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FOR

PROPOSED APARTMENT DEVELOPMENT

AT

26-30 HOPE STREET, PENRITH NSW 2750

APARTMENT DESIGN GUIDE COMPLIANCE TABLE FOR SEPP 65

SEPP 65 establishes nine design quality principles to be applied in the design and assessment of residential apartment development.

Parts 3 and 4 of the Apartment Design Guide set out objectives, design criteria and design guidance for the siting, design and amenity of residential apartment development.

ARCHITECTS STATEMENT IN RESPONSE TO

SEPP No.65- DESIGN QUALITY OF RESIDENTIAL APARTMENT DEVELOPMENT and THE APARTMENT DESIGN GUIDE.

Nine design principles from SEPP 65

- 1. Context and neigbourhood character
- 2. Built form and scale
- 3. Density
- 4. Sustainability
- 5. Landscape
- 6. Amenity
- 7. Safety
- 8. Housing diversity and social interaction
- 9. Aesthetics

Design Verification Statement

The proposal has been designed by Mark Makhoul of Building Design & Technology, in association with Martha Strangas, Architect NSW ARB No:6900, who prepared this ADG Compliance table.

The design of this residential apartment development achieves the design quality principles set out in SEPP 65 and Sections 3 & 4 of the Apartment Design Guide.

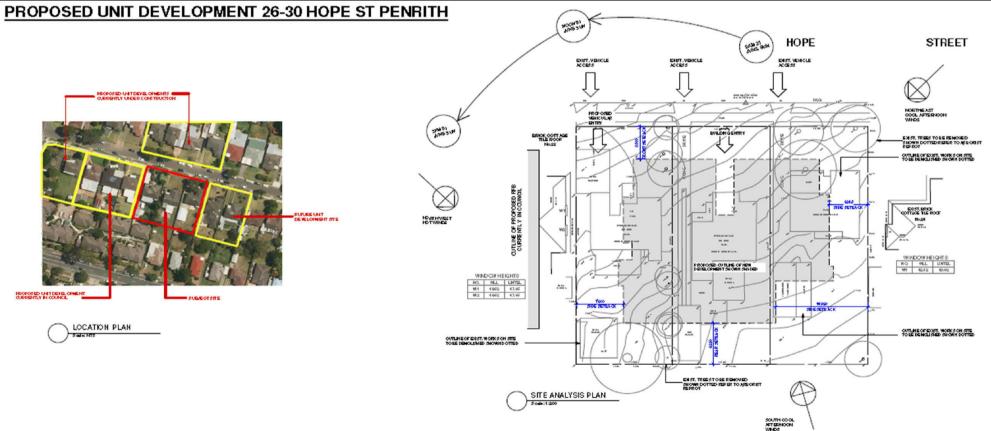
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PART 3 SITING THE DEVELOPMENT

3A SITE ANALYSIS						
OBJECTIVE 3A-1	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS			
Site analysis illustrates that design decisions have been based on opportunities and constraints of the site conditions and their relationship to the surrounding context			Objective Achieved. Site Analysis Checklist used as guide. Refer to SURVEY PLAN and Architectural Drawings No. A0.01 SITE ANALYSIS PLAN AND LOCATION PLAN and No. A0.02 SITE LEP CONTROLS & PHOTOS			





OBJECTIVE 3B-1	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Building types and layouts respond to the streetscape and site while optimising solar		Buildings along the street frontage define the street, by facing it and incorporating direct access from the street.	Objective Achieved. The main entry and four ground floor apartments face the street and have direct access to their apartments from the street
access within the development.		Where the street frontage is to the east or west, rear buildings should be orientated to the north.	via their front courtyards. The apartments on the floors directly above them also address the street.
		Where the street frontage is to the north or south, overshadowing to the south should be minimised and buildings behind the street frontage should be orientated to the east and west.	The street frontage is to the north of the site. The neighbours will receive required solar access because of the north-south site orientation.
OBJECTIVE 3B-2	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Overshadowing of neighbouring properties is minimised during mid winter.		Living areas, private open space and communal open space should receive solar access in accordance with sections 3D Communal and public open space and 4A Solar and daylight access.	Objective Achieved. Refer to Architectural Drawings No. A1.13 SOLAR ACCESS AND VENTILATION PLAN and No. A1.15 SHADOW DIAGRAMS
		Solar access to living rooms, balconies and private open spaces of neighbours should be considered.	
		Where an adjoining property does not currently receive the required hours of solar access, the proposed building ensures solar access to neighbouring properties is not reduced by more than 20%.	
		If the proposal will significantly reduce the solar access of neighbours, building separation should be increased beyond minimums contained in section 3F Visual privacy.	Required building separation has been proposed. Currently the east and west neighbours are individual dwellings, with development proposals
		Overshadowing should be minimised to the south or down hill by increased upper level setbacks.	for units of similar nature to this one. The southern neighbours will achieve at least 3 hours sunlight.
		It is optimal to orientate buildings at 90 degrees to the boundary with neighbouring properties to minimise overshadowing and privacy impacts, particularly where minimum setbacks are used and where buildings are higher than the adjoining development.	
		A minimum of 4 hours of solar access should be retained to solar collectors on neighbouring buildings.	

OBJECTIVE 3C-1	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Transition between private and public domain is achieved without compromising		Terraces, balconies and courtyard apartments should have direct street entry, where appropriate.	Objective Achieved, as detailed in 3B.1
safety and security.		entries above the street level provide surveillance and improve visual	The street fencing is setback from the street boundary to allow for a landscaped zone. Behing this landscaped area, open Colorbond slat fencing 1800mm high, enclose the streetfront courtyards of the four ground floor units. This permeable filter
		Upper level balconies and windows should overlook the public domain.	
		Front fences and walls along street frontages should use visually permeable materials and treatments. The height of solid fences or walls should be limited to 1m.	allows them some privacy while still enabling stree surveillance.
		residents and the public domain. Design solutions may include	The letterbox canopy and the main pedestrian entry are centrally located off the street frontage The ground floor units have direct access to thei courtyards via side gates off clearly defined path Pedestrian and vehicular entry and exit points ar clearly defined.
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OBJECTIVE 3C-2	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Amenity of the public domain is retained and enhanced.		Planting softens the edges of any raised terraces to the street, for example above sub-basement car parking.	Objective Achieved, as detailed above in 3C.1.
		Mail boxes should be located in lobbies, perpendicular to the street alignment or integrated into front fences where individual street entries are provided.	Main entry and letterboxes are clearly designated. Pedestrian and vehicular entry and exit points are clearly defined.
		The visual prominence of underground car park vents should be minimised and located at a low level where possible.	No underground vents are visual from the street. All carpark mechanical vents will be taken through
		Substations, pump rooms, garbage storage areas and other service requirements should be located in basement car parks or out of view.	the building to the roof within the services zone indicated next to the lift.
		Ramping for accessibility should be minimised by building entry location and setting ground floor levels in relation to footpath levels.	Services rooms and all garbage storage areas are located in the basement and the garbage
		Durable, graffiti resistant and easily cleanable materials should be used.	collection area is to the rear of the site out of street view.
		Where development adjoins public parks, open space or bushland, the design positively addresses this interface and uses a number of the following design solutions: • street access, pedestrian paths and building entries which are	Location of substation and fire hydrants to be determined by relevant authoirites. Accessible ramped entry path way is at the main entrance.
		clearly defined • paths, low fences and planting that clearly delineate between communal/private open space and the adjoining public open space • minimal use of blank walls, fences and ground level parking.	
		On sloping sites protrusion of car parking above ground level should be minimised by using split levels to step underground car parking.	

