

Section 75W Application Approved Concept Plan for the former Sunbeam Factory (Clemton Village), Harp St. and Charlotte St. Canterbury

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1. Introduction

TRAFFIX was commissioned in 2009 by Parkview Developments to prepare a TMAP report for the former Sunbeam site located at 60 Charlotte Street, Clemton Park. The TMAP report was prepared as part of the overall Concept Plan Application for the site. The Concept Plan Application dealt with all relevant matters as required under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979 as well as taking due account of the Director General's Requirements. The Concept Plan was approved by the Department of Planning in 2009, subject to appropriate conditions.

The TMAP report dealt with the overall traffic and transport planning aspects relating to the assumed land use mix and intensity for the overall site (that is, having regard for the cumulative impacts of all land parcels). It has therefore provided the context for all subsequent development approvals.. The TMAP report is therefore a highly relevant document and is provided in **Appendix A** for ease of reference. It is emphasised that the assumed land use as assessed in the TMAP reflected the most likely development outcome for the site as known at the time of submission of the Concept Plan. While the Concept Plan approval is quite prescriptive in relation to uses and associated parking rates, it will be recognised that the nature and scope of individual development applications on individual land parcels within the site would reasonably need to be amended over time, as developments respond to changed demands and market requirements.

To date, several development applications have been lodged and or approved including:

- Stage 1 on Lot 3 Residential (58 units) and childcare (75 child places)
- Stage 2 on Lot 4 Residential (64 units); and
- Stage 4 on Lot 2 Residential (290 units and 60m² cafe)

Stages 3 and 5 are to be the subject of later development applications. Stage 5 relates to the high care living development on Lot 5, with 50 beds and 59 independent living units. Stage 3 relates to the retail and residential development on Lot 1 (as referred to in the Concept Plan but as now referred to as Lot 42), which is the principle Lot that is the subject of this Section 75W Application. In particular, this application seeks to respond to the built form controls imposed by Condition A6 of the CP approval and in doing so proposes to modify the CP (including land use mix and building heights amongst other matters. This is a consequence of ongoing analysis of site constraints and design responses as undertaken by Australand. In relation to traffic planning matters, the S75W application



proposes to amend the site access arrangements and to revise the retail parking rates to take account of the specific nature of the retail uses that are now proposed.

As with all previous assessments, the amended development, being has been assessed in accordance with the requirements of the Concept Plan Conditions of Consent in addition to Canterbury Council's controls; the RTA's Guidelines and relevant standards.



2. Location and Site

Clemton Park Village site is situated at the former Sunbeam factory in Harp Street, about 300 metres south of Canterbury Road and about 100 metres west of Bexley Road, at Clemton Park. It lies within an established industrial precinct and is about 1.2 kilometres south of the existing Campsie Town Centre.

A Location and Site Plan are provided in the TMAP report provided in Appendix A.



3. Existing Traffic Conditions

3.1 Road Hierarchy

The existing road hierarchy is discussed in the TMAP Report which is provided in Appendix A, for ease of reference.

3.2 General Description of Road Environment

The existing road environment is discussed in the TMAP Report which is provided in Appendix A, for ease of reference.

3.3 Public Transport

The existing public transport network is discussed in the TMAP Report which is provided in Appendix A, for ease of reference.

3.4 Existing Intersection Performances

The existing intersection performances are discussed in the TMAP Report which is provided in Appendix A, for ease of reference.



4. Description of Proposed Changes

A detailed description of the proposed changes sought under this Section 75W Application is provided in the Section 75W Planning Assessment report prepared separately by JBA Planning. In relation to traffic and transport planning matters, the following principle changes are sought:

- The provision of improved site access arrangements for Stage 3 (Lot 1) as follows (noting that Lot 1 as described in the Concept Plan is now referred to as Lot 42):
 - Improved northern loading dock arrangement for the proposed mini major. This is intended to minimise visual impacts along the Charlotte Street frontage, in response to streetscape concerns raised by the Department of Planning and Infrastructure and in particular, the requirement under the CP approval to activate the road frontage;
 - Improved southern loading dock arrangement for the proposed supermarket. This is
 intended to provide a safer and more efficient access by delivery vehicles from Harp Street,
 with a minimum width driveway achieved through the provision of a truck turntable to assist
 internal manoeuvrability; and
 - Provision of a retail car park access onto Harp Street which is limited to left-in/left-out movements to maximise safety and efficiency of traffic movement along Harp Street.
- An increase in the retail and supermarket parking rates as embodied within the Concept Plan approval in order to accommodate the anticipated parking demands of the changed land use mix within the various stages and to protect the residential amenity of the local road network. In addition, a single parking rate is proposed for all retail uses.

The implications of these changes are discussed in the following sections in more detail. It is emphasised however that 'in principle' approval is only sought to the proposed access arrangements, in the knowledge that the performance of these access driveways will be assessed in detail when the development application is submitted for Stage 3.



