions to identify whether the SEPP applies to the land you propose to deve	lop.
1.1. Is the subject site land zoned primarily for urban purposes?	Yes No
1.2. Is the subject site land adjoining land zoned primarily for urban purposes?	Yes No
Attach—copy of zoning extract or other evidence of zoning.	
If you have answered <b>no</b> to <b>both</b> questions 1.1 and 1.2, then the SEPP does not apply to the land ar compatibility certificate will not be issued.	nd a site
1.3. Are dwelling houses, residential flat buildings, hospitals or special uses permitted on the site?	Yes No
Attach—copy of development control table. OR	
1.4. Is the land being used for the purposes of an existing registered club?	Yes No
If you have answered <b>no</b> to <b>both</b> questions 1.3 and 1.4, then the SEPP does not apply to the land ar compatibility certificate will not be issued.	nd a site
1.5. Is the subject site excluded from the application of the SEPP under clause 4(6)-Land to which Pol	licv does not applv?
<ul> <li>Environmentally sensitive land (Schedule 1).</li> </ul>	Yes No
Land that is zoned for industrial purposes (except Warringah LGA).	Yes No
<ul> <li>Land in Warringah LGA located in localities identified in clause 4(6)(c) of the SEPP.</li> </ul>	Yes No.
Land to which Sydney Regional Environmental Plan No. 17-Kumell Peninsula (1989) applies.	Yes No
If you have answered <b>yes</b> to <b>any</b> subsection in question1.5, then the SEPP does not apply to the land compatibility certificate will not be issued.	d and a site
SECTION B1 — SUMMARY CHECK	
Continue to fill out this application form only if you have answered:	
Yes to questions 1.1 and 1.2, and Yes to questions 1.3 and 1.4, and No to all subsections in question 1.5.	
If you have satisfied the Summary Check-proceed to Section B2.	

#### B2 SITE COMPATIBILITY CERTIFICATE REQUIRED FOR CERTAIN DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

Identify the reason why you need to apply for a Director-General's site compatibility certificate.

- 2.1. Is the proposed development for the purpose of seniors housing permissible with consent on the Sec. Yes No land under the zoning of an environmental planning instrument? (See clause 24 [1A].)
- 2.2. Is the proposed development staged development of a kind saved under the savings provisions of Yes You the SEPP? (See clause 53.)

If you have answered YES to **either** question 2.1 **or** question 2.2 your proposal does not require a site compatibility certificate. You can submit your application directly to the relevant local council.

2.3. A site compatibility certificate is required because: (see clause 24[1])

the land is used for the purposes of an existing registered club

- the land adjoins land zoned primarily for urban purposes
- the land is within a zone that is identified as 'special uses' (other than land on which hospitals are permitted)

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2 Yes	No

Yes No

Yes I No

the proposed development application involves buildings having a floor space ratio that would require the consent authority to grant consent under clause 45.

If you have answered NO to all subsections in question 2.3, your proposal does not require a site compatibility certificate.

#### SECTION B2 - SUMMARY CHECK

Continue to fill out the application form only if you have answered:

✓ No to **both** question 2.1 and question 2.2, **and** ✓ Yes to **any** subsection in question 2.3 above.

If you have satisfied the Summary Check-proceed to Section B3.

#### **B3 TYPES OF SENIORS HOUSING**

Does the proposed development include any of the following? If yes, please indicate in the appropriate space/s provided the number of beds or dwellings that are proposed

-	A residential care facility	Le Yes LI No	150	Beds
-	A hostel	Yes No		Dwellings
i.	Infill self-care housing (urban only and not dual occupancy)	🗌 Yes 🗌 No		Dwellings
	Serviced self-care housing	Yes No	10	Dwellings
	A combination of these	Yes No	150	Beds Dwellings

If you answered yes to serviced self-care housing-proceed to Section B4. Otherwise-proceed to Part C.

# B4 'GATEWAY' FOR SERVICED SELF-CARE HOUSING ON LAND ADJOINING URBAN LAND

If the proposed development includes serviced self-care housing on land adjoining land zoned primarily for urban purposes, will the housing be provided:

	for	people	with a	disability?
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- in combination with a residential care facility?
- as a retirement village within the meaning of the Retirement Villages Act 1999?