3D COMMUNAL AND PUBLICOBJECTIVE 3D-1	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
An adequate area of communal open space is provided to enhance residential amenity and to provide opportunities for landscaping.	1. Communal open space has a minimum area equal to 25% of the site (see figure 3D.3) 2. Developments achieve a minimum of 50% direct sunlight to the principal usable part of the communal open space for a minimum of 2 hours between 9 am and 3 pm on 21 June (mid winter).	Communal open space should be consolidated into a well designed, easily identified and usable area. Communal open space should have a minimum dimension of 3m, and larger developments should consider greater dimensions. Communal open space should be co-located with deep soil areas. Direct, equitable access should be provided to communal open space areas from common circulation areas, entries and lobbies. Where communal open space cannot be provided at ground level, it should be provided on a podium or roof. Where developments are unable to achieve the design criteria, such as on small lots, sites within business zones, or in a dense urban area, they should: • provide communal spaces elsewhere such as a landscaped roof top terrace or a common room	Overall Objective Achieved. Site Area = 1894.4sqm. Required Communal Area = 473sqm Proposed Communal Area = 448sqm with minimum 3m width (23.6%). This consists of ground floor open space of 175sqm plus 133sqm landscaped open space (within the front and rear setback deep soil areas) plus 140sqm of communal roof terrace. Penrith Council DCP requires 10% of the landscaped area to be communal open space but the ADG requires 25% of site area. Council's onsite garbage collection policy requires a turntable which reduces our total potential ground floor communal open space area. At 23.6 % we are short 1.4% of the ADG's minimum of 25% of site area. The main communal areas are oriented north and north-west exceeding the minimum 50% direct sunlight requirement.
OBJECTIVE 3D-2	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Communal open space is designed to allow for a range of activities, respond to site conditions and be attractive and inviting		swimming pools, gyms, tennis courts or common rooms	Objective Achieved. The proposed main ground floor communal open space area located on the north-west/ west side of the site has pergolas, timber tables and benches, seating and a barbeque area. The communal roof terrace has an awing with seating and tables and a combined kitchenette- barbeque area. Both the ground floor and roof communal areas are screened by landscaping and architectural elements for shade, privacy and wind.

OBJECTIVE 3D-3	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Communal open space is designed to maximise safety.		Communal open space and the public domain should be readily visible from habitable rooms and private open space areas while maintaining visual privacy. Design solutions may include: • bay windows • corner windows • balconies Communal open space should be well lit. Where communal open space/facilities are provided for children and young people they are safe and contained.	Objective achieved. Both the ground and roof top communal open spaces are visible and only accessible from the main corridor on the ground floor and via a lift to the roof terrace. The ground floor communal area is at a lower level to the adjacent unit's private open space which is enclosed by a balcony and screened with landscaping. Each area is accessed by wide glass doors (hinged and sliding).
OBJECTIVE 3D-4	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Public open space, where provided, is responsive to the existing pattern and uses of the neighbourhood.		The public open space should be well connected with public streets along at least one edge. The public open space should be connected with nearby parks and other landscape elements. Public open space should be linked through view lines, pedestrian desire paths, termination points and the wider street grid. Solar access should be provided year round along with protection from strong winds. Opportunities for a range of recreational activities should be provided for people of all ages. A positive address and active frontages should be provided adjacent to public open space. Boundaries should be clearly defined between public open space and private areas.	Objective achieved. The street facing courtyards are set back 3m from the street front boundary. This 3m wide public zone between the driveways on either side of the site (one for residents the other for garbage collection) is landscaped with varying height planting to allow partial screening of the courtyards. This zone incorparates the letterbox canopy that leads to the wide central path to the main entry of the building. It is a destinctly public zone that leads to the semi public and semi private spaces.

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OBJECTIVE 3E-1	DESIGN CRITERIA			DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Deep soil zones provide areas on the site that allow for and support healthy plant and tree growth. They improve residential amenity and promote management of water and air quality.				On some sites it may be possible to provide larger deep soil zones, depending on the site area and context:	Overall Objective Achieved. Site Area = 1894.4sqm. Required Deep Soil Area = 133sqm = 7%
	Site area	Minimum dimensions	Deep soil zone s (% of site area)	1,500m2	Proposed Deep Soil Area = 165sqm with minimum 6m width (8.7%). This application proposes to retain two mature trees to the rear of the site and
	650m² - 1,500m² greater than 1,500m²	3m 6m	7%	Deep soil zones should be located to retain existing significant trees and to allow for the development of healthy root systems, providing	establish 2 new large and 10 new medium trees.
	greater than 1,500m² with significant existing tree cover	6m		anchorage and stability for mature trees. Design solutions may include: • basement and sub basement car park design that is consolidated	Refer to LANDSCAPE PLANS
				beneath building footprints • use of increased front and side setbacks • adequate clearance around trees to ensure long term health • co-location with other deep soil areas on adjacent sites to create larger contiguous areas of deep soil	
				Achieving the design criteria may not be possible on some sites including where: • the location and building typology have limited or no space for deep soil at ground level (e.g. central business district, constrained sites, high density areas, or in centres) • there is 100% site coverage or non-residential uses at ground floor level.	
				Where a proposal does not achieve deep soil requirements, acceptable stormwater management should be achieved and alternative forms of planting provided such as on structure.	

OBJECTIVE 3F-1	DESIGN CRITERIA			DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Adequate building separation distances are shared equitably between neighbouring sites, to achieve reasonable levels of external and	n neighbouring sites, balconies is provided to ensure visual privacy vels of external and is achieved.		sual privacy	Generally one step in the built form as the height increases due to building separations is desirable. Additional steps should be careful not to cause a 'ziggurat' appearance.	Objective Achieved. The minimum separation distances have been met.
internal visual privacy.				For residential buildings next to commercial buildings, separation distances should be measured as follows: • for retail, office spaces and commercial balconies use the habitable	
	Building height	Habitable rooms and balconies	Non- habitable rooms	room distances • for service and plant areas use the non-habitable room distances New development should be located and oriented to maximise visual privacy between buildings on site and for neighbouring buildings.	
	up to 12m (4 storeys)	6m	3m		
	up to 25m (5-8 storeys) over 25m (9+ storeys)	9m 12m	4.5m 6m		
	Separation distances to the same site should of building separations do of room (see figure 3F	combine req epending or	uired	Design solutions include: • site layout and building orientation to minimise privacy impacts (see also section 3B Orientation) • on sloping sites, apartments on different levels have appropriate visual separation distances (see figure 3F.4)	
			ng privacy	Apartment buildings should have an increased separation distance of 3m (in addition to the requirements set out in design criteria 1) when adjacent to a different zone that permits lower density residential development to provide for a transition in scale and increased landscaping (figure 3F.5)	
				Direct lines of sight should be avoided for windows and balconies across corners. No separation is required between blank walls.	

OBJECTIVE 3F-2	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Site and building design elements increase privacy without compromising access to light and air and balance outlook and views from habitable rooms and private open space.		Communal open space, common areas and access paths should be separated from private open space and windows to apartments, particularly habitable room windows. Design solutions may include: • setbacks • solid or partially solid balustrades to balconies at lower levels • fencing and/or trees and vegetation to separate spaces • screening devices • bay windows or pop out windows to provide privacy in one direction and outlook in another • raising apartments/private open space above the public domain or communal open space • planter boxes incorporated into walls and balustrades to increase visual separation • pergolas or shading devices to limit overlooking of lower apartments or private open space • on constrained sites where it can be demonstrated that building layout opportunities are limited, fixed louvres or screen panels to windows and/or balconies	Objective Achieved. Privacy screens, planting and orientation of open spaces protect privacy and views. Details as outined in 3C and 3D.
		Bedrooms, living spaces and other habitable rooms should be separated from gallery access and other open circulation space by the apartment's service areas	
		Balconies and private terraces should be located in front of living rooms to increase internal privacy.	
		Windows should be offset from the windows of adjacent buildings. Recessed balconies and/or vertical fins should be used between adjacent balconies.	

3G PEDESTRIAN ACCESS A	ND ENTRIES		
OBJECTIVE 3G-1	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Building entries and pedestrian access connects to and addresses the public domain.		Multiple entries (including communal building entries and individual ground floor entries) should be provided to activate the street edge.	Objective Achieved. Details as outined in 3C and 3D.
		Entry locations relate to the street and subdivision pattern and the existing pedestrian network.	
		Building entries should be clearly identifiable and communal entries should be clearly distinguishable from private entries.	
		Where street frontage is limited and multiple buildings are located on the site, a primary street address should be provided with clear sight lines and pathways to secondary building entries.	
OBJECTIVE 3G-2	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Access, entries and pathways are accessible and easy to identify.		Building access areas including lift lobbies, stairwells and hallways should be clearly visible from the public domain and communal spaces.	Objective Achieved. Details as outined in 3C and 3D.
		The design of ground floors and underground car parks minimise level changes along pathways and entries.	
		Steps and ramps should be integrated into the overall building and landscape design.	
		For large developments 'way finding' maps should be provided to assist visitors and residents (see figure 4T.3).	
		For large developments electronic access and audio/video intercom should be provided to manage access.	
OBJECTIVE 3G-3	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Large sites provide pedestrian links for access to streets and connection to destinations.		Pedestrian links through sites facilitate direct connections to open space, main streets, centres and public transport.	N/A
		Pedestrian links should be direct, have clear sight lines, be overlooked by habitable rooms or private open spaces of dwellings, be well lit and contain active uses, where appropriate.	Objective Achieved. The main entry and foyer on the ground floor are linked to the side doors of the building via the wide corridor.