5. Transport Management and Accessibility

5.1 Car Access Principles

The overall site access arrangements for cars have been improved having regard for the land uses now proposed. However, these changes do not significantly alter the distribution of traffic onto the external road network. They do however alter the more localised impacts associated with the new driveways. The changes relating to car access arrangements to Stage 3 are as follows:

- A residential driveway is proposed onto Mackinder Street to the immediate north of Harp Street. This driveway will enable the residential component to benefit from its own 'address' and in addition, the separation of residential traffic from retail traffic is sound traffic planning and is a principle that is endorsed under the RMS Guidelines. This driveway will mainly be used by traffic approaching and departing from the south via Harp Street, so that the 'traffic calmed' section of Mackinder Street, with its strong 'pedestrianised' environment, will remain unchanged;
- The driveway access onto Sunbeam Street is to be amended from that approved under the Concept Plan approval to accommodate egress only movements. This acknowledges the need to minimise conflicts within Sunbeam Street associated with the improved loading dock location. It is noted in this regard that the entry capacity remains unchanged with the proposed access arrangements onto Harp Street as discussed below.
- A retail access driveway is proposed onto Harp Street west of Alfred Street. This driveway is proposed as a left-in/left-out driveway and this will be reinforced by the installation of a concrete median within Harp Street.

These access driveways will be the subject of further assessment at the Stage 3 Development Application stage.

5.2 Parking Requirements

Approved Rates

The Concept Plan approval embodies parking rates for the retail uses as follows:



- Specialty Retail: 2.94 spaces / 100m²
- ;Supermarket: 3.57 spaces / 100m²

The application of these rates to the land use mix and floor areas adopted for the purpose of the Concept Plan (as an indicative scenario) gave rise to a requirement for a total of 1,565 spaces.

Proposed Amended Rates

The only significant concession now sought in relation to Concept Plan parking requirements relates to the proposed supermarket and specialty retail areas in Stage 3. Specifically, the parking rates that are sought under this Section 75W Application is as follows;

- Specialty Retail: 4.0 spaces / 100m²
- ;Supermarket: 4.0 spaces / 100m²

The intention of these amended rates is to recognise the changed nature of the retail uses as now proposed. In particular, the supermarket is a 'car dependent' use that is expected to generate demands that are more closely aligned with RMS parking rates for this use. Similarly, the specialty retail use is also expected to more closely follow the demand that arises from RMS Guidelines for this use category. The following matters are noteworthy:

- The adopted Concept Plan scenario as assessed in the TMAP undertaken by TRAFFIX included a total of 24,585m² of retail land uses including bulky goods (17,995m²), specialty retail (4,005m²) and supermarket floor space (2,585m²). This retail floor space was distributed across multiple lots and as such some synergy between these uses was assumed which supported the reduced parking rates originally proposed. This differs significantly from the yields as now proposed (and/or approved) which accommodates retail uses only within the Lot 42 (Stage 3).
- With no retail parking provided in any other lot, sufficient parking must be provided to ensure that all parking demands associated with the Stage 3 development is accommodated on-site with no reliance on on-street parking, which would give rise to unacceptable amenity impacts.
- The RMS Guideline parking rate for supermarkets is 4.2 spaces/100m² which acknowledges that supermarkets are a 'car dependent' use that involves the collection of large purchases that are not conducive to travel either by public transport or by walking. The proposed parking (at 4.0 spaces/100m²) is still 5% lower than the RMS rate and this reflects the fact that some shoppers will be drawn from residents within the Concept Plan area, which is expected to accommodate some 761 residential dwelling units (including the high care and independent living units).



- The RMS Guideline parking rate for specialty retail is 4.5 spaces/100m² which acknowledges that specialty retail uses are a relatively high parking generator. The proposed parking (at 4.0 spaces/100m²) is still 11% lower than the RMS rate and this similarly reflects the fact that some shoppers will be drawn from residents within the Concept Plan area.
- The increased parking rate for these uses does not contribute to increased traffic generation (as discussed in the following section) as the retail parking and associated trips is compensated by the deletion of commercial floor area in Stage 3. It will be evident that commercial uses generate peak flows during both the morning and afternoon peak periods on weekdays, while retail traffic generation only occurs during the PM peak, generally on Thursdays and Fridays.
- The RMS Guideline acknowledges the seasonal nature of retail uses, with the recommended rates as discussed above being set generally to the 85th percentile demand level. There will however be times when higher demands occur (notably in the summer months during the Christmas holiday period, Father's Day, Mother's Day, Easter etc) and in circumstances where overflow parking would create unacceptable amenity impacts, additional parking may be considered. Such parking does not contribute to additional traffic during normal retail peak periods throughout the year. Nevertheless, parking is still proposed at a level that is below the 'normal' 85th percentile RMS demand level.
- The total parking assumed for the Stage 3 development site under the TMAP assessment was 747 parking spaces. Based on the current yield scenarios and proposed parking rates, the Stage 3 development results in a need for 696 spaces which is a significant (7%) reduction.
- Provision of parking below the proposed rate of 4.0 spaces/100m² for the type of retail area proposed would potentially result in on-street parking effects in residential area. This will create an adverse impact on the amenity of existing residents. It is considered that the provision of sufficient parking is essential to preserve and protect the amenity of residents in the locality, particularly those in Alfred Street, Harp Street, Charlotte Street and Troy Street.
- The parking supply arising from the land use scenario adopted for the overall Concept Plan approval gave rise to a total of 1,565 spaces. The amended land use scenario now proposed will result in a need for only 1,381 spaces. This is a 12% reduction in parking (184 spaces) which is highly significant. A summary of the overall changes to parking supply from the approved Concept Plan to that which will occur under the proposed changes is provided in **Appendix C**; and
- The proposed 315m² community centre is required to provide minimal parking under Council's DCP (2 spaces) and this is generally supported, particularly as the peak times of activity would occur outside the peak retail peaks, so that some use of retail parking might reasonably be