If you answered **no** to **all** questions in Section B4, it is unlikely that the proposal will satisfy the council when you submit a development application (*see* clause 17[2] of the SEPP) and also unlikely that a site compatibility certificate would be issued.

TYes

Yes

Yes

TNO

**NO** 

TNO

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Precise Planning Refer to 5.3 of by report

3. THE SERVICES AND INFRASTRUCTURE THAT ARE OR WILL BE AVAILABLE TO MEET THE DEMANDS ARISING FROM THE DEVELOPMENT (PARTICULARLY, RETAIL, COMMUNITY, MEDICAL, AND TRANSPORT SERVICES HAVING REGARD TO THE LOCATION AND ACCESS REQUIREMENTS SET OUT IN CLAUSE 26 OF THE SEPP) AND ANY PROPOSED FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR INFRASTRUCTURE PROVISION.

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4. IN THE CASE OF APPLICATIONS IN RELATION TO LAND THAT IS ZONED OPEN SPACE OR SPECIAL USES—THE IMPACT THAT THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT IS LIKELY TO HAVE ON THE PROVISION OF LAND FOR OPEN SPACE OR SPECIAL USES IN THE VICINITY OF THE DEVELOPMENT.

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5. WITHOUT LIMITING ANY OTHER CRITERIA, THE IMPACT THAT THE BULK, SCALE, BUILT FORM AND CHARACTER OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT IS LIKELY TO HAVE ON THE EXISTING USES, APPROVED USES AND FUTURE USES OF LAND IN THE VICINITY OF THE DEVELOPMENT.

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OR URBAN ZONES LISTED UNDER SCHEDULE 1 OF THE NATIVE VEGETATION ACT 2003). Precise Planning S.3 of report by

C3 ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

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#### PART D — CHECKLIST, PAYMENT AND SIGNATURES

D1 APPLICATION CHECKLIST		
Please check that you have provided all the information required for your application.	1	
I have completed all sections of this application form.	Yes	□ No
<ul> <li>I have attached supporting information. If yes, please check boxes below, as relevant.</li> <li>Map and detailed description of land</li> <li>A copy of proposed site layout</li> <li>A copy of zoning extract or other evidence</li> <li>A copy of development control table</li> <li>Proposal information—context, proposal and strategic justification</li> <li>Additional information for statements against site compatibility criteria (optional)</li> </ul>	Yes	□ No
<ol> <li>I have addressed the following SEPP site compatibility matters in section C2 of the form.</li> <li>Existing environment and approved uses</li> <li>Impact on future uses</li> <li>Availability of services and infrastructure</li> <li>Impact on open space and special uses provision</li> <li>Impact of the bulk and scale of the proposal</li> <li>Impact on conservation and management of native vegetation</li> </ol>	Yes Danala D	□ No
<ul> <li>I have provided three hard copies of this form and all relevant supporting information</li> <li>I have provided the application form and supporting information in electronic format</li> <li>I have enclosed the application fee (see below for details)</li> </ul>	Yes Yes Yes	□ No □ No □ No
D2 APPLICATION FEE		

You are required to pay a fee for the assessment of an application for the Director General's certificate for site compatibly. This fee is based on the estimated number of beds of the SEPP Seniors Housing Facility. The Department may require that you pay a proportion of the total fee with this application. You should consult with the Department before lodging this application to determine the proportion to be paid. The maximum fee payable is **\$5580** 

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By signing below, I/we hereby:

- apply, subject to satisfying the relevant requirements under State Environmental Planning Policy ((Housing for Seniors or Persons with a Disability) 2004 for a Director-General's site compatibility application pursuant to clause 50(2A) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000
- provide a description of the proposed seniors housing development and address all matters required by the Director-General pursuant to clause 25(5)(b) of the State Environmental Planning Policy (Housing for Seniors or Persons with a Disability) 2004
- declare that all information contained within this application is accurate at the time of signing.

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Name(s) Jeff Bylfin	Date 18 8 17
Jeff Dulph	

As the owner(s) of the land for which the proposed seniors' housing development is located and in signing below, I/we hereby agree to the lodgement of an application for a Director-General's site compatibility certificate.