GN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
	Car park access should be integrated with the building's overall facade. Design solutions may include: • the materials and colour palette to minimise visibility from the street • security doors or gates at entries that minimise voids in the facade • where doors are not provided, the visible interior reflects the facade design and the building services, pipes and ducts are concealed.	Objective achieved. There is a 3m wide landscaped zone between, and perpendicular to, the two driveways that run along either side of the site (one for residents the other for garbage collection). The main pedestrian entry to the site is at the centrally located letterbox canopy that leads to the wide central graded path to the main entry of the building. The resident parking is a accessed
	Car park entries should be located behind the building line.	via a down ramp to the basement at the north-west
	Vehicle entries should be located at the lowest point of the site minimising ramp lengths, excavation and impacts on the building form and layout.	corner of the site. The narrow garbage collection graded driveway is at the north-east corner of the site. The pedestrian and vehicluar zones are made
	Car park entry and access should be located on secondary streets or lanes where available.	destinct from each other by the use of varying surfaces and colour. The driveways are visually diminished by the layered and textural landscaped
	Vehicle standing areas that increase driveway width and encroach into setbacks should be avoided.	components of the streetfront setbacks.
	Access point locations should avoid headlight glare to habitable rooms.	
	Adequate separation distances should be provided between vehicle entries and street intersections.	
	The width and number of vehicle access points should be limited to the minimum.	
	Visual impact of long driveways should be minimised through changing alignments and screen planting.	
	The need for large vehicles to enter or turn around within the site should be avoided.	
	Garbage collection, loading and servicing areas are screened. Clear sight lines should be provided at pedestrian and vehicle crossings.	
	Traffic calming devices such as changes in paving material or textures should be used where appropriate.	
	Pedestrian and vehicle access should be separated and distinguishable. Design solutions may include: • changes in surface materials • level changes	
		Car park entries should be located behind the building line. Vehicle entries should be located at the lowest point of the site minimising ramp lengths, excavation and impacts on the building form and layout. Car park entry and access should be located on secondary streets or lanes where available. Vehicle standing areas that increase driveway width and encroach into setbacks should be avoided. Access point locations should avoid headlight glare to habitable rooms. Adequate separation distances should be provided between vehicle entries and street intersections. The width and number of vehicle access points should be limited to the minimum. Visual impact of long driveways should be minimised through changing alignments and screen planting. The need for large vehicles to enter or turn around within the site should be avoided. Garbage collection, loading and servicing areas are screened. Clear sight lines should be provided at pedestrian and vehicle crossings. Traffic calming devices such as changes in paving material or textures should be used where appropriate. Pedestrian and vehicle access should be separated and distinguishable. Design solutions may include: • changes in surface materials

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3J BICYCLE AND CAR PARK	KING		
OBJECTIVE 3J-1	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Car parking is provided based on proximity to public transport in metropolitan Sydney and centres in regional areas.	• on sites that are within 800 metres of a railway station or light rail stop in the Sydney Metropolitan	Where a car share scheme operates locally, provide car share parking spaces within the development. Car share spaces, when provided, should be on site. Where less car parking is provided in a development, council should	N/A Resident car parking quotas have been provided:
	Area; or	not provide on street resident parking permits.	3 1
	 on land zoned, and sites within 400 metres of land zoned, B3 Commercial Core, B4 Mixed Use or equivalent in a nominated regional centre 		Resident car spaces: 62 (including 5 accessible) Visitor car spaces: 11 which includes 1 Carwash bay = total 73 car spaces.
	the minimum car parking requirement for residents and visitors is set out in the Guide to Traffic Generating Developments, or the car parking requirement prescribed by the relevant council, whichever is less		Bicyce racks/ storage have been provided.
	The car parking needs for a development must be provided off street.		
OBJECTIVE 3J-2	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Parking and facilities are provided for other			
modes of transport.		be provided for motorbikes and scooters.	Residents have allocated car spaces that they would use for scooters or motorbikes. A bike rack
		Secure undercover bicycle parking should be provided that is easily accessible from both the public domain and common areas.	on each level of the basement car park, adjacent
		Conveniently located charging stations are provided for electric	to the lift, provide 11 bicycle spaces.
		vehicles, where desirable.	
OBJECTIVE 3J-3	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Car park design and access is safe and secure.		Supporting facilities within car parks, including garbage, plant and switch rooms, storage areas and car wash bays can be accessed without crossing car parking spaces.	Objective Achieved. All plant, storage rooms and garbage rooms are accessed off the main aisles.
		Direct, clearly visible and well lit access should be provided into common circulation areas.	Clearly defined lift core adjacent accessible spaces allowing pedestrian access.
		A clearly defined and visible lobby or waiting area should be provided to lifts and stairs.	Firestairs have direct access off the main aisles.
		For larger car parks, safe pedestrian access should be clearly defined and circulation areas have good lighting, colour, line marking and/or bollards.	

OBJECTIVE 3J-4	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Visual and environmental impacts of underground car parking are minimised.		Excavation should be minimised through efficient car park layouts and ramp design.	Objective Achieved. The basement car park has been designed to
		Car parking layout should be well organised, using a logical, efficient structural grid and double loaded aisles.	minimise excavation and maximise the efficiency of its layout and use. There are no protrusion of
		Protrusion of car parks should not exceed 1m above ground level. Design solutions may include stepping car park levels or using split levels on sloping sites.	car park elements above ground: the wall above the basement car park entry forms the edge of the terrace wall of the communal open space above.
		Natural ventilation should be provided to basement and sub basement car parking areas.	The steel framed security roller door is perforated for ventilation.
		Ventilation grills or screening devices for car parking openings should be integrated into the facade and landscape design.	
OBJECTIVE 3J-5	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Visual and environmental impacts of on-		On-grade car parking should be avoided.	Objective Achieved.
grade car parking are minimised.		Where on-grade car parking is unavoidable, the following design solutions are used: • parking is located on the side or rear of the lot away from the primary street frontage • cars are screened from view of streets, buildings, communal and private open space areas • safe and direct access to building entry points is provided • parking is incorporated into the landscape design of the site, by extending planting and materials into the car park space • stormwater run-off is managed appropriately from car parking surfaces • bio-swales, rain gardens or on site detention tanks are provided, where appropriate • light coloured paving materials or permeable pavingsystems are used and shade trees are planted between every 4-5 parking spaces to reduce increased surface temperatures from large areas of paving.	All car parking is located in the basement.

OBJECTIVE 3J-6	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Visual and environmental impacts of above ground enclosed car parking are minimised.	DESIGN CRITERIA	Exposed parking should not be located along primary street frontages. Screening, landscaping and other design elements including public art should be used to integrate the above ground car parking with the facade. Design solutions may include: • car parking that is concealed behind the facade, with windows integrated into the overall facade design (approach should be limited to developments where a larger floor plate podium is suitable at lower levels) • car parking that is 'wrapped' with other uses, such as retail, commercial or two storey Small Office/Home Office (SOHO) units along the street frontage (see figure 3J.9)	
		Positive street address and active frontages should be provided at ground level.	

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PART 4 DESIGNING THE BUILDING

AMENITY

4A SOLAR AND DAYLIGHT ACCESS						
OBJECTIVE 4A-1	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS			
OBJECTIVE 4A-1 To optimise the number of apartments receiving sunlight to habitable rooms, primary windows and private open space	DESIGN CRITERIA 1. Living rooms and private open spaces of at least 70% of apartments in a building receive a minimum of 2 hours direct sunlight between 9 am and 3 pm at mid winter in the Sydney Metropolitan Area and in the Newcastle and Wollongong local government areas 2. In all other areas, living rooms and private	The design maximises north aspect and the number of single aspect south facing apartments is minimised Single aspect, single storey apartments should have a northerly or easterly aspect Living areas are best located to the north and service areas to the south and west of apartments To optimise the direct sunlight to habitable rooms and balconies a number of the following design features are used: • dual aspect apartments • shallow apartment layouts • two storey and mezzanine level apartments • bay windows To maximise the benefit to residents of direct sunlight within living rooms and private open spaces, a minimum of 1m2 of direct sunlight, measured at 1m above floor level, is achieved for at least 15 minutes Achieving the design criteria may not be possible on some sites. This includes: • where greater residential amenity can be achieved along a busy road or rail line by orientating the livingrooms away from the noise source • on south facing sloping sites • where significant views are oriented away from the desired aspect for direct sunlight Design drawings need to demonstrate how site constraints and	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS Overall Objective Achieved. 36 of 45 units = 80% of apartments achieve minimum required solar access to living areas or POS. There are 6 single aspect south facing apartments. There are 4 dual aspect (south-east facing) apartments that should receive direct sunlight. However, the south-eastern corner is recessed and its outlook has been screened to avoid looking out onto the garbage truck turntable and collection area adjacent and below. The building has a north-south orientation. The west and east facing apartments should achieve maximum direct sunlight if building separation minimums are upheld by the neighbouring future developments. The streetfacing north facing apartments achieve the maximum sunlight. The south-east apartments have been compromised in terms of direct sunlight. Due to the Council's policy of on-site garbage collection, the proposed building has been modified. The south-east corner should be flush with the north-east corner or built out to collect the sun. Instead it has been recessed to accommodate the garbage collection area at the rear of the site. This means the south-east apartments are overshadowed by the north-east apartments. Refer to Architectural Drawings No.			

