

PENRITH CITY COUNCIL

MAJOR ASSESSMENT REPORT

Application number:	DA15/0702
Proposed development:	Internal Alterations to Form Additional Retail Tenancy
Property address:	569 - 595 High Street, PENRITH NSW 2750
Property description:	Lot 1 DP 1137699
Date received:	8 July 2015
Assessing officer	Clare Aslanis
Zoning:	Zone B3 Commercial Core - LEP 2010
Class of building:	Class 6
Recommendations:	Approve

Executive Summary

Council is in receipt of a development application for the infill of a void area at Westfield Penrith (569-595 High Street, Penrith). Under the Penrith Local Environmental Plan 2010 the subject site is zoned B3 - Commercial Core. The alterations are permissible within the zone with Council consent.

An assessment under Section 79C of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 has been undertaken and the application is recommended for approval, subject to recommended conditions.

Site & Surrounds

The subject site is currently occupied by the Westfield Penrith Plaza shopping centre which contains a variety of retail tenancies and makes provision for several hundred car parking spaces. The surrounding area is characterised predominantly by retail and commercial development.

The current application relates to internal works on level 1 between shops 1017 and 1018 to extend shop 1018, which will be subject to a separate CDC application.

Proposal

The proposed development consists of:

- the construction of walls and floor to fill a void area and fire exit.

Plans that apply

- Local Environmental Plan 2010 (Amendment 4)
- Development Control Plan 2007 (City Centre)
- Sydney Regional Environmental Plan No.20 - Hawkesbury Nepean River

• Section 79C - Evaluation

The development has been assessed in accordance with the matters for consideration under Section 79C of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, and having regard to those matters, the following issues have been identified for further consideration:

Section 79C(1)(a)(i) The provisions of any environmental planning instrument

Sydney Regional Environmental Plan No.20 - Hawkesbury Nepean River

An assessment has been undertaken of the application against relevant criteria within Sydney Regional Environmental Plan No 20—Hawkesbury-Nepean River (No 2—1997) and the application is satisfactory subject to recommended conditions of consent.

Local Environmental Plan 2010 (Amendment 4)

Provision	Compliance
Clause 2.3 Permissibility	Complies

Section 79C(1)(a)(ii) The provisions of any draft environmental planning instrument

There are no draft Environmental Planning Instruments that apply to the proposal.

Section 79C(1)(a)(iii) The provisions of any development control plan

Development Control Plan 2007 (City Centre)

Provision	Compliance
Part 4 - Accessing, parking and servicing	

Section 79C(1)(a)(iiia) The provisions of any planning agreement

There are no planning agreements applying to this application.

Section 79C(1)(a)(iv) The provisions of the regulations

Fire safety

In accordance with Section 143 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000, an assessment of the fire protection and structural capacity of the proposed building is necessary.

The application has been referred to Council's Building Surveyors for assessment with the following comments being provided:

A fire engineering report has been submitted and it will be the responsibility of the PCA issuing the CC to determine the relevance of the report.

The proposed development complies with the requirements of the Regulations.

Section 79C(1)(b)The likely impacts of the development

The proposed alterations are unlikely to have any negative impact on adjoining land uses nor the functionality of the Westfield complex itself.

The proposed void infill will block off a fire exit and access to loading docks, however there are sufficient fire exits within close proximity and this is supported by a fire engineer report. The loading docks will still be accessible from the rear of shops that it services and the door was excess to the minimum safety requirements.

The works are internal to the centre and will activate a part of the centre that is currently not used to its full potential. The works will not result in increased traffic or parking requirements.

Section 79C(1)(c)The suitability of the site for the development

The site is suitable for the following reasons:

- The site is zoned to permit the proposed use
- The use is compatible with surrounding/adjoining land uses
- The grade of the site is suitable for the design proposed

Section 79C(1)(d) Any Submissions

Community Consultation

In accordance with Clause 4.4 of Appendix F4 of Penrith Development Control Plan 2014, the proposed development did not have to be notified to nearby and adjoining residents.

Referrals

The application was referred to the following stakeholders and their comments have formed part of the assessment:

Referral Body	Comments Received
Building Surveyor	No objections - subject to conditions

Section 79C(1)(e)The public interest

The proposed development will not generate any significant issues of public interest.

Conclusion

Subject to the recommended conditions of consent the proposal is considered to be consistent with the relevant sections of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, the relevant Local Environmental Plan, relevant State Environmental Planning Policies and the Penrith Development Control Plan because it does not contravene any development standards and will not result in any significant impacts on the natural, social or economic environments.

The site is suitable for the proposed development, the proposal does not conflict with the public interest, and there is unlikely to be negative impacts arising from the proposed development. Accordingly, the application is worthy of support and recommended for approval, subject to recommended conditions.

Recommendation

1. That DA15/0702 for void infill at 569-595 High Street, Penrith (Westfield) be approved subject to the attached conditions.

General

1 A001

The development must be implemented substantially in accordance with the plans numbered 80.2001 (Issue A), 80.2002 (Issue A), and 80.2003 (Issue A); drawn by Scentre Design and Construction Pty Ltd and dated 1 July 2015, and stamped approved by Council, the application form, and any supporting information received with the application, except as may be amended in red on the approved plans and by the following conditions.

2 A019 - OCCUPATION CERTIFICATE (ALWAYS APPLY)

The development shall not be used or occupied until an Occupation Certificate has been issued.

3 A046 - Obtain Construction Certificate before commencement of works

A **Construction Certificate** shall be obtained prior to commencement of any building works.