Signature	Signature
Name	Name
Date	



19 August, 2013

Director General Dept Planning & Infrastructure GPO BOX 39 SYDNEY NSW 2001

Dear Sir/Madam,

RE: Site Compatibility Certificate Application 347 Narellan Road, Currans Hill

The above described is land owned by C3 Church Mount Annan.

The Board of C3 Church Mount Annan hereby provides consent to the lodgement of a Site Compatibility Certificate to Dept Planning & Infrastructure, in relation to the subject land for a 150 bed residential care facility and 10 serviced self care dwellings. The Board has engaged Jeffrey Bulfin of Precise Planning to represent it in relation to this matter.

Yours faithfully.

I, Andrew Gray, hereby have authority to sign on behalf of the board:

Signed: ( Andrew Gray Chairman C3 Church Mount Annan

ACTING CHAIRMAN.

I, Charisa O'Connor, hereby have authority to sign on behalf of the board:

Sighed:

Charisa O'Connor Director C3 Church Mount Annan

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# SITE COMPATIBILITY CERTIFICATE APPLICATION

# 347 Narellan Road Currans Hill

Part of lot 2 DP 1019708

August 2017

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# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this Report is to provide information to the Department of Planning & Infrastructure (DPI) to assist in the determination of an application for a Site Compatibility Certificate (SCC) pursuant to the provisions of Part 1A *State Environmental Planning Policy (Housing for Seniors or People with a Disability)* 2004 (SEPP).

A SCC issued by DPE is currently in place for this site. However, this SCC will expire on 28 September 2017. This new application is intended simply to replace the current SCC, as there is no mechanism available to extend the original SCC. There has been no relevant or material change in the land or its context since the original SCC was issued.

It is proposed to seek approval for the erection of a **Residential Care Facility** (RCF) with a capacity for 150 beds and 10 associated serviced self-care houses. The subject site is located in an RU2 Rural Landscape zone, pursuant to Camden Local Environmental Plan 2010 (LEP). The Land Use table contained within the LEP does not permit RCFs in the RU2 zone, however the subject land is immediately adjacent to land zoned "...primarily for urban purposes". Therefore, a RCF is permissible on the subject land, subject to the issue of an SCC for that purpose by the DPI.

The subject site is known as 347 Narellan Road Currans Hill (Lot 2 DP 1019708)<sup>1</sup>. Currently occupying the site is a Place of Public Worship<sup>2</sup> (C3 Mount Annan) and associated Educational Establishment<sup>3</sup> (Mount Annan Christian College). It is proposed that the facility would partially utilize road infrastructure already in place to service the church and college.

The site is generally orientated north – south and comprises 14.123ha by DP 1019708. It is flanked along its western boundary by existing residential housing; along its eastern boundary by the Sydney Water Race and the scenic hills beyond; along its northern boundary by grazing land and along its southern boundary by an existing self care retirement village consisting of 77 units (of which 23 are built).

The area subject to this SCC application is at the southern half of the site, as shown on the plan at Annexure 2.

The RCF is a compatible land use for this location and, as discussed later in this report, there is a demonstrable need for more RCF beds in the local area. A high

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Figure 1



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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See copy of DP 1019708 at Annexure A

quality RCF on this site may be achieved with negligible environmental impact and a positive social and economic impact. The existing surrounding land uses (church, college, self care retirement village, residential development) create an ideal context for such a facility. The site is located equidistant between the large regional centre and Campbelltown, the smaller local facilities at Narellan and the boutique services at Camden. The entrance to the site is approximately 500 metres from the entry / exit to the M5 motorway. An existing sheltered bus stop is located at the front of the site, with a concrete constructed continuous path of travel to and from the proposed location of the facility.

The site is fully serviced with electricity, telephone, Sydney Water sewerage and water connections and natural gas.

Discussions have occurred with Camden Council in relation to this proposal, specifically with Council's strategic planning officers Ilyas Karaman and Tina Chappell. Subject to the issuing of a Site Compatibility Certificate and a proper assessment process, the Council officers are open to the proposal.