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OBJECTIVE 4A-2	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Daylight access is maximised where sunlight is limited		Courtyards, skylights and high level windows (with sills of 1,500mm or greater) are used only as a secondary light source in habitable rooms	Overall Objective Achieved.
		materials to visible walls courtyards are fully open to the sky access is provided to the light well from a communal area for	The lightwell provides additional solar access and ventilation to the internal habitable rooms, in addition to providing additional light and ventilation to the internal common areas within the building. As it is open to the sky, it will promote cross ventilation to the common areas and assist in expelling hot air during the warmer months.
OBJECTIVE 4A-3	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Design incorporates shading and glare control, particularly for warmer months		A number of the following design features are used: • balconies or sun shading that extend far enough to shade summer sun, but allow winter sun to penetrate living areas • shading devices such as eaves, awnings, balconies, pergolas, external louvres and planting • horizontal shading to north facing windows • vertical shading to east and particularly west facingwindows • operable shading to allow adjustment and choice • high performance glass that minimises external glare off windows, with consideration given to reduced tint glass or glass with a reflectance level below 20% (reflective films are avoided)	Overall Objective Achieved. A combination of high performance glass and shading elements, such as landscaping, blade walls, overhangs, sliding privacy screens and fixed timber battens, are used for privacy and shade. Covered balconies shade the north facing units.

4B NATURAL VENTILATION			
OBJECTIVE 4B-1	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
All habitable rooms are naturally ventilated		The building's orientation maximises capture and use of prevailing breezes for natural ventilation in habitable rooms	Overall Objective Achieved.
		Depths of habitable rooms support natural ventilation	Refer to Architectural Drawings No. A1.13 SOLAR
		The area of unobstructed window openings should be equal to at least 5% of the floor area served	ACCESS AND VENTILATION PLAN
		Light wells are not the primary air source for habitable rooms	
		Doors and openable windows maximise natural ventilation opportunities by using the following design solutions: • adjustable windows with large effective openable areas • a variety of window types that provide safety and flexibility such as awnings and louvres • windows which the occupants can reconfigure to funnel breezes into the apartment such as vertical louvres, casement windows and externally opening doors	
OBJECTIVE 4B-2	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
The layout and design of single aspect apartments maximises natural ventilation		Apartment depths are limited to maximise ventilation and airflow Natural ventilation to single aspect apartments is achieved with the following design solutions: • primary windows are augmented with plenums and light wells (generally not suitable for cross ventilation) • stack effect ventilation / solar chimneys or similar to naturally ventilate internal building areas or rooms such as bathrooms and laundries • courtyards or building indentations have a width to depth ratio of 2:1 or 3:1 to ensure effective air circulation and avoid trapped smells	Overall Objective Achieved. All the apartment depths are well below the 18 metre maximum. 5 of 45 apartments which are single aspect do not achieve natural cross ventilation. Their natural ventialtion has been maximised as these are shallow apartments that open directly onto courtyards and baclonies.
OBJECTIVE 4B-3	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
ventilation is maximised to create a comfortable indoor environment for residents. b	building.	The building should include dual aspect apartments, cross through apartments and corner apartments and limit apartment depths	Overall Objective Achieved.
	Apartments at ten storeys or greater are deemed to be cross ventilated only if any enclosure of the balconies at these levels allows adequate natural ventilation and cannot be fully enclosed	In cross-through apartments external window and door opening sizes/areas on one side of an apartment (inlet side)are approximately equal to the external window and dooropening sizes/areas on the other side of the apartment (outlet side)	40 of 45 apartments = 89% achieve natural cross ventilation

OBJECTIVE 4B-3 continued	DESIGN CRIT	ERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
	through apartm	of a cross-over or cross- ent does not exceed 18m,	Apartments are designed to minimise the number of corners, doors and rooms that might obstruct airflow	Overall Objective Achieved.
			Apartment depths, combined with appropriate ceiling heights, maximise cross ventilation and airflow	All the apartment depths are well below the 18 metre maximum.
4C CEILING HEIGHTS				
OBJECTIVE 4C-1	DESIGN CRIT	ERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Ceiling height achieves sufficient natural ventilation and daylight access		om finished floor level to glevel, minimum ceiling	Ceiling height can accommodate use of ceiling fans for cooling and heat distribution	Overall Objective Achieved.
		mixed use buildings		All habitable rooms have a minimum 2.7m ceiling height (3.1m slab to slab) and all non habitable
	Habitable rooms Non-habitable	2.7m 2.4m		rooms have a minimum of 2.4m height.
	For 2 storey apartments	2.7m for main living area floor 2.4m for second floor, where its area does not exceed 50% of the apartment area		
	Attic spaces	1.8m at edge of room with a 30 degree minimum ceiling slope		
	If located in mixed used areas	3.3m for ground and first floor to promote future flexibility of use		
	These minimu ceilings if desi	ms do not preclude higher red		
OBJECTIVE 4C-2	DESIGN CRIT	ERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Ceiling height increases the sense of space in apartments and provides for well proportioned rooms			A number of the following design solutions can be used: • the hierarchy of rooms in an apartment is defined using changes in ceiling heights and alternatives such as raked or curved ceilings, or double height spaces • well proportioned rooms are provided, for example, smaller rooms feel larger and more spacious with higher ceilings • ceiling heights are maximised in habitable rooms by ensuring that bulkheads do not intrude. The stacking of service rooms from floor to floor and coordination of bulkhead location above non-habitable areas, such as robes or storage, can assist	Overall Objective Achieved.
OBJECTIVE 4C-3	DESIGN CRIT	ERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Ceiling heights contribute to the flexibility of building use over the life of the building			Ceiling heights of lower level apartments in centres should be greater than the minimum required by the design criteria allowing flexibility and conversion to non-residential uses	Overall Objective Achieved. The ground floor apartments enjoy higher ceilings than the minimum 2.7m ceiling height (3.24m slab to slab).

OBJECTIVE 4D-1	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS	
The layout of rooms within an apartment is functional, well organised and provides a	Apartments are required to have the following minimum internal areas:	Kitchens should not be located as part of the main circulation space in larger apartments (such as hallway or entry space)	Overall Objective Achieved.	
high standard of amenity	Apartment type Minimum internal area	A window should be visible from any point in a habitable room	Kitchens are not part of the circulation spaces of any of the apartments.	
	Studio 35m² 1 bedroom 50m²	Where minimum areas or room dimensions are not met apartments need to demonstrate that they are well designed and demonstrate the	•	
	2 bedroom 70m² 3 bedroom 90m²	usability and functionality of the space with realistically scaled furniture layouts and circulation areas. These circumstances would be assessed on their merits		
	The minimum internal areas include only one bathroom. Additional bathrooms increase the minimum internal area by 5m2 each. A fourth bedroom and further additional bedrooms increase the minimum internal area by 12m2 each 2. Every habitable room must have a window in an external wall with a total minimum glass area of not less than 10% of the floor area of the room. Daylight and air may not be borrowed from other rooms	Apartment type Studio 1 bedroom 2 bedroom 3 bedroom	Minimum internal Area internal Areas 35sqm 35sqm 50sqm 50sqm 70sqm 83sqm 90sqm 115sqm	
DBJECTIVE 4D-2	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS	
Environmental performance of the apartment is maximised	Habitable room depths are limited to a maximum of 2.5 x the ceiling height In open plan layouts (where the living, dining and kitchen are combined) the maximum habitable room depth is 8m from a window	Greater than minimum ceiling heights can allow for proportional increases in room depth up to the permitted maximum depths All living areas and bedrooms should be located on the external face of the building Where possible: • bathrooms and laundries should have an external openable window • main living spaces should be oriented toward the primary outlook and aspect and away from noise sources	Overall Objective Achieved. There are some apartments with rooms that have windows that open onto an internal lightwell that extends up the building from the large ground flooplanter. The light well has 3 "green" walls and the 4th "edge" is screened vertically along the corridorside for privacy and safety from the first floor to the uppermost floor's ceiling.	

