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Specialising in urban design, urban housing and community buildings, Russell is a registered architect and urban designer with extensive experience in Australia and overseas. Russell has worked in Australia, France and New Zealand on major urban design and architectural projects. He has prepared the City of Sydney LEP and DCP 1996, two Plan reviews for the City of Adelaide Plan, projects for the National Capital Authority, Canberra and contributed to Sustainable Sydney 2030.

Russell was a member of the City of Sydney City Plan team which gained 2 national planning awards, the Royal Australian Planning Institute's Presidents Award and the National Planning Ministers Award.

As principal of OAA Russell has designed and built many urban apartment buildings and houses which are recognised for their design quality. Russell has lectured at three Sydney universities. He has appeared as an expert witness at the NSW Land and Environment Court on 20 occasions and the Queensland Planning and Environment Court on 5 occasions.

He was a panellist on SEPP 65 Design Review Panels for the Inner West Councils and Parramatta Council from the inception of SEPP 65 in 1999. Russell is currently a panellist on the City of Parramatta Design Excellence Advisory Panel and the Waverley Council Design Excellence Panel.

Russell has chaired the AIA NSW Chapter Design Competitions Committee. He has project managed and written the Brief for 7 International Design Competitions, and been a juror for 5 design competitions. Recent positions have been as Juror on City of Sydney and City of Parramatta Design Excellence Competitions and Competition Adviser for a Penrith City Council Design competition.

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KEY PROJECTS

2017

- Jury Chair, Design Excellence Competition for 5-7 Parkes Street, Parramatta
- Panellist Design Excellence Advisory Panel, City of Parramatta
- Panellist Design Excellence Panel, Waverley Council
- Chair of Panel, Design Excellence Panel North Sydney Council
- Development Control Plan, Brighton Avenue Croydon Park, for City of Canterbury Bankstown
- DA for 43 apartments 2-4 Old Northern Road Baulkham Hills
- DA for 160 apartments, Pitt Street Merrylands
- S34 Hearing for OAA DA for 65 apartments, Gloucester Avenue, Burwood

2016

- Masterplan and Stage 1 DA for 35 storey tower, Darling Harbour, for Property NSW
- Urban Design Advisor to The Star, Darling Harbour, for a proposed 60 storey tower
- S34 Hearing Wollondilly Council at JT Consulting for Wollondilly Council
- DA for 35 apartments Stanley Street Bankstown
- DA for 65 apartments, Gloucester Avenue, Burwood
- Eastwood Town Centre Masterplan for City of Ryde
- DA for 110 apartments, Punchbowl Road Belfield

2015

- Built form testing for Campsie town centre for City of Canterbury Bankstown
- DA for 90 apartments, Punchbowl Road Belfield
- Planning Proposal for urban block and town square, Bankstown, for Dyldam
- Expert witness urban design, GM Architects at Strathfield Council NSW Land and Environment Court 10709
- DA for 36 apartments, Monash Road Gladesville
- DA for 10 apartments, Bondi Road, Bondi
- Expert witness architecture, Onikul at Woollahra Municipal Council, NSW Land and Environment Court 90627
- DA for 36 apartments, Coronation Parade Enfield
- Expert Witness urban design, Queensland Planning and Environment Court Appeal No. 4557 of 2014

2014

- Parramatta Riverbank Site Masterplan, adjoining Lennox Bridge Parramatta City Centre, new city square, theatre and high-rise building envelopes, for Parramatta City Council
- Pemberton Street Masterplan, Mascot, Urban Design Report, for site owner
- Urban Design Reports for mixed use developments in Forest Road Bexley, Neil Street Merrylands and Carlingford Village, Carlingford
- DA for 40 apartment mixed use development Burwood Road, Burwood
- DA for 12 apartment mixed use development Botany Road, Mascot
- DA for 10 apartment mixed use development Croydon Road, Croydon
- DA for 36 apartments, Cliff Road, Epping
- DA for 36 apartments, Stanley Street, Bankstown
- DA for 62 apartments, Campbell Hill Road, Chester Hill
- CC for 40 apartments, Clapham Road Sefton