Based on investigations represented in this report, it is concluded that the site is suitable for the proposed development and worthy of support by DoPI for the issue of a SCC.



# 1

# INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 BACKGROUND

This Report is intended to accompany an application to Department of Planning & Infrastructure for a Site Compatibility Certificate (SCC), pursuant to the provisions of Part 1A *State Environmental Planning Policy (Housing for Seniors or People with a Disability) 2004* (SEPP). The report addresses the relevant requirements contained in clauses 24 and 25 of the SEPP.

### 1.2 SITE IDENTIFICATION

The land to which this report relates is known as No 347 Narellan Road Currans Hill (Lot 2 DP 1019708), located within the Camden Local Government Area. It has a frontage to Narellan Road, although its legal vehicular access is from a traffic-light controlled intersection at the front of an immediately adjoining site known as No 359 Narellan Road. From that access point, the land benefits from an appurtenant Right of Carriageway through the adjoining land, facilitating access to Narellan Road.

Narellan Road is a main 8-lane thoroughfare linking Campbelltown (about 3 kilometres to the east), with Narellan (about 2 kilometres to the west). The subject site is situated approximately 500 metres westerly from the intersection of Narellan Road and the M5 motorway.



FIGURE 1 – Locality plan



The subject land is elongated and orientated north – south, comprising an area of 14.123ha. Erected on the land is a 2 storey brick auditorium, used as a Place of Public Worship, as well as a cluster of detached and semi detached brick buildings, used as a kindergarten to year 12 Christian College. The existing development, predominantly on the northern half of the site, is serviced by a bitumen-sealed private road with a substantial bitumen-sealed carpark.



FIGURE 2 – Aerial view of site

The subject land flanked along its western boundary by existing residential housing; along its eastern boundary by the Sydney Water Race and the scenic hills beyond; along its northern boundary by grazing land and along its southern boundary by an existing self care retirement village consisting of 77 units (of which 23 are built).



FIGURE 3 – Aerial view of site





FIGURE 4 – Location of proposed RCF (looking NE)



FIGURE 5 – Location of proposed RCF (looking south with existing dam in background)



#### 1.3 ZONING AND PERMISSIBILITY

The subject land is contained within the RU2 Rural Landscape zone pursuant to CLEP 2010. It adjoins R2 Low Density Residential to the west and south.

#### Camden LEP 2010

**Senior's housing** is a type of **residential accommodation** in the dictionary contained in CLEP. The CLEP land use table for the RU2 zone prohibits the following land uses:

Advertising structures; Agriculture; Air transport facilities; Amusement centres; Camping grounds; Car parks; Caravan parks; Commercial premises; Correctional centres; Crematoria; Eco-tourist facilities; Entertainment facilities; Exhibition homes; Extractive industries; Freight transport facilities; Function centres; Health services facilities; Heavy industrial storage establishments; Home occupations (sex services); Industrial retail outlets; Industries; Information and education facilities; Mortuaries; Port facilities; Recreation facilities (indoor); Recreation facilities (major); Residential accommodation; Restricted premises; Rural industries; Service stations; Sex services premises; Storage premises; Tourist and visitor accommodation; Transport depots; Truck depots; Vehicle body repair workshops; Vehicle repair stations; Warehouse or distribution centres; Wharf or boating facilities; Wholesale supplies

The RU2 land use table contains some exceptions to the general prohibition on residential accommodation, being:

- Dual occupancies (attached)
- Dwelling houses
- Rural worker's dwellings
- Secondary dwellings

This means that seniors housing, which, although separately defined by CLEP, is a type of residential accommodation, is a **prohibited** land use in the RU2 zone.

#### SEPP (Housing for Senior's or People with a Disability)

The SEPP applies to the Camden LGA and has the effect of setting aside any controls within an environmental planning instrument that would otherwise prevent the development of housing specified by the SEPP, provided it meets the development criteria and standards specified.