OBJECTIVE 4D-3	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Apartment layouts are designed to accommodate a variety of household activities and needs	Master bedrooms have a minimum area of 10m2 and other bedrooms 9m2 (excluding wardrobe space)	Access to bedrooms, bathrooms and laundries is separated from living areas minimising direct openings between living and service areas	Overall Objective Achieved. All proposed bedrooms are at least 11sqm and 3 metres wide.
	Bedrooms have a minimum dimension of Gam (excluding wardrobe space)	All bedrooms allow a minimum length of 1.5m for robes	All bedrooms have robes, either built- in or walk-in, of 1.5m and 1.8m minimum lengths
	 3. Living rooms or combined living/dining rooms have a minimum width of: 3.6m for studio and 1 bedroom apartments 4m for 2 and 3 bedroom apartments 	The main bedroom of an apartment or a studio apartment should be provided with a wardrobe of a minimum 1.8m long, 0.6m deep and 2.1m high	Minimum living area width for studio or 1 bedroom apartments is 3.7m and for 2 and 3 bedrooms is 4.3m wide.
	4. The width of cross-over or cross-through apartments are at least 4m internally to avoid deep narrow apartment layouts	Apartment layouts allow flexibility over time, design solutions may include: • dimensions that facilitate a variety of furniture arrangements and removal • spaces for a range of activities and privacy levels between different spaces within the apartment • dual master apartments • dual key apartments Note: dual key apartments which are separate but on the same title are regarded as two sole occupancy units for the purposes of the Building Code of Australia and for calculating the mix of apartments • room sizes and proportions or open plans (rectangular spaces (2:3) are more easily furnished than square spaces (1:1)) • efficient planning of circulation by stairs, corridors and through rooms to maximise the amount of usable floor space in rooms	Overall Objective Achieved.

OBJECTIVE 4E-1	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN CRITERIA		DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Apartments provide appropriately sized private open space and balconies to	All apartments are required to have primary balconies as follows:		have	Increased communal open space should be provided where the number or size of balconies are reduced.	Overall Objective Achieved.
enhance residential amenity	Dwelling type	Minimum area	Minimum depth	Storage areas on balconies is additional to the minimum balcony size	Minimum depth and area requirements of all apartment balconies, and ground floor POS, have
	Studio apartments	4m²	-		been met or have been exceeded.
	1 bedroom apartments	8m²	2m	Balcony use may be limited in some proposals by:	N/A
	2 bedroom apartments	10m²	2m	consistently high wind speeds at 10 storeys and above	
	balcony depth to be co	3+ bedroom apartments 12m² 2.4m balcony depth to be counted as contributing to the balcony area is 1m		close proximity to road, rail or other noise sources exposure to significant levels of aircraft noise heritage and adaptive reuse of existing buildings In these situations, juliet balconies, operable walls, enclosed wintergardens or bay windows may be appropriate, and other amenity benefits for occupants should also be provided in the apartments or in the development or both. Natural ventilation also needs to be demonstrated	
	2. For apartments at ground level or on a podium or similar structure, a private open space is provided instead of a balcony. It must have a minimum area of 15m2 and a minimum depth of 3m		vate open alcony. It		
OBJECTIVE 4E-2	DESIGN CRITERIA			DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Primary private open space and balconies are appropriately located to enhance				Primary open space and balconies should be located adjacent to the living room, dining room or kitchen to extend the living space	Overall Objective Achieved. Private open spaces and balconies are located off the living areas, and
liveability for residents				Primary open space and balconies should be located adjacent to the living room, dining room or kitchen to extend the living space	where possible, secondary open spaces are accessed from bedrooms.
				Primary open space and balconies should be orientated with the longer side facing outwards or be open to the sky to optimise daylight access into adjacent rooms	
OBJECTIVE 4E-3	DESIGN CRITERIA			DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Private open space and balcony design is integrated into and contributes to the overall architectural form and detail of the building				Solid, partially solid or transparent fences and balustrades are selected to respond to the location. They are designed to allow views and passive surveillance of the street while maintaining visual privacy and allowing for a range of uses on the balcony. Solid and partially solid balustrades are preferred	Overall Objective Achieved. All private open spaces and balconies have been integrated into the overall architectural form. They compromise o a mixture of solid blade walls, glass and solid balustrades, with some partially screened for privacy and shading.
				Full width full height glass balustrades alone are generally not desirable	
				Projecting balconies should be integrated into the building design and the design of soffits considered	

OBJECTIVE 4E-3 continued	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
		Operable screens, shutters, hoods and pergolas are used to control sunlight and wind	As above
		Balustrades are set back from the building or balcony edge where overlooking or safety is an issue	
		Downpipes and balcony drainage are integrated with the overall facade and building design	
		Air-conditioning units should be located on roofs, in basements, or fully integrated into the building design	
		Where clothes drying, storage or air conditioning units are located on balconies, they should be screened and integrated in the building design	
		Ceilings of apartments below terraces should be insulated to avoid heat loss	
		Water and gas outlets should be provided for primary balconies and private open space.	
OBJECTIVE 4E-4	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Private open space and balcony design maximises safety		Changes in ground levels or landscaping are minimised	Overall Objective Achieved.
		Design and detailing of balconies avoids opportunities for climbing and falls.	

OBJECTIVE 4F-1	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Common circulation spaces achieve good amenity and properly service the number of apartments	The maximum number of apartments off a circulation core on a single level is eight	Greater than minimum requirements for corridor widths and/or ceiling heights allow comfortable movement and access particularly in entry lobbies, outside lifts and at apartment entry doors	Overall Objective Achieved. A centrally located lift services a wide corridor each level with windows or doors at each at end,
	For buildings of 10 storeys and over, the maximum number of apartments sharing a	Daylight and natural ventilation should be provided to all common circulation spaces that are above ground	adjacent each firestair. The firestair has window openings to promote regular use of the stairs, not just in case of a fire. The number of apartments of
	single lift is 40	Windows should be provided in common circulation spaces and	the circulation core varies from 4 to 9. The ground
		Longer corridors greater than 12m in length from the lift core should be articulated. Design solutions may include: • a series of foyer areas with windows and spaces for seating • wider areas at apartment entry doors and varied ceiling heights	floor has a total of 7 apartments; levels 1 and 3 each have 9 apartments; levels 2 and 4 each have 8 apartments; and level 5 has 4 apartments. Levels 1 and 3 originally had a dual key apartment each, making a total of 8 apartments per level. As the proposal has been redesigned to accommodate the on-site garbage collection, compromises were made in the apartment mix and layouts.
		Design common circulation spaces to maximise opportunities for dual aspect apartments, including multiple core apartment buildings and cross over apartments	
		Achieving the design criteria for the number of apartments off a circulation core may not be possible. Where a development is unable to achieve the design criteria, a high level of amenity for common lobbies, corridors and apartments should be demonstrated, including: • sunlight and natural cross ventilation in apartments • access to ample daylight and natural ventilation in common circulation spaces • common areas for seating and gathering • generous corridors with greater than minimum ceiling heights • other innovative design solutions that provide high levels of amenity	
		Where design criteria 1 is not achieved, no more than 12 apartments should be provided off a circulation core on a single level	
		Primary living room or bedroom windows should not open directly onto common circulation spaces, whether open or enclosed. Visual and acoustic privacy from common circulation spaces to any other rooms should be carefully controlled	Refer to 4D.2

OBJECTIVE 4F-2	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Common circulation spaces promote safety and provide for social interaction between residents		Direct and legible access should be provided between vertical circulation points and apartment entries by minimising corridor or gallery length to give short, straight, clear sight lines	Overall Objective Achieved.
		Tight corners and spaces are avoided	
		Circulation spaces should be well lit at night	
		Legible signage should be provided for apartment numbers, common areas and general wayfinding	
		Incidental spaces, for example space for seating in a corridor, at a stair landing, or near a window are provided	
		In larger developments, community rooms for activities such as owners corporation meetings or resident use should be provided and are ideally co-located with communal open space	
		Where external galleries are provided, they are more open than closed above the balustrade along their length	

