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Professor Mary O'Kane AC Chair Independent Planning Commission Level 3, 201 Elizabeth Street Sydney NSW 2000

Dear Professor O'Kane

Sport and Wellbeing Centre at Roseville College (SSD-9912)

The Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (the Department) has completed its assessment of the merits of the application for the proposed Sport and Wellbeing Centre at Roseville College in Roseville (SSD-9912), lodged by The Anglican Schools Corporation (the Applicant).

In accordance with clause 8A of the State Environmental Planning Policy (State and Regional Development) 2011 and section 4.5 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (EP&A Act), the application is referred to the Independent Planning Commission for determination, as the Department received more than 50 unique public submissions objecting to the development and Ku-ring-gai Council (Council) made an objection.

The Department exhibited the application and accompanying Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) from 15 November 2019 to 12 December 2019. During this period, the Department received a total of 74 submissions, including six submissions from public authorities (including an objection from Council), 67 individual public submissions (including 56 objections) and one submission from a special interest group (an objection).

Following exhibition of the EIS, the Department engaged an independent heritage consultant (NBRS Architecture) to peer review the adequacy of the Applicant's Heritage Impact Statement.

On 2 February 2021, the Applicant submitted a Response to Submissions (RtS), including an amended proposal. The Department did not formally exhibit the RtS but made the documents publicly available on the Department's website. A further three submissions were received from public authorities in response to the RtS and amended proposal, including a submission from Council maintaining its objection to the proposal.

In assessing the merits of the project, the Department considered the environmental, social and economic impacts of the proposal, the submissions received on the EIS and RtS, relevant environmental planning instruments, the suitability of the site for the project and the public interest, in accordance with the EP&A Act.

Based on its assessment, the Department considers that the project is approvable subject to the recommended conditions of consent.

A copy of the Department's assessment report and all other publicly made documents relevant for the Commission's consideration is available on the Department's major project website: https://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/project/9441



For any further information or to arrange a briefing, please contact Karen Harragon – Director, Social and Infrastructure Assessments on (02) 9274 6358.

Yours sincerely,

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