Clause 4(1) of the SEPP provides as follows:

This Policy applies to land within New South Wales that is land zoned primarily for urban purposes or land that adjoins land zoned primarily for urban purposes, but only if:

(a) development for the purpose of any of the following is permitted on the land:

(i) dwelling-houses,

(ii) residential flat buildings,

(iii) hospitals,



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(iv) development of a kind identified in respect of land zoned as special uses, including (but not limited to) churches, convents, educational establishments, schools and seminaries, or

(b) the land is being used for the purposes of an existing registered club.

#### Note 1

The land is located in the RU2 Rural Landscape zone under CLEP. This is <u>not</u> land ".... Zoned primarily for urban purposes". However, the land immediately adjoins land zoned R2 Low Density Residential (which is land "....zoned primarily for urban purposes") on its western and southern boundaries.

#### Note 2

Dwelling-houses are permitted on land zoned RU2 Rural Landscape under CLEP (for relevance, see cl.4(1)(a)(i) of the SEPP, quoted above).

#### Note 3

Because the land adjoins land zoned primarily for urban purposes, and dwellinghouses are permitted on land in the RU2 zone, the SEPP enables certain **seniors housing** to be erected on the subject land.

#### Note 4

Clause 17(1) of the SEPP permits the following categories of **seniors housing** to be erected on land adjoining land zoned primarily for urban purposes:

- A hostel
- A residential care facility
- Serviced self care housing

Clause 17(2)(b) of the SEPP requires that serviced self care housing on land adjoining land zoned primarily for urban purposes must only be approved if it is in combination with a residential care facility.

The proposal is consistent with these subclauses, as it seeks to develop a residential care facility for 150 beds and 10 associated serviced self-care houses.





FIGURE 6 - Excerpt from Camden LEP 2010 land zone map

### 1.4 GENERAL SUMMARY OF SITE CHARACTERISTICS

Characteristic	Analysis
Property description	Lot 2 DP 1019708
Location, dimensions, shape, area, orientation	Frontage of approximately 61.84 m to the northern side of Narellan Road. The land is a irregularly-shaped and orientated north – south, comprising 14.123ha
Access	Access to the land is from Narellan Road, via a Right of Carriageway through Lot 1 DP 1019708 (immediately adjoining). Narellan Road is a 6 lane arterial road controlled by RMS
Contours and levels	The land is undulating and generally drains in a westerly direction, toward the existing earth dam on the site.
Existing vegetation	In the vicinity of the proposed RCF, the overstorey is dominated by Eucalyptus moluccana (Grey Box) and a single E. tereticornis (Forest Red Gum). There is no scrubby understorey. The grassland represents a mosaic dominated by exotoc species and or in association with a low incidence of native species. The remnant community has been classified to be in 'low' condition and therefore not constrain the proposed development of the site.
Existing improvements	Large brick buildings (church auditorium and college), administration buildings, bitumen driveway and car park, sporting facilities
Significant views to and from the site	From Narellan Road the site is hidden behind the existing adjoining retirement village. The site views onto the Currans Hill residential area to the west. A row of Melaleuca shrubs partially screens the existing driveway and the site generally, from the adjoining residences. The site is potentially visible from the top of