OBJECTIVE 4G-1	DESIGN CRITERIA		DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Adequate, well designed storage is provided in each apartment	In addition to storage in kitchens, bathrooms and bedrooms, the following		Storage is accessible from either circulation or living areas	Overall Objective Achieved. Minimum storage requirements for each apartment have been met or
	Dwelling type	Storage size volume	Storage provided on balconies (in addition to the minimum balcony size) is integrated into the balcony design, weather proof and	exceeded.
	Studio apartments	4m³	screened from view from the street	
	1 bedroom apartments	6m³	Left over space such as under stairs is used for storage	-
	2 bedroom apartments	8m³	Lon over space such as under stand to ased for storage	
	3+ bedroom apartments	10m³		
	At least 50% of the req located within the apar			
OBJECTIVE 4G-2	DESIGN CRITERIA		DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Additional storage is conveniently located, accessible and nominated for individual			Storage not located in apartments is secure and clearly allocated to specific apartments	Overall Objective Achieved. More storage and accessible storage is located in the Basement car
apartments			Storage is provided for larger and less frequently accessed items	park.
			Storage space in internal or basement car parks is provided at the rear or side of car spaces or in cages so that allocated car parking remains accessible	
			If communal storage rooms are provided they should be accessible from common circulation areas of the building	
			Storage not located in an apartment is integrated into the overall building design and is not visible from the public domain	

OBJECTIVE 4H-1	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Noise transfer is minimised through the siting of buildings and building layout		Adequate building separation is provided within the development and from neighbouring buildings/adjacent uses (see also section 2F Building separation and section 3F Visual privacy)	Overall Objective Achieved. Minimal party walls to each apartment a maximum of two.
		Window and door openings are generally orientated away from noise sources	
		Noisy areas within buildings including building entries and corridors should be located next to or above each other and quieter areas next to or above quieter areas	Noise sources such as lift, garbage chutes are to be acoustically treated to minimise noise. Habitable rooms alongside Garbage area to be acoustically treated.
		Storage, circulation areas and non-habitable rooms should be located to buffer noise from external sources	
		The number of party walls (walls shared with other apartments) are limited and are appropriately insulated	
		Noise sources such as garage doors, driveways, service areas, plant rooms, building services, mechanical equipment, active communal open spaces and circulation areas should be located at least 3m away from bedrooms	
OBJECTIVE 4H-2	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Noise impacts are mitigated within apartments through layout and acoustic treatments		Internal apartment layout separates noisy spaces from quiet spaces, using a number of the following design solutions: • rooms with similar noise requirements are grouped together • doors separate different use zones • wardrobes in bedrooms are co-located to act as sound buffers	Overall Objective Achieved.
		Where physical separation cannot be achieved noise conflicts are resolved using the following design solutions: • double or acoustic glazing • acoustic seals • use of materials with low noise penetration properties • continuous walls to ground level courtyards where they do not conflict with streetscape or other amenity requirements	Refer to Acoustic Assesment Report for treatments to reduce noise to apartments and dampen noise and vibration around lift core and garbage chute.

OBJECTIVE 4J-1	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
In noisy or hostile environments the impacts of external noise and pollution are minimised through the careful siting and layout of buildings		To minimise impacts the following design solutions may be used: • physical separation between buildings and the noise or pollution source • residential uses are located perpendicular to the noise source and where possible buffered by other uses • non-residential buildings are sited to be parallel with the noise source to provide a continuous building that shields residential uses and communal open spaces • non-residential uses are located at lower levels vertically separating the residential component from the noise or pollution source. Setbacks to the underside of residential floor levels should increase relative to traffic volumes and other noise sources • buildings should respond to both solar access and noise. Where solar access is away from the noise source, nonhabitable rooms can provide a buffer • where solar access is in the same direction as the noise source, dual aspect apartments with shallow building depths are preferable (see figure 4J.4) • landscape design reduces the perception of noise and acts as a filter for air pollution generated by traffic and industry	Overall Objective Achieved.
		Achieving the design criteria in this Apartment Design Guide may not be possible in some situations due to noiseand pollution. Where developments are unable to achievethe design criteria, alternatives may be considered in the following areas: • solar and daylight access • private open space and balconies • natural cross ventilation	
OBJECTIVE 4J-2	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Appropriate noise shielding or attenuation techniques for the building design, construction and choice of materials are used to mitigate noise transmission		Design solutions to mitigate noise include: • limiting the number and size of openings facing noise sources • providing seals to prevent noise transfer through gaps • using double or acoustic glazing, acoustic louvres or enclosed balconies (wintergardens) • using materials with mass and/or sound insulation or absorption properties e.g. solid balcony balustrades, external screens and soffits	Overall Objective Achieved.

CONFIGURATION

4K APARTMENT MIX			
OBJECTIVE 4K-1	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
A range of apartment types and sizes is provided to cater for different household types now and into the future		A variety of apartment types is provided The apartment mix is appropriate, taking into consideration: • the distance to public transport, employment and education centres • the current market demands and projected future demographic trends • the demand for social and affordable housing • different cultural and socioeconomic groups Flexible apartment configurations are provided to support diverse household types and stages of life including single person households, families, multi-generational families and group households	Overall Objective Achieved. A variety of apartment types is proposed to meet the socio-economic demand of the area. Each level varies its mix of studio, 1 bedroom, 2 bedroom and 3 bedroom apartments.
OBJECTIVE 4K-2	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
The apartment mix is distributed to suitable locations within the building		Different apartment types are located to achieve successful facade composition and to optimise solar access (see figure 4K.3)	Overall Objective Achieved.
		Larger apartment types are located on the ground or roof level where there is potential for more open space and on corners where more building frontage is available	

4L GROUND FLOOR APARTI	4L GROUND FLOOR APARTMENTS				
OBJECTIVE 4L-1	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS		
Street frontage activity is maximised where ground floor apartments are located		Direct street access should be provided to ground floor apartments	Overall Objective Achieved. The main entry and four ground floor apartments face the street and		
		and banding. Bodigit oblations may include.	have direct access to their apartments from the street via their front courtyards. The apartments on the floors directly above them also address the street.		
		(SOHO) use to provide future opportunities for conversion into commercial or retail areas. In these cases provide higher floor to ceiling heights and ground floor amenities for easy conversion			
OBJECTIVE 4L-2	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS		
Design of ground floor apartments delivers amenity and safety for residents		Privacy and safety should be provided without obstructing casual surveillance. Design solutions may include: • elevation of private gardens and terraces above the street level by 1-1.5m (see figure 4L.4) • landscaping and private courtyards • window sill heights that minimise sight lines into apartments • integrating balustrades, safety bars or screens with the exterior design	Overall Objective Achieved. As detailed in Objectives 3B and 3C.		
		Solar access should be maximised through: • high ceilings and tall windows • trees and shrubs that allow solar access in winter and shade in summer			

4M FACADES			
OBJECTIVE 4M-1	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Building facades provide visual interest along the street while respecting the character of the local area		Design solutions for front building facades may include: • a composition of varied building elements • a defined base, middle and top of buildings • revealing and concealing certain elements • changes in texture, material, detail and colour to modify the prominence of elements Building services should be integrated within the overall facade	Overall Objective Achieved. The proposed building envelope is an elegant, articulated, and textured composition of various architectural elements and colours. The repetition of strong vertical and horizontal elements create symmetry and balance. Balconies project out from the building and overhang those below. Others are stacked and enclosed within blade walls. The proposed building
		Building facades should be well resolved with an appropriate scale and proportion to the streetscape and human scale. Design solutions may include: • well composed horizontal and vertical elements • variation in floor heights to enhance the human scale • elements that are proportional and arranged in patterns • public artwork or treatments to exterior blank walls • grouping of floors or elements such as balconies and windows on taller buildings	provides visual interest along the street while respecting the character of the local area in terms of colours, materials and landscaping.
		Building facades relate to key datum lines of adjacent buildings through upper level setbacks, parapets, cornices, awnings or colonnade heights	
		Shadow is created on the facade throughout the day with building articulation, balconies and deeper window reveals	
OBJECTIVE 4M-2	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Building functions are expressed by the facade		Building entries should be clearly defined	Overall Objective Achieved. As detailed in Objectives 3B and 3C.
		Important corners are given visual prominence through a change in articulation, materials or colour, roof expression or changes in height	
		The apartment layout should be expressed externally through facade features such as party walls and floor slabs	