expected. In addition, most activities will be local in nature with many people walking to the centre, with a strong synergy between the various land use components. Nevertheless, the provision of the increased retail parking rate as proposed will provide some additional capacity to accommodate the occasional high peaks that may occur on an infrequent basis at the community centre. This additional flexibility is considered to be a desirable outcome.

Having regard for the above factors, the adoption of the retail rate of 4.0 spaces/100m² is considered to not only be supportable, but desirable on traffic planning grounds as it overcomes the adverse impacts of on-street parking effects that would otherwise occur for the more 'car dependent' retail uses now proposed. Furthermore, while the increased retail rates give rise to a slight increase in traffic generation for this particular land use category, the changes in floor areas reduce the overall traffic generation during the critical weekday peak periods, which is the most critical time for assessment. That is, the Concept Plan should be considered holistically. Subject to the approval to these rates, progress towards the Stage 3 Development Application can be made with more certainty.

5.3 Pedestrian and Bicycle Linkages

Pedestrian and bicycle linkages will be provided within the site and no changes occur under the Section 75W Application. Connectivity to all footpath systems in the locality on all public roads will be provided, with the ability to access bus and rail services. Safe crossing opportunities are available on all major desire-lines, which is a matter that has been discussed with Council officers and is currently subject to a 'warrant' assessment at the request of RMS. This involves the demonstration that sufficient pedestrian and vehicle volumes occur over sustained periods to enable specific pedestrian facilities to be justified.

Cyclists will continue to rely on the external roads which provide shared on-road facilities, while Council's bicycle network is generally available more remote from the site. In addition, shower facilities and bicycle storage is also proposed to be accommodated within all development sites in accordance with Council's requirements.

5.4 Pedestrian Safety

The movement of pedestrians along Charlotte Street will be assisted by the effective removal of the northern (supermarket) service dock from the Charlotte Street frontage, with its integration into the building through reliance on Sunbeam Street via its intersection with Charlotte Street. The intended



location of this dock is discussed below as shown in the sketch plan provided in **Appendix B**, to which 'in principle' support is sought. Following this in principle support, the Stage 3 development application will be submitted based on these adopted principles.

Pedestrian movement along Harp Street will be assisted by the provision of a minimum width service driveway to the east of Charlotte Street, with a left-in/left-out car access onto Harp Street to the west of Alfred Street. These movement limitations also enable the driveway to be of minimum width, with reduced conflicts due to the elimination of any right turning traffic.

It is proposed that during DA stage, both driveways will be constructed as laybacks, with priority given to pedestrian movement along Harp Street at all times.

5.5 Service Vehicle Access Principles

The northern loading dock is proposed to be removed from Charlotte Street (as a separate driveway) and instead integrated onto the frontage of Sunbeam Street. Trucks will thus enter Sunbeam Street from Charlotte Street and turn right into the dock area. Trucks will exit onto Sunbeam Street and thus gain access to Charlotte Street by this public road. A maximum 14.7m articulated truck is proposed, with all movements being possible at this intersection.

This arrangement eliminates the previously-sought separate driveway crossing onto Charlotte Street south of Sunbeam Street. This is clearly a desirable outcome in terms of the streetscape of Charlotte Street and in addition, will enable activation of this frontage as required under the Department of Planning and Infrastructure's conditions of approval to the Concept Plan. As mentioned, this arrangement also improves pedestrian safety along Charlotte Street, noting that a pedestrian crossing is provided across Sunbeam Street which is the only crossing point along the Charlotte Street frontage.