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	Elizabeth Throsby Reserve (former Camden Fields house site) on the hilltop to the north-west of the site, although the vegetation in between is so dense that views are currently blocked to the site from the hilltop.	
Stormwater	Surface water flows in the direction of the slope of the land, generally toward the southwest.	
Electricity	Overhead supply available	
Water	Reticulated water supply available	
Sewer	Sydney Water sewerage infrastructure connection available	
Gas	Gas supply is available	
Microclimate	Predominant breeze from the southwest. Summer storms from the west, south and southwest. The location and topography of the site does not create a microclimate	
Existing overshadowing	Not relevant	
Fences, boundaries, easements	Mixture of fence types; generally rural type fencing. The land is affected by a range of easements as shown on DP 1019708 (Appendix A).	
Natural features	There are no noteworthy natural features	
Adjacent and opposite buildings / development	Residential development to the west; retirement village and Narellan Road to the south; Sydney water race and scenic hills to the east; grazing land to the north	
Street frontage features	There are no noteworthy street frontage features, except a deceleration lane for eastbound vehicles turning into the site and a sheltered bus stop.	
Height differences between subject and adjoining land	No significant changes	
Significant noise sources	No significant noise sources affecting the land other than Narellan Road traffic noise	
Bushfire risk	Land is NOT shown as bushfire prone on Council maps	
Contamination	There is potential for fill (& contamination) at the site due to the development and urbanisation over the past 20 years. Fill materials (local soils and possibly excess construction materials) are likely to be disposed at the site from the construction of Narellan Road, stormwater easement/pipework/detention basin, concrete pathway and the neighbouring retirement village to the south east (area of stockpiled demolition waste). The irregular ground surface and mounding along the east site/fenced boundary and some debris (concrete, asphalt) identified at the site indicate the potential for fill and potential contaminants (e.g. heavy metals, asbestos, hydrocarbons, pesticides). Pesticides may also have been used at the site to control weeds and pests due to historical agricultural or land management activities. Gross contamination/landfill/chemical disposal at the site is not expected due to the absence of local heavy industry (e.g. chemical factories, fuel station) and rural history.	
	It is anticipated that a Stage 2 Environmental Site Assessment would be carried out if this proposal is progressed.	
Salinity	Based on the Salinity Potential in Western Sydney 2002 published map (Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Natural Resources) the site is mapped as "moderate <b>salinity potential"</b> . Further investigations would be	
	carried out if this proposal is progressed.	
Acid sulphate soil		

TABLE 1 – General Summary of Site Characteristics



#### Traffic

The main traffic concern relating to this proposal relates to access for emergency vehicles, given the width and shape of the access road where it passes through the adjoining No 359 Narellan Road. The impact of overall traffic generation numbers onto the surrounding road network are negligible.

Camden Council has approved, or is very close to approving, the amendment of the Construction Certificate for stage 1 of the adjoining retirement village development. The amendment will straighten the alignment of the road and widen it so that it has a carriageway width of minimum 7.1 metres. This widening work will be undertaken as soon as possible, as the issuing of an occupation certificate for the existing retirement units on the adjoining site will not be issued by Council until such work is completed.

For an SCC application, it is sufficient that the Dept be satisfied that the matter is able to be dealt with at the stage of assessment of a development application

#### **Electricity Easement**

Other than vehicular access and parking, no structures relating to this application are proposed to be erected within the TransGrid easement that traverses the site. All structures are proposed to the east of the eastern limit of the easement.

Currently, on the western side of the easement, residential development immediately adjoins the easement. On the eastern side, the existing retirement village (comprising 23 existing units and a further 54 units approved), as well as the church and K-12 college, exist and/or operate effectively, despite immediately adjoining the easement. There is no difference between what is being proposed in this SCC application with what currently exists.

#### **Regionally significant views**

The proposed residential care facility will be visible in part from Narellan Road. However, at worst it would be a glimpse, and then it would be from travelling vehicles (not a static view). The height of the building would not exceed the height of the scenic hills set in the backdrop, which would limit any adverse impacts. It should be noted that the existing church building to the north and the proposed 54 approved units adjoining to the south of the proposed RCF location each have 2 storey elements. It is envisaged that the proposed RCF building would be consistent with the existing (or approved) built environment.

The building is currently shown just as an envelope on the plans. However, during the DA preparation stage, the architects would develop the architectural design with appropriate articulation, materials and opportunities for landscaping, in order to soften the appearance of the building on the viewed landscape. The proposed building would be designed to complement the current scenic environment.



# **2** THE PROPOSAL

### 2.1 RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITY

It is proposed to erect a 150 bed residential care facility at the subject site.

Clause 11 of the SEPP defines a *residential care facility* as follows:

In this Policy, a **residential care facility** is residential accommodation for seniors or people with a disability that includes:

- (a) meals and cleaning services, and
- (b) personal care or nursing care, or both, and
- (c) appropriate staffing, furniture, furnishings and equipment for the provision of that accommodation and care,

not being a dwelling, hostel, hospital or psychiatric facility.

This definition is replicated in Camden LEP 2010.

A plan showing the location of the proposal has been prepared by Boffa Robertson Group.

### 2.2 DESIGN PHILOSOPHY

The proposed residential care facility will provide varying levels of 24hr care to 150 residents who are no longer independent.

