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Attention: Damian Gibson

Dear Damian,

RE: St John of God Richmond

Re: Acoustic Response to DoP Comments

Dear Damian,

The Department of Planning reviewed our acoustic documents submitted as part of the SSDA package and made the following comments:

"Noise monitoring at neighbouring residences in accordance with the Noise Policy for Industry to be undertaken to accurately identify the existing acoustic environment confirming that the development will not result in unreasonable acoustic impacts for construction and operation".

The monitoring conducted by Stantec for the project targeted to identify noise sources and noise levels affecting the design of the building envelope. The noise monitoring conducted in 2019 was at the boundary of the SJOG proposed site however it was not conducted on neighbouring properties.

The initial noise logging carried out on site in 2019 was solely for the characterisation of the noise environment within the hospital grounds.

The NSW Noise Policy for Industry provide a minimum background noise levels for rural areas. For example, if the measured noise levels in an area is below 30dB(A) for instance 25dB(A) the Policy allows to consider that the noise level of the area is 30dB(A).

After consultation with the project team, it was agreed that to address the lack of data at the neighbouring properties we will accept and agree that the background noise levels is the minimum recommended by the Noise Policy for Industry ie 30dB(A).

Therefore, the noise criteria for operation and construction activities will be based on a 30dB(A) background noise level.

We trust that this letter addresses the comments provided by the DoP in regards to noise monitoring at the neighbouring residences as Stantec has adopted the worst case scenario for the background noise level in the area.

Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned if you have any queries.

Yours sincerely

David Spargo

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