The southern retail loading dock is proposed in Harp Street to the east of Charlotte Street. This dock will be used by a maximum 14.7m articulated truck, with entry via left turn movements and exits via right turn movements. This acknowledges the need to avoid use of Alfred Street and Mackinder Street, which are to be traffic calmed in accordance with relevant conditions of consent. The dock is provided with a turntable, so that safe and convenient manoeuvrability is achieved and in addition, so that the driveway width can be minimised.



The above arrangements are shown in concept layout in **Appendix B**. It is emphasised that following in principle support, these will be subject to detailed assessment at the Stage 3 development application stage.

5.6 Servicing

A Loading Dock Management Plan will be prepared in due course in response to a suitable condition of consent pertaining to the subsequent Stage 3 development application.

5.7 Transport Access Guide

It is proposed that a Transport Access Guide and Work Place Travel Plan will be prepared in response to a suitable condition of consent on all subsequent development applications. This would include the promotion of alternate travel modes and travel demand measures including car sharing, public transport availability (bus, rail and taxi), cycle and pedestrian routes and linkages, bicycle end-user facilities and motorcycle parking.

5.8 Internal Design Aspects

The Section 75W Application raises no issues in relation to the internal design arrangements. These will continue to be addressed in the context of individual development applications. It is expected that a standard condition of consent would be imposed requiring compliance with relevant standards in due course.

5.9 Demolition and Construction Impacts

The Section 75W Application raises no issues in relation to demolition and construction impacts. These will continue to be addressed in the context of individual development applications. It is expected that a standard condition of consent would be imposed on future DA's requiring the preparation of a comprehensive Construction Traffic management Plan.



5.10 Traffic Impacts

5.10.1 Trip Generation

Under the Section 75W Application, the overall site is predicted to generate 399veh/hr and 736veh/hr respectively during the AM and PM peak periods on a typical Thursday. This compares with 666veh/hr and 1106veh/hr based on the land use assumptions made during the Concept Plan approval process. This is demonstrated by the traffic generation assessment summary provided in **Appendix D**. It can be seen that this represents a 40% and 34% reduction in trips during these respective peaks and this is a highly significant reduction that will result in an improvement in the performance of the road network. This is therefore supportable and has a public benefit. This is particularly the case given that the improvements that are required under the Concept Plan consent will still need to be implemented, notwithstanding the reduced generation.

It will be noted that the increase in retail trips in Stage 3 arising from the retail uses is more than offset by the reduced trips that arise through the deletion of the commercial office use, and the substantial increase in the residential dwelling yield, which is a low traffic generating land use category.

5.10.2 Trip Distributions

The traffic distribution is expected to remain unchanged from that adopted in the approved Concept Plan, as set out in Section 5.12.2 of the TMAP Report provided in Appendix 1. Accordingly, with the reduced traffic generation now proposed, the performance of the road network will be improved compared to the assessment as currently approved.

The only change will relate to localised traffic impacts arising from the amended access arrangements for the Stage 3 Development Application as discussed above, for which 'in principle' approval is sought. In this regard, the Concept Plan proposed all access to the Stage 3 site via the intersection of Charlotte Street with Sunbeam Street. Under the current proposal, this traffic will be more dispersed as follows:

A residential driveway is proposed onto Mackinder Street to the immediate north of Harp Street. This driveway will enable the residential component to benefit from its own 'address' and in addition, the separation of residential traffic from retail traffic is sound traffic planning and is a principle that is endorsed under the RMS Guidelines. This driveway will mainly be used by traffic approaching and departing from the south via Harp Street, so that the 'traffic calmed' section of Mackinder Street, with its strong 'pedestrianised' environment, will remain unchanged; and



A retail access driveway is proposed onto Harp Street west of Alfred Street. This driveway is proposed as a left-in/left-out driveway and this will be reinforced by the installation of a concrete median within Harp Street.

The major benefits of this second retail access are as follows:

- The original Charlotte Street site access will remain the most attractive access for traffic approaching and departing Canterbury Road. This traffic will not need to traverse the length of Charlotte Street;
- The new Harp Street access will be attractive for traffic approaching and departing the site via harp Street to/from the west (Kingsgrove Road); and
- The new Harp Street access will be attractive for local traffic departing the site and accessing the residential catchment served by Alfred Street.
- The provision of two retail access driveways provides a 'safety valve' in the event of an accident or emergency. This provides more flexibility and is sound traffic planning; and
- The provision of two access driveways serving 292 retail spaces will improve internal queuing and minimise delays, which will achieve a safer and more efficient design outcome.

These amended access arrangements are therefore supported and with the substantially reduced traffic generation, an improved road network operation can be expected.