Residents will be accommodated in six wings arranged over two levels. Each wing will accommodate approximately 25 residents in single and double rooms. Dining and lounge facilities will be provided to each wing and served in-house catering and support services.

Specifically designed indoor and outdoor activity spaces will be created to provide an environment that will be peaceful and relaxed.

Residents will be supported by nursing and administrative staff 24hrs a day as their care needs dictate.

A day care centre for the aged will form part of the design of the new residential care facility.



### 2.3 STRATEGIC PARTNER / OPERATOR

The Sisters of Our Lady of China is a Catholic Order of Sisters and is the proposed operator for the residential care facility.

The Sisters of Our Lady of China Group provides high quality residential aged care across three facilities in Metropolitan Sydney – in Peakhurst, Carramar and Minto.

Two other facilities are being constructed at Miranda and Beverley Park.

The Camden Local Government Area has been identified as an area of need by the Federal Government, demonstrated by the allocation of 450 beds to South Western Sydney – together with Western Sydney the highest allocation to an individual area.

The organisation prides itself on the individualised quality care it provides to its residents by highly qualified and professional staff.

Promoting the dignity and respect for human life at all stages, extending the hand of a Samaritan and caring with love, hope and faith, are all integral elements of the Sisters' work.

Residents enjoy a friendly, caring, community atmosphere that is fostered by the caring philosophy of the management and staff, enhanced by the modern design and amenities of our facilities.

The existing three fully accredited facilities offer residential aged care accommodation including low care, high care and respite care. Residents with dementia are also catered for. The facilities welcome residents from all backgrounds and are not ethno specific.

The facilities provide a range of social, recreational and educational activities to meet the needs and interests of all residents.

The organisation encourages the involvement of relatives and friends in all activities and welcome them as equal partners in our care family.

#### 2.4 NEARBY SERVICES

Facilities closest to the site are located at Narellan, less than 2kms to the west. In addition to a typical ribbon-style main street, Narellan also boasts a town centre. The Narellan Town Centre has a large range of retail and service facilities, as well as eateries, banks and post office.





FIGURE 7 - Narellan Town Centre



FIGURE 8 – Narellan Town Centre

Medical facilities are also available at Narellan.

Campbelltown is approximately 4 kilometres east of the site. Campbelltown is a major regional centre servicing southwest Sydney, with two major retail shopping centres, several railway stations, a hospital and many specialist medical services, entertainment precinct and many other services.





FIGURE 9 – Macarthur Square regional shopping centre



FIGURE 10 - Campbelltown Hospital



# **3** SITE COMPATIBILITY CERTIFICATE CRITERIA

Part 1A, clauses 24 and 25 of the SEPP outline the requirements and criteria for the determination of an application to the Director General for an SCC.

Clause 24

SEPP Reference	Requirement	Response
Cl.24(1)(a)	Application of the clause	The land adjoins land zoned primarily for urban purposes
Cl.24(1A)	Permissibility under another EPI	We are not aware of any other EPI which permits senior's housing on this land
Cl.24(2)	SCC required	Purpose of this current application
CI.24(3)	Consent authority still required to determine application	Noted

TABLE 2 – Response to Clause 24 SEPP

#### Clause 25

#### Cl.25(5)(b)(i)

The natural environment (including known significant environmental values, resources or hazards) and the existing uses and approved uses of land in the vicinity of the proposed development

The local environment consists of undulating topography, an overland flow path leading to a farm dam and some species of native vegetation. Development in the vicinity of the site consists of residential development to the west, an existing self-care retirement village to the south, the Sydney water race and grazing land to the east and grazing land to the north.

The existing self-care retirement village to the south currently comprises 23 x 2/3 bedroom, single storey units, together with community buildings including a hydrotherapy pool. Camden Council has issued development consent for a further 54 units in two storey buildings. The existing and approved development on this adjoining land to the south will be consistent in scale and nature with the proposed RCF.

The topography is shown on the plan by Sydney Land Surveyors (Appendix 'B'). The overland flow path will be treated in accordance with Water Sensitive Urban Design Principles and is not considered a barrier to the proposal.