4N ROOF DESIGN			
OBJECTIVE 4N-1	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Roof treatments are integrated into the building design and positively respond to the street		Roof design relates to the street. Design solutions may include: • special roof features and strong corners • use of skillion or very low pitch hipped roofs • breaking down the massing of the roof by using smaller elements to avoid bulk • using materials or a pitched form complementary to adjacent buildings	Overall Objective Achieved. The concrete roof design is integrated into the building design. The communal open space on the roof terrace is landscaped to enhance the amenity of the residents and the area.
		Roof treatments should be integrated with the building design. Design solutions may include: • roof design proportionate to the overall building size, scale and form • roof materials compliment the building • service elements are integrated	
OBJECTIVE 4N-2	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Opportunities to use roof space for residential accommodation and open space are maximised		Habitable roof space should be provided with good levels of amenity. Design solutions may include: • penthouse apartments • dormer or clerestory windows • openable skylights	Overall Objective Achieved. Proposed are 4 penthouse apartments and a semi-covered communal terrace on the top level of the building.
		Open space is provided on roof tops subject to acceptable visual and acoustic privacy, comfort levels, safety and security considerations	
OBJECTIVE 4N-3	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Roof design incorporates sustainability features		Roof design maximises solar access to apartments during winter and provides shade during summer. Design solutions may include: • the roof lifts to the north • eaves and overhangs shade walls and windows from summer sun Skylights and ventilation systems should be integrated intothe roof design	Overall Objective Achieved. Maximum solar access and shading have been utlised for the top floor apartments.

OBJECTIVE 40-1	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Landscape design is viable and sustainable		Landscape design should be environmentally sustainable and can enhance environmental performance by incorporating: • diverse and appropriate planting • bio-filtration gardens • appropriately planted shading trees • areas for residents to plant vegetables and herbs • composting • green roofs or walls	Overall Objective Achieved. Please refer to the LANDSCAPE PLANS prepared by a Landscape Architect. The site will be generously landscaped along the site's boundaries, in the commuunal open areas and in private courtyards. The ground floor apartments will enjoy private landscaped courtyards while the upper level south facing apartments each enjoy large balconies looking out to the site's communal landscaping area.
		Ongoing maintenance plans should be prepared Microclimate is enhanced by: • appropriately scaled trees near the eastern and western elevations for shade • a balance of evergreen and deciduous trees to provide shading in summer and sunlight access in winter • shade structures such as pergolas for balconies and courtyards	This proposal maintains the existing biodiversity and seeks further facilitate biodiversity with the proposed amount of native plants which not only require less irrigation, but also reduce the amount of stormwater runoff, erosion and sedimentation.
		Tree and shrub selection considers size at maturity and the potential for roots to compete (see Table 4)	
OBJECTIVE 4O-2	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Landscape design contributes to the streetscape and amenity		Landscape design responds to the existing site conditions including:	Overall Objective Achieved. Please refer to the LANDSCAPE PLANS prepared by a Landscape Architect.
		Significant landscape features should be protected by: • tree protection zones (see figure 40.5) • appropriate signage and fencing during construction	The extensive landscaped areas proposed provide enhanced amenity for the residents and neighbours and is in keeping with the local area.
		Plants selected should be endemic to the region and reflect the local ecology	

OBJECTIVI	E 4P-1	DESIGN CRITERIA		1	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Appropriate :	soil profiles are provided				Structures are reinforced for additional saturated soil weight	Overall Objective Achieved.
Table 5 Minimum soil standards for plant types and sizes					Soil volume is appropriate for plant growth, considerations include:	Please refer to the LANDSCAPE PLANS prepared
Plant type Large trees	Definition 12-18m high, up to 16m crown spread at maturity	Soil volume	Soil depth	Soil area 10m x 10m or equivalent	modifying depths and widths according to the planting mix and irrigation frequency	by a Landscape Architect. This application proposes to retain two mature trees to the rear of
Medium trees	8-12m high, up to 8m crown spread at maturity	35m³	1,000mm	6m x 6m or equivalent	 free draining and long soil life span tree anchorage 	the site and establish 2 new large and 10 new medium trees.
Small trees	6-8m high, up to 4m crown spread at maturity	9m³	800mm	3.5m x 3.5m or equivalent		
Shrubs			500-600mm		Minimum soil standards for plant sizes should be provided	1
Ground cover			300-450mm		in accordance with Table 5	
Turf			200mm			
Note: The above has	been calculated assuming fortnightly irrigation. Any sub-	surface drainage re	equirements are in add	ition to the above minimum soil depths		
OBJECTIVE 4P-2 Plant growth is optimised with appropriate selection and maintenance		growth is optimised with appropriate		1	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
				Plants are suited to site conditions, considerations include: • drought and wind tolerance • seasonal changes in solar access • modified substrate depths for a diverse range of plants • plant longevity A landscape maintenance plan is prepared Irrigation and drainage systems respond to: • changing site conditions • soil profile and the planting regime • whether rainwater, stormwater or recycled grey water is used	Overall Objective Achieved. Please refer to the LANDSCAPE PLANS prepared by a Landscape Architect.	
OBJECTIVI	E 4P-3	DESIGI	N CRITERIA	1	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
•	structures contributes to the amenity of communal and public				Building design incorporates opportunities for planting on structures. Design solutions may include: • green walls with specialised lighting for indoor green walls • wall design that incorporates planting • green roofs, particularly where roofs are visible from the public domain • planter boxes Note: structures designed to accommodate green walls should be integrated into the building facade and consider the ability of the facade to change over time	Overall Objective Achieved. Please refer to the LANDSCAPE PLANS prepared by a Landscape Architect. Green walls framing the internal lightwe are to run from the ground floor to the uppermost floor.

OBJECTIVE 4Q-1	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Universal design features are included in apartment design to promote flexible housing for all community members		Developments achieve a benchmark of 20% of the total apartments incorporating the Livable Housing Guideline's silver level universal design features	Overall Objective Achieved. 30 (67%) apartments meet or exceed the seven core Livable Housing design elements of the Silver level that are applicable to apartment design. There are five adaptable units (11%) plus 25 two and three bedroom apartments (56%) that meeet this criteria. The main bathrooms of 15 apartments have showers over bath tubs, however, the larger apartments with ensuites have hobless showers.
OBJECTIVE 4Q-2	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
A variety of apartments with adaptable designs are provided		Adaptable housing should be provided in accordance with the relevant council policy Design solutions for adaptable apartments include: • convenient access to communal and public areas • high level of solar access • minimal structural change and residential amenity loss when adapted larger car parking spaces for accessibility • parking titled separately from apartments or shared car parking arrangements	Overall Objective Achieved. There are five adaptable units (11%) composed of 4 one bedroom apartments and 1 two bedroom apartment. The four adaptable one bedroom apartments are located in the same position on four levels- opposite the lift and with a northern aspect. Both the ground floor adaptable one and two bedroom apartments open out to generously landscaped courtyards. The two bedroom has a dual aspect: south-west. Five accessable car spaces are located adjacent to the lift in the basement as well as additional accessable storage areas.
OBJECTIVE 4Q-3	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Apartment layouts are flexible and accommodate a range of lifestyle needs		Apartment design incorporates flexible design solutions which may include: • rooms with multiple functions • dual master bedroom apartments with separate bathrooms • larger apartments with various living space options • open plan 'loft' style apartments with only a fixed kitchen, laundry and bathroom	Overall Objective Achieved. A variety of apartment layouts, outdoor areas and features have been proposed. Apartment type Number Studio 1 1 bedroom 17 1 bedroom + study 1 2 bedroom 21 2 bedroom + study 3 3 bedroom 2 TOTAL 45