6. Conclusions

Having regard for the above matters, this Section 75W Application is not only supported, but achieves a significant improvement in traffic planning terms, for the following reasons:

- The proposed changes to the land use mix and areas within the Clemton Park Village warrant a fundamental reassessment of parking requirements as embodied in the current Concept Plan approval. The changes to the retail areas and the nature of retail uses in particular significantly changes the assumptions and justifications for the reduced parking rates that were previously supported by TRAFFIX in the original TMAP assessment which was adopted by the Department of Planning and Infrastructure. The current retail rates under the Concept Plan are inappropriate and do not reflect the likely parking requirements of the development and need to be amended to avert unacceptable impacts, notably overflow parking into residential areas. The increased parking will also provide greater flexibility in the use of the Community Centre, which will share retail parking on occasions.
- The adoption of 4.0 spaces/100m² of retail floor area for Stage 3 is considered supportable for the reasons discussed, including the fact that this rate remains below the RMS Guideline parking rates for both the supermarket and specialty retail areas whilst still having regard for the original DGR's and the assessment of the Concept Plan as assessed by the Department of Planning and Infrastructure.
- The amended development results in a significant reduction in parking for the overall Concept plan site. The overall site is proposed to provide 1,381 spaces, rather than the 1,565 spaces as currently approved under the Concept plan. This is a 12% reduction in parking (184 spaces).
- As a result of the revised parking rates the overall parking provision within Stage 3 will reduce from 747 spaces as considered under the TMAP assessment to approximately 696 spaces which is a 7% reduction that is significant.
- A significant reduction in traffic generation arises under the proposed changes, so that a net improvement in traffic conditions will occur compared with conditions under current approvals. A 40% and 34% reduction in trips during the respective AM and PM peaks is predicted and this is a highly significant reduction.



- In principle approval is sought to the revised access arrangements for the Stage 3 development site, for the road safety and road efficiency reasons as discussed above. The performance of these accesses in terms of both design and capacity requirements will be assessed at development application stage to ensure compliance with relevant standards.
- In principle approval is sought to the proposed revised loading dock arrangements for the Stage 3 development site, which will also be assessed in detail at the later development application stage to ensure compliance with relevant standards; and
- The proposed amendments raise no external issues and are compatible with the conditions of consent pertaining to the approved Concept Plan. That is, all current conditions are able to be satisfied.

Accordingly the proposed variations to the Concept Plan approval is considered supportable and will result in an improved development outcome to that which would be achieved under the current controls.



Appendix A

Original (approved) TMAP Report



concept plan application for the former sunbeam site at charlotte street and harp street, clemton park

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TMAP report



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executive summary

- This report follow upon a previous traffic report and a subsequent supplementary report that was prepared in support of a Concept Application which was an application made under Part 3A of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979, following authorisation of the Concept Plan by the Minister;
- This TMAP report has been prepared in response to matters raised by Council, the RTA and the DoP during the consultation process. For completeness, the TMAP report incorporates much of the original reports and can be regarded as a stand-alone document, with aspects of the assessment updated;
- The Concept Application relates to the use and building envelopes comprising a total floor area of 87,056 square metres, together with an indicative number of apartments, height and building footprints, road layout and landscaping across the site;
- The proposed Concept Plan follows the principles and level of intensity foreshadowed in the Preliminary Environmental Assessment report;
- Traffic impacts have been assessed on the basis of the land use scenario outlined in this report and can be accommodated, subject to the public road system being developed as proposed and the improvements outlined in the report. This includes a comprehensive LATM (traffic calmed) solution to protect the amenity of the residential precinct to the south of the site, accessed via Alfred Street;
- Traffic conditions have been assessed on weekdays, Saturdays and Sundays and can be accommodated by the road system in terms of its capacity;
- The traffic impacts create no unacceptable environmental amenity concerns having regard for then predominant industrial character of the area. The volume increases in the locality are significantly higher than existing flows at peak times (with the site essentially dormant) and moderately higher than the previous industrial use of the site. As all road frontages are collector roads the volumes remain within acceptable limits;
- The overall parking provision (1,469 spaces) is about 4% less overall than Council's DCP requirement as assessed with reductions for sharing (1,533 spaces) and this accounts for the



synergy between the uses and the ability to share parking where peak demands do not overlap. The level of provision is also intended to promote alternate travel modes and is responsive to the Director General's Requirements;

- The key elements of this TMAP are in response to the specific matters that are required to be addressed under the Director General's Requirements. These include daily and peak traffic movements, modelling at the four key intersections identified, measures to promote public transport usage, measures to promote bicycle and pedestrian linkages, service vehicle movements, access, loading docks, car parking and measures to mitigate potential impacts on nearby residents during construction. All of these matters are addressed in this TMAP report.
- In the same way that construction impacts cannot be dealt with in any detail and must be dealt with by way of a condition of approval; it is considered that the further development of the TMAP to achieve public transport targets (resulting in a TMAP Agreement) can be the subject of more detailed initiatives and discussions in response to a suitable condition of consent. This could also include a requirement for further consultation with the RTA and this approach is supported.
- Discussions have been held with the STA in relation to improved bus services to the site. This has led to an agreement to consider diverted services to Campsie Station. Diversion of other private bus services is also proposed and will be subject to further discussions and assessment.
- The access and internal design arrangements will be able to comply with the requirements of AS 2890.1 and AS 2890.2, subject to further assessment in the staged Project Applications. The creation of five (5) lots will occur in four (4) stages, with Application 1 for Lots 1 and 3, Application 2 for Lot 2, Application 3 for Lot 5 and Application 4 for Lot 4
- On the basis of the analysis undertaken, the Concept Plan is supportable in traffic and transport planning terms.