BCA Issues

4 E009 - Annual fire safety-essential fire safety (Class 2-9 buildings)

The owner of a building, to which an essential fire safety measure is applicable, shall provide Penrith City Council with an annual fire safety statement for the building. The annual fire safety statement for a building must:

(a) deal with each essential fire safety measure in the building premises, and

(b) be given:

- within 12 months after the last such statement was given, or
- if no such statement has previously been given, within 12 months after a final fire safety certificate was first issued for the building.

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As soon as practicable after the annual fire safety statement is issued, the owner of the building to which the statement relates:

- must also provide a copy of the statement (together with a copy of the current fire safety schedule) to the Commissioner of New South Wales Fire Brigades, and
- prominently display a copy of the statement (together with a copy of the current fire safety schedule) in the building.

5 E01A - BCA compliance for Class 2-9

All aspects of the building design shall comply with the applicable performance requirements of the Building Code of Australia so as to achieve and maintain acceptable standards of structural sufficiency, safety (including fire safety), health and amenity for the on-going benefit of the community. Compliance with the performance requirements can only be achieved by:

(a) complying with the deemed to satisfy provisions, or

(b) formulating an alternative solution which:

- complies with the performance requirements, or
- is shown to be at least equivalent to the deemed to satisfy provision, or

(c) a combination of (a) and (b).

It is the owner's responsibility to place on display, in a prominent position within the building at all times, a copy of the latest fire safety schedule and fire safety certificate/ statement for the building.

Construction

6 H001 - Stamped plans and erection of site notice

Stamped plans, specifications, a copy of the development consent, the Construction Certificate and any other Certificates to be relied upon shall be available on site at all times during construction.

The following details are to be displayed in a maximum of 2 signs to be erected on the site:

- the name of the Principal Certifying Authority, their address and telephone number,
- the name of the person in charge of the work site and telephone number at which that person may be contacted during work hours,
- that unauthorised entry to the work site is prohibited,
- the designated waste storage area must be covered when the site is unattended, and
- all sediment and erosion control measures shall be fully maintained until completion of the construction phase.

Signage but no more than 2 signs stating the above details are to be erected:

- at the commencement of, and for the full length of the, construction works onsite, and
- in a prominent position on the work site and in a manner that can be easily read by pedestrian traffic.

All construction signage is to be removed when the Occupation Certificate has been issued for the development.

7 H002 - All forms of construction

Prior to the commencement of construction works:

(a) Toilet facilities at or in the vicinity of the work site shall be provided at the rate of one toilet for every 20 persons or part of 20 persons employed at the site. Each toilet provided must be:

- a standard flushing toilet connected to a public sewer, or
- if that is not practicable, an accredited sewage management facility approved by the council, or
- alternatively, any other sewage management facility approved by council.

(b) All excavations and backfilling associated with the erection or demolition of a building must be executed safely and in accordance with the appropriate professional standards. All excavations associated with the erection or demolition of a building must be properly guarded and protected to prevent them from being dangerous to life or property.

(c) If an excavation associated with the erection or demolition of a building extends below the level of the base of the footings of a building on an adjoining allotment of land, the person causing the excavation to be made:

- must preserve and protect the building from damage, and
- if necessary, must underpin and support the building in an approved manner, and
- must, at least 7 days before excavating below the level of the base of the footings of a building on an adjoining allotment of land, give notice of intention to do so to the owner of the adjoining allotment of land and furnish particulars of the excavation to the owner of the building being erected or demolished. The owner of the adjoining allotment of land is not liable for any part of the cost of work carried out for the purposes of this condition, whether carried out on the allotment of land being excavated or on the adjoining allotment of land, (includes a public road and any other public place).

(d) If the work involved in the erection or demolition of a building is likely to cause pedestrian or vehicular traffic in a public place to be obstructed or rendered inconvenient, or involves the enclosure of a public place, a hoarding or fence must be erected between the work site and the public place:

- if necessary, an awning is to be erected, sufficient to prevent any substance from, or in connection with, the work falling into the public place,
- the work site must be kept lit between sunset and sunrise if it is likely to be hazardous to persons in the public place, and
- any such hoarding, fence or awning is to be removed when the work has been completed.

Certification

8 [Q01F - Notice of Commencement & Appointment of PCA2 \(use for Fast Light only\)](#)

Prior to the commencement of any earthworks or construction works on site, the proponent is to:

- (a) employ a Principal Certifying Authority to oversee that the said works carried out on the site are in accordance with the development consent and related Construction Certificate issued for the approved development, and with the relevant provisions of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act and accompanying Regulation, and
- (b) submit a Notice of Commencement to Penrith City Council.

The Principal Certifying Authority shall submit to Council an "Appointment of Principal Certifying Authority" in accordance with Section 81A of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.

Information to accompany the Notice of Commencement

Two (2) days before any earthworks or construction/demolition works are to commence on site (including the clearing site vegetation), the proponent shall submit a "Notice of Commencement" to Council in accordance with Section 81A of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.

9 [Q05F - Occupation Certificate for Class10](#)

An Occupation Certificate is to be obtained from the Principal Certifying Authority on completion of all works and prior to the use of the subject space.

The Certificate shall not be issued if any conditions of this consent, but not the conditions relating to the operation of the development, are outstanding.

A copy of the Occupation Certificate and all necessary documentation supporting the issue of the Certificate is to be submitted to Penrith City Council, if Council is not the Principal Certifying Authority.