2013

- Parramatta City Centre, site testing of development controls for DCP and LEP, for Parramatta City Council
- Merimbula Town Centre Masterplan, for Bega Shire Council
- Carlingford Village Masterplan for development application to Parramatta City Council
- DA for 80 apartments at John Street and Church Avenue, Mascot
- Masterplan for Canterbury Bowling Club site, for the City of Canterbury
- DA for 8 townhouses at 22 Cowan Road, St Ives

2012

- Mascot Station Town Centre Masterplan, DCP and LEP recommendations, for the City of Botany Bay
- 66 apartments, DA approval, Wilga Street Burwood
- 92 apartments, DA approved, Victoria Street, Burwood

- 40 apartments, DA approved, Clapham Road, Sefton
- Umina Beach Village Centre Urban Design Study for Gosford Council
- 120 apartments, CC, Brown Street, Ashfield

2011

- 181 apartments, pre-DA, Alice Street Newtown
- 60 apartments and 7000 sqm retail, DA approved, Deane Street, Burwood
- Design competition winner, 110 apartments, Hume Highway, Liverpool
- Design competition, Phillip Street Parramatta
- 11 apartments, DA approved, Toothill Street, Lewisham
- Cabramatta Town Centre Urban Design Study for Fairfield Council

2010

- 45 apartments and 5000sqm commercial, DA approved, Deane St Burwood
- Hunters Hill Gladesville Development Control Plan, for Hunters Hill Council
- 9 apartments addition, DA approved, Cowell Street, Hunters Hill
- 7 townhouses, Cowan Road St Ives
- 90 apartments, DA approved, Leicester Avenue, Strathfield

2009

- Three townhouses, DA approved, Moorefield Avenue, Hunters Hill
- Development Control Plan for John Street, Mascot, for City of Botany Bay
- Gladesville Town Centre Development Control Plan for the City of Ryde
- Two houses, DA / CC, Susan Street, Newtown
- 11 townhouses, DA / CC, Shinfield Avenue, St Ives

2008

- Marrickville Village Centres LEP and DCP Review
- Papatoetoe town centres built form study, New Zealand
- Mangere town centre built form study, New Zealand
- Ku-ring-gai six town centres development control reviews
- Neutral Bay Island Site Urban Project for Winton Property Group
- Frank Vickery Village Seniors Living schematic design for the Wesley Mission
- Castle Hill Terminus Street Development Control Plan for the Hills Council

2007

- Western City Edge (York to Sussex Streets) Built Form, LEP and DCP Study, for the City of Sydney
- 120 apartments, DA approved, Brown Street, Ashfield
- Gladesville Town Centre and Victoria Road Corridor Development Control Plan and LEP major controls, for the City of Ryde
- House addition, Louisa Street, Summer Hill

2006

- 100 apartments, DA approved, Strathfield
- Child Care Centre and Office Design, Strathfield
- CC for 20 apartments /4000 sqm commercial, Railway Parade, Hurstville
- Parramatta Road Overview Structure Plan for the Department of Planning
- Gordon Town Centre DCP for Ku-ring-gai Council
- Carlingford Urban Site Studies for Baulkham Hills Shire Council
- Urban design study and building envelope design at Mary Street, Lidcombe

2005

- Parramatta Road Sector 1 Structure Plan (City to Ashfield) for Department of Planning
- Parramatta Road Sector 4 Structure Plan (Strathfield to Parramatta), for Department of Planning
- DA for 20 apartments/4000sqm commercial Railway Parade Hurstville
- St Ives Town Centre LEP and Development Control Plan
- Addition to residence, Allen Street, Glebe
- Additions to residence Louisa Street Summer Hill
- Design assessment reports for 40 DAs for apartment buildings in Ku-ring-gai