1. introduction

Traffix was previously commissioned by Parkview Sydney Developments to undertake a traffic impact assessment of a proposed Concept Plan Application for the former Sunbeam site in Charlotte Street at Clemton Park. The report follows upon a previous report prepared in support of the Preliminary Environmental Assessment that was prepared by Planning Workshop Australia, which was an application made under Part 3A of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979, following authorisation of the Concept Plan by the Minister. This TMAP study should therefore be read in conjunction with the overall Environmental Assessment, of which it forms a part. The Environmental Assessment was prepared by Planning Workshop Australia and deals with all relevant matters as identified under the in the Director General's Requirements.

This report documents the findings of our further investigations in response to Council's and the RTA's responses to the Concept Plan Application. It is also in response to the Director General's Requirements and subsequent discussions.

The Concept Application relates to the use and building envelopes comprising a total floor area of 87,332 square metres, together with an indicative number of apartments, height and building footprints, road layout and landscaping across the site.

The Project Application relates to the subdivision of the whole of the land into 5 allotments; the development of roads and services for subsequent staged construction (with the first stage of roads and services being completed prior to occupation of developments that are to occur on Lots 1 and 3).

The development of 26,343m2 lettable floor area of bulky goods (relating to a total floor space of 30,117m2) and commercial uses with associated parking on Lot 1; and the development of a residential flat building for 58 units and a 75 place child care centre with ancilliary parking on Lot 3, are the subject of separate Project Applications which will also include the demolition and remediation of the site, following the granting of a Construction Certificate for such works.



2. location and site

The site is situated at the former Sunbeam factory in Harp Street, about 300 metres south of Canterbury Road and about 100 metres west of Bexley Road, at Clemton Park. It lies within an established industrial precinct and is about 1.2 kilometres south of the existing Campsie town centre.

In a more local context, it has primary road frontages to Harp Street and Charlotte Street, while secondary accesses are also available at the southern end of Troy Street and Wade Street. These frontages have all been used historically for vehicular access to the site and continue to be used as significant site accesses. However, no use is proposed of Wade Street, while only very limited access is proposed to Troy Street and this acknowledges their residential status.

Most access will be available via Harp Street and Charlotte Street using a newly developed internal (public) road network. This provides maximum accessibility for vehicles as well as pedestrians. Harp Street in turn provides access to Kingsgrove Road to the west of the site, while Charlotte Street provides the main access to Canterbury Road. A minor access is also proposed to Troy Street which served Lot 3 (the 58 units and 75 place child care centre). The site is also within or adjacent to the Canterbury Road Enterprise Corridor identified in the Sydney Metropolitan Strategy 2005.

The site has an irregular configuration and currently comprises a number of large industrial buildings. The site has an area of 54,846m2. The site is bounded by residential development on its northern and eastern sides, as well as on its southern side along Alfred Street.

A Location Plan is presented in **figure 1**, with a Site Plan presented in **figure 2**. Reference should also be made to the Photographic Record presented in **appendix 1**, which provides an appreciation of the general character of roads and other key attributes in proximity to the site.





figure 1 location

60 charlotte street, clemton park

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concept plan application: mixed use development 60 charlotte street, clemton park

> figure 2 site



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3. existing traffic conditions

3.1 road hierarchy

The road hierarchy in the vicinity of the site is shown in **figure 3** with the following roads of particular interest:

7	Canterbury Road:	is an important RTA State Road (MR 167) carrying some 43,000 vehicles per day in the vicinity of the site and serving as a east-west link between the Sydney CBD and the western suburbs;
7	M5 Motorway:	is an RTA State Road (MR 6005) and is one of Sydney's major links from the CBD to the south western suburbs. It lies to the south of the site and is accessed via Canterbury Road and King Georges Road;
7	Bexley Road:	is an RTA State Road (MR 169) and is a continuation of Beamish Street to the south of Canterbury Road. It is also a major north south link between Canterbury Road and the M5 motorway. It carries approximately 23,000 vpd in the vicinity of the site
7	Beamish Street:	is an RTA Regional Road (SR 2014) which acts as a north south link from Georges River Road in the north to Canterbury Road in the south and carries about 22,000 vpd in the vicinity of the site;
7	Kingsgrove Road:	is a regional road that connects Canterbury Road in the north with Stoney Creek Road in the south and carries about 12,000 vpd;
7	Harp Street:	is a local industrial collector road that connects Kingsgrove Road to the west of the site with William Street to the south of the site, via Albert Street. It runs generally east-west along the southern boundary of the site and carries about 7,000 vpd; and





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figure 3

road hierarchy

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Charlotte Street is a local collector road that connects Canterbury Road to the north of the site with Harp Street to the south of the site. It runs north-south along the western site boundary and carries about 7,000 vpd;

It can be seen from figure 3 that the site is conveniently located with respect to the arterial road system serving the region, while local access is available using the above routes.