DBJECTIVE 4R-1	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
ew additions to existing buildings are ontemporary and complementary and nhance an area's identity and sense of place		Design solutions may include: • new elements to align with the existing building • additions that complement the existing character, siting, scale, proportion, pattern, form and detailing • use of contemporary and complementary materials, finishes, textures and colours Additions to heritage items should be clearly identifiable from the original building New additions allow for the interpretation and future evolution of the building	N/A
OBJECTIVE 4R-2	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
dapted buildings provide residential menity while not precluding future adaptive euse		Design features should be incorporated sensitively into adapted buildings to make up for any physical limitations, to ensure residential amenity is achieved. Design solutions may include: • generously sized voids in deeper buildings • alternative apartment types when orientation is poor • using additions to expand the existing building envelope Some proposals that adapt existing buildings may not be able to achieve all of the design criteria in this Apartment Design Guide. Where developments are unable to achieve the design criteria, alternatives could be considered in the following areas: • where there are existing higher ceilings, depths of habitable rooms could increase subject to demonstrating access to natural ventilation, cross ventilation (when applicable) and solar and daylight access (see also sections 4A Solar and daylight access and 4B Natural ventilation) • alternatives to providing deep soil where less than the minimum requirement is currently available on the site • building and visual separation – subject to demonstrating alternative design approaches to achieving privacy • common circulation • car parking • alternative approaches to private open space and balconies	N/A

OBJECTIVE 4S-1	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Mixed use developments are provided in appropriate locations and provide active street frontages that encourage pedestrian movement		Mixed use development should be concentrated around public transport and centres	N/A
		Mixed use developments positively contribute to the public domain. Design solutions may include: • development addresses the street • active frontages are provided • diverse activities and uses • avoiding blank walls at the ground level • live/work apartments on the ground floor level, rather than commercial	
OBJECTIVE 4S-2	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Residential levels of the building are ntegrated within the development, and afety and amenity is maximised for residents		Residential circulation areas should be clearly defined. Design solutions may include: residential entries are separated from commercial entries and directly accessible from the street commercial service areas are separated from residential component: residential car parking and communal facilities are separated or secured secured security at entries and safe pedestrian routes are provided concealment opportunities are avoided	N/A
		Landscaped communal open space should be provided at podium or roof levels	

OBJECTIVE 4T-1	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Awnings are well located and complement and integrate with the building design		Awnings should be located along streets with high pedestrian activity and active frontages	Overall Objective Achieved. There is no street awning proposed, only a clear "Suntuf" awning that
		A number of the following design solutions are used: • continuous awnings are maintained and provided in areas with an existing pattern • height, depth, material and form complements the existing street character • protection from the sun and rain is provided • awnings are wrapped around the secondary frontages of corner sites • awnings are retractable in areas without an established pattern	spans from the letterbox canopy to the main entry over the main pathway.
		Awnings should be located over building entries for building address and public domain amenity	
		Awnings relate to residential windows, balconies, street tree planting, power poles and street infrastructure	
		Gutters and down pipes should be integrated and concealed	1
		Lighting under awnings should be provided for pedestrian safety	
OBJECTIVE 4T-2	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Signage responds to the context and desired streetscape character		Signage should be integrated into the building design and respond to the scale, proportion and detailing of the development	Overall Objective Achieved.
		Legible and discrete way finding should be provided for larger developments	
		Signage is limited to being on and below awnings and a single facade sign on the primary street frontage	

4U ENERGY EFFICIENCY			
OBJECTIVE 4U-1	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Development incorporates passive environmental design	Passive environmental and energy efficient design is about the ability of an apartment to manage thermal performance (thermal comfort) and daylight access, providing increased amenity to occupants and reducing	Adequate natural light is provided to habitable rooms (see 4A Solar and daylight access) Well located, screened outdoor areas should be provided for clothes	Overall Objective Achieved. Refer to Architectural Drawings No. A1.13 SOLAR ACCESS AND VENTILATION PLAN As per the DCP requirement, balconies have moveable or fixed screens.
ODJECTIVE ALL 2	energy costs.		
OBJECTIVE 4U-2	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Development incorporates passive solar design to optimise heat storage in winter and reduce heat transfer in summer	This section offers guidance on meeting BASIX sustainability requirements and other rating systems through better design practice. For additional design practice linked to passive environmental design and energy efficiency see sections 4A Solar and daylight access, 4B Natural ventilation and 4D Apartment size and layout.	A number of the following design solutions are used: • the use of smart glass or other technologies on north and west elevations • thermal mass in the floors and walls of north facing rooms is maximised • polished concrete floors, tiles or timber rather than carpet • insulated roofs, walls and floors and seals on window and door openings • overhangs and shading devices such as awnings, blinds and screens Provision of consolidated heating and cooling infrastructure should be located in a centralised location (e.g. the basement)	
OBJECTIVE 4U-3	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Adequate natural ventilation minimises the	DESIGN CRITERIA	A number of the following design solutions are used:	Overall Objective Achieved. Refer to Architectural
need for mechanical ventilation		rooms with similar usage are grouped together	Drawings No. A1.13 SOLAR ACCESS AND
		natural cross ventilation for apartments is optimised	VENTILATION PLAN . Mechanical ventilation
		natural ventilation is provided to all habitable rooms and as many	used for non habitable rooms such as bathrooms.
		non-habitable rooms, common areas and circulation spaces as possible	Habitable rooms achieve required natural ventilation.

OBJECTIVE 4V-1	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Potable water use is minimised		Water efficient fittings, appliances and wastewater reuse should be incorporated	Overall Objective Achieved. Water efficient fittings and appliances will be installed. Apartments will be
		Apartments should be individually metered	individually metered. Appropriate plants selected.
		Rainwater should be collected, stored and reused on site	
		Drought tolerant, low water use plants should be used within landscaped areas	
OBJECTIVE 4V-2	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Urban stormwater is treated on site before being discharged to receiving waters		Water sensitive urban design systems are designed by a suitably qualified professional	Overall Objective Achieved. There is a Hydraulic Plan submitted as part of this application. Future water design solutions will be provided as part of construction documentation.
		A number of the following design solutions are used: • runoff is collected from roofs and balconies in water tanks and plumbed into toilets, laundry and irrigation • porous and open paving materials is maximised • on site stormwater and infiltration, including bio-retention systems such as rain gardens or street tree pits	
OBJECTIVE 4V-3	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Flood management systems are integrated into site design		Detention tanks should be located under paved areas, driveways or in basement car parks	Overall Objective Achieved.
		On large sites parks or open spaces are designed to provide temporary on site detention basins	

OBJECTIVE 4W-1	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Waste storage facilities are designed to minimise impacts on the streetscape, building entry and amenity of residents		Adequately sized storage areas for rubbish bins should be located discreetly away from the front of the development or in the basement car park	Overall Objective Achieved. There has been extensive Waste and Garbage Collection discussions with Council. All recommendations have been adopted in this application.
		Waste and recycling storage areas should be well ventilated	
		Circulation design allows bins to be easily manoeuvred between storage and collection points	
		Temporary storage should be provided for large bulk items such as mattresses	
		A waste management plan should be prepared	
OBJECTIVE 4W-2	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Domestic waste is minimised by providing safe and convenient source separation and recycling		All dwellings should have a waste and recycling cupboard or temporary storage area of sufficient size to hold two days worth of waste and recycling	Overall Objective Achieved. There has been extensive Waste and Garbage Collection discussions with Council. All recommendations
		Communal waste and recycling rooms are in convenient and accessible locations related to each vertical core	have been adopted in this application.
		For mixed use developments, residential waste and recycling storage areas and access should be separate and secure from other uses	
		Alternative waste disposal methods such as composting should be provided	

4X BUILDING MAINTENANCE			
OBJECTIVE 4X-1	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Building design detail provides protection from weathering		A number of the following design solutions are used: • roof overhangs to protect walls • hoods over windows and doors to protect openings • detailing horizontal edges with drip lines to avoid staining of surfaces • methods to eliminate or reduce planter box leaching • appropriate design and material selection for hostile locations	Overall Objective Achieved.
OBJECTIVE 4X-2	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Systems and access enable ease of maintenance		Window design enables cleaning from the inside of the building Building maintenance systems should be incorporated and integrated into the design of the building form, roof and facade Design solutions do not require external scaffolding for maintenance access Manually operated systems such as blinds, sunshades and curtains are used in preference to mechanical systems Centralised maintenance, services and storage should be provided for communal open space areas within the building	Overall Objective Achieved.
OBJECTIVE 4X-3	DESIGN CRITERIA	DESIGN GUIDANCE	ARCHITECT'S COMMENTS
Material selection reduces ongoing maintenance costs		A number of the following design solutions are used: • sensors to control artificial lighting in common circulation and spaces • natural materials that weather well and improve with time such as face brickwork • easily cleaned surfaces that are graffiti resistant • robust and durable materials and finishes are used in locations which receive heavy wear and tear, such as common circulation areas and lift interiors	Overall Objective Achieved.

I believe that the design of this residential apartment development achieves the design quality principles set out in SEPP 65 and Sections 3 and 4 of the Apartment Design Guide. Signed

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