



CITY OF PARRAMATTA

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Dear Ellen

197 Church Street Parramatta - Draft Design Competition Brief

In accordance with the *Director General's Design Excellence Guidelines*, Council acknowledges the submission of the revised Draft Design Competition Brief, received on 31 March 2016, for 197 Church St, Parramatta.


Council has reviewed the submitted Draft Design Competition Brief and considers that the submission has satisfied all the requirements of the *Director General's Guidelines* and accordingly the draft brief has been endorsed.

It should be noted that the endorsed Design Competition Brief is associated with a Planning Proposal that has not yet been forwarded to the Department of Planning and Environment for Gateway Determination. Given that the Planning Proposal has not been finalised, the design brief may need to be amended prior to the competition proceeding should any changes be made to the planning controls as a result of any future Gateway Determination being issued for the subject site, the public consultation process prescribed by the Gateway determination, or alternatively if changes are made by the Department of Planning prior to the planning controls being finalised. It should also be noted that there is a direct relationship between the Design Competition brief, the Draft DCP and the Draft VPA Offer. Any action you take to progress the Design Competition Process prior to a Gateway Determination being issued for the subject site is taken at your own risk. If you decide to proceed with a design competition that subsequently is inconsistent with the final planning controls for the site it may then be necessary to run another design competition to ensure the endorsed design complies with the planning controls put in place.

It is anticipated that the proposed design competition for 197 Church Street, Parramatta would achieve a high standard of architectural excellence. Council looks forward to ongoing involvement in the Design Competition process to work towards improving the overall architectural quality of the city.

It would be appreciated if staff in the Council's Urban Design Team could be kept informed of the progress and timing of the Design Competition. Please refer any further queries to Penny Bowen 9806 5719.

Yours sincerely,



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