3.2 Overview of existing traffic conditions

Canterbury Road is constructed with a 12.8 metre wide carriageway, with 3.6 metre wide footpaths along both sides. It carries two through traffic lanes in each direction, with 'No Parking' and AM/PM 'Clearways' signposted on both sides.

Bexley Road and Beamish Street together form a four-way junction with Canterbury Road and this is a major intersection in the locality which is under traffic signal control. West of this intersection, Charlotte Street and Thorncraft Parade together form a four way junction with Canterbury Road and this intersection is also under traffic signal control. However, there is a right turn prohibition at this intersection for the movement from Canterbury Road into Charlotte Street (west to south). Accordingly, right turns from Canterbury Road occur at Kingsgrove Road, which is also under traffic signal control.

Harp Street forms a four way signal-controlled junction with Kingsgrove Road to the west of the site. A roundabout is provided at the intersection of Charlotte Street with Harp Street adjacent to the site, which provides single lane circulating traffic flow. To the east of this roundabout, Harp Street undertakes a sharp right bend into Alfred Street. This bend incorporates a short length of concrete median to provide channelisation of traffic. Although Harp street is classified as a local road by council, it currently accommodates in the order of 7,000 vpd which is consistent with volumes for a local collector road.

Further to the south along Alfred Street, local access routes are available onto Bexley Road via Jarrett Street and William Street. Jarrett Street is not a favourable route for traffic exiting the subject site due to the fact that all traffic must turn left from Jarrett Street into Bexley Road.



3.3 existing site generation

Access to the existing site is currently available via driveways onto Harp Street, Charlotte Street, Troy Street and Wade Street. The Wade Street access is to be closed under the Concept Plan, while Troy Street is to be relied upon for access to a small part of the site (for predominantly residential uses) to preserve and protect its environmental amenity.

It is noted that the former use of the site by Sunbeam has been previously assessed as being 480 veh/hr during peak periods. This is based upon an assumption that the site accommodated some 2,500 workers, with 640 parking spaces. This is considered a conservative assessment as it ignores on-street parking impacts. The Sunbeam operations are understood to have employed over 1,000 people during the main day shift and the vast majority would have driven to/from work, with full use of on site parking and with overflow parking onto residential streets, including Charlotte Street, Harp Street, Troy Street and Wade Street. Having regard for this, it is reasonable to conclude that the site would have generated over 600 veh/hr during peak periods (with more at shift changeover times) and this provides a context for the Environmental Assessment. In addition, significant activity also occurred on weekends and particularly on Saturdays.

3.4 existing public transport services

The site benefits from good access to bus services as shown in **figure 4**. These services are important for both the journey-to-work as well as shopping and other trips, with direct services provided to the Sydney CBD, Rockdale, Bondi Junction, Bankstown, Drummoyne and Five Dock. Existing bus stops are located on Canterbury Road and Bexley Road within a reasonable walking distance of the site. It is proposed that some of these services be diverted to achieve improved links to Campsie Railway station which is located about 1.6km to the north of the site. This is discussed further below.





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figure 4 transport routes

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3.5 existing intersection performances

For the purposes of the assessment of traffic impacts of this development, surveys were undertaken to establish the performance of the existing road system during the AM and PM peak periods. These surveys confirmed that no change has occurred since the previous 2004 and 2006 traffic studies undertaken for this site, with no effective growth on the local road system. This is also supported by a review of traffic conditions at the RTA's nearby permanent count station (Station 24.213) which shows that the annual average daily traffic (AADT) has reduced from 47,778 on 1999 to 42,056 in 2005 (which is in fact less than traffic volumes that occurred in 1993) and this is largely attributable to the influence of the M5 Motorway. The key intersections in the locality that are of interest and were surveyed are as follows:

- **7** The intersection of Charlotte Street with Canterbury Road
- **7** The intersection of Bexley Road with Canterbury Road
- **7** The intersection of Bexley Road with Jarrett Street
- The intersection of Jarrett Street with Alfred Street;
- **7** The intersection of Harp Street with Charlottes Street
- **7** The intersection of Kingsgrove Road with Canterbury Road, and
- The intersection of Harp Street with Kingsgrove Road

These intersections also include those requested to be assessed by the RTA. The results of the survey are presented in **figures 5 & 6**, which show the peak flows over the surveyed period for the AM and PM peaks respectively. Based on these survey results, the above intersections were analysed using the SIDRA computer program to determine their performance under existing traffic conditions.