Regarding the native vegetation, the overstorey is dominated by Eucalyptus moluccana (Grey Box) and a single E. tereticornis (Forest Red Gum). There is no scrubby 17nderstory. The grassland represents a mosaic dominated by exotic



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species and or in association with a low incidence of native species. The remnant community has been classified to be in 'low' condition and therefore not constrain the proposed development of the site.

It is noted that the land is shown as being affected, albeit marginally, on Camden Council's bushfire maps. However, the bushfire constraints associated with the proposed location of the RCF are minor in nature, being located >100m (i.e. 165m - 260m) from any currently mapped bushfire vegetation and separated from these areas by managed land.



FIGURE 11 – Excerpt from Camden Council Bushfire Prone Land map





FIGURE 12 - Aerial view of potential bushfire threats

#### Cl.25(5)(b)(ii)

#### The impact that the proposed development is likely to have on the uses that, in the opinion of the Director-General, are likely to be the future uses of that land

The proposal is low-scale and is compatible with the existing (and approved) surrounding development. The proposal will be compliant with the built form controls of the SEPP, except the height control contained in cl.40(4)(c), which requires the building height in the rear 25% of the site to be single storey. However, in this circumstance the non-compliance is justified, given the large site area, the nature of development to the east and the two storey developments existing or approved both north and south of the location of the RCF.

#### Cl.25(5)(b)(iii)

The services and infrastructure that are or will be available to meet the demands arising from the proposed development (particularly, retail, community, medical and transport services having regard to the location and access requirements set out in clause 26) and any proposed financial arrangements for infrastructure provision

A bus stop is located immediately at the street frontage of the site, which is able to transport patrons to Campbelltown. The proposed RCF is able to achieve



compliance with the provisions of cl.26 of the SEPP. The site is located less than 2 kilometres from the commercial centre of Narellan and less than 4 kilometres from the regional centre of Campbelltown. Both these locations have multiple bank and post office outlets, as well as a wide range of retail and other commercial services. Campbelltown Hospital is less than 5 kilometres from the subject site, and Narellan and Campbelltown have a large range of specialist medical services available.

#### Cl.25(5)(b)(iv)

In the case of applications in relation to land that is zoned open space or special uses – the impact that the proposed development is likely to have on the provision of land for open space and special uses in the vicinity of the development

Not applicable

#### Cl.25(5)(b)(v)

Without limiting any other criteria, the impact that the bulk, scale, built form and character of the proposed development is likely to have on the existing uses, approved uses and future uses of land in the vicinity of the development

The proposed RCF will be compatible with existing and approved development to the north and south, being limited to 2 storeys in height. (refer to s.2.2)

The application will include a comprehensive landscape strategy, integrated with the building design, to maximize occupant amenity and minimize visual impacts. The strategy will incorporate retention of existing trees where possible.

#### Cl.25(5)(b)(vi)

If the development may involve the clearing of native vegetation that is subject to the requirements of section 12 of the <u>Native Vegetation Act 2003</u> – the impact that the proposed development is likely to have on the conservation and management of native vegetation.

Some minor clearing is required, as previously noted. However, the clearing is of such a minor nature that its impact on the conservation and management of native vegetation is negligible.



# **4** CONCLUSION

The proposed RCF development will assist to provide increased housing choice for seniors and people with a disability in the local area. The proposed location is ideally suited to the development, between Narellan and Camden to the west and Campbelltown to the east, and close to the interchange of Narellan Road and the M5 motorway.

It is proposed that the operator will manage this facility in conjunction with their existing 108 bed residential care facility at Minto – a facility with a long waiting list. It is expected that the Narellan site will also be in high demand based on allocations being made by the Department of Social Services in 2014.

The site is also located in the immediate vicinity of an existing self-care retirement village, as well as a Place of Public Worship and a large range of medical facilities. The proposed RCF may be erected with minimal environmental impact.

Camden council have already indicated support in principle to the concept of an aged care facility as a compatible use.

Subject to your support for our application, it is intended to proceed with the application for aged care licenses followed by the preparation of a Development Application to Camden Council at the earliest opportunity.

We look forward to your favorable reply.

Yours faithfully PRECISE PLANNING

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# Appendix "B"

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