The SIDRA model produces a range of outputs, the most useful of which are the Degree of Saturation (DOS) and Average Vehicle Delay per vehicle (AVD). The AVD is in turn related to a level of service (LOS) criteria. These performance measures can be interpreted using the following explanations:

DOS - the DOS is a measure of the operational performance of individual intersections. As both queue length and delay increase rapidly as DS approaches 1, it is usual to attempt to keep DS to less than 0.9. When DS exceeds 0.9 residual queues can be anticipated, as occurs at many major





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> figure 5 existing am peak traffic volumes

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figure 6 existing pm peak traffic volumes

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intersections throughout the metropolitan area during peak periods. In this regard, a practical limit at 1.1 can be assumed. For intersections controlled by roundabout or give way/stop control, satisfactory intersection operation is generally indicated by a DOS of 0.8 or less.

AVD - the AVD for individual intersections provides a measure of the operational performance of an intersection. In general, levels of acceptability of AVD for individual intersections depend on the time of day (motorists generally accept higher delays during peak commuter periods) and the road system being modelled (motorists are more likely to accept longer delays on side streets than on the main road system).

LOS - this is a comparative measure which provides an indication of the operating performance of an intersection as shown below:

Level of Service	Average Delay per Vehicle (secs/veh)	Traffic Signals, Give Way and St Roundabout Signs		
A	less than 14	Good operation	Good operation	
B 15 to 28		Good with acceptable delays and spare capacity	Acceptable delays and spare capacity	
С	29 to 42	Satisfactory	Satisfactory but accident study required	
D	43 to 56	Operating near capacity	Near capacity and accident study required	
E	57 to 70	At capacity; at signals incidents will cause excessive delays. Roundabouts require other control mode	At capacity and requires other control mode	
F	More than 70	Unsatisfactory and requires additional capacity.	Unsatisfactory and requires other control mode or major treatment.	

The results of the modelling for each intersection are summarised in table 1 for all approaches. It will be noted in this regard that conditions at all other times will be improved, with lower delays.



Intersection Description	Control	Time Period	Degree of Saturation	Intersection Delay (secs)	Level of Service
Charlotte/Canterbury	Signals	AM	0.77	31.9	С
		PM	0.62	31.5	С
Bexley/Canterbury	Signals	AM	0.97	33.3	С
		PM	1.00	38.1	С
Kingsgrove/Harp	Signals	AM	0.65	21.1	В
		PM	0.90	29.0	С
Charlotte/Harp	Roundabout	AM	0.19	10.5	А
		PM	0.19	11.1	А
Kingsgrove/Canterbury	Signals	AM	0.82	38.9	С
	-	PM	0.74	34.6	С
Alfred/Jarrett	Roundabout	AM	0.06	11.2	А
		PM	0.12	11.5	А
Jarrett/Bexley	Signals	AM	0.21	6.8	А
·		PM	0.48	16.5	В

table 1: existing intersection performance during the am and pm peak periods

It is noted that the delays above relate to average delays in the case of traffic signals, and to the most disadvantaged movement in the case of roundabouts and priority-controlled intersections. With regard to the latter, these delays typically occur only with minor movements and overall performance is superior, with reduced delays. It can be seen from table 1 that all of the above intersections operate generally satisfactorily during both the AM and PM peak periods. Reference should be made to the SIDRA outputs provided in **appendix 3** which show the performance of individual approaches at these intersections.

In this regard, it is stressed that the most relevant use of this analysis is to compare the relative change in the performance parameters as a result of the proposed development. This is discussed further in the following sections.


4. description of proposed development

A detailed description of the Concept Plan application is provided in the Environmental Assessment report prepared by Project Planning Australia. In summary, the Concept Plan development for which approval is now sought relates to the establishment of uses and building envelopes, road layout and landscaping across the subject site. The proposal comprises the following components:

- Development of a road network to serve individual buildings, which will form part of the public road network;
- Creation of five (5) lots to be developed in four (4) stages as follows;
 - Application 1: Lot 1 (Bulky Goods) and Lot 3 (Residential and child care);
 - Application 2: Lot 2 (Retail/Residential);
 - Application 3: Lot 5 (Seniors Living); and
 - Application 4: Lot 4 (Residential).
- These developments will result in an indicative floor space yield of 87,056 square metres. This will include a range of other uses as discussed in the following sections
- The uses and yields are generally consistent with the development concept adopted for assessment in the Preliminary Environmental Assessment report prepared in April 2008
- The resulting overall yields include the following land use components (having regard for the different floor areas used in the parking and traffic assessment):
 - 17,995m² lettable area of bulky goods uses, including 3,165m² of trade bulky goods;
 - 5,960m² of commercial office floor area;
 - 2,500m² of lettable supermarket area (2,585m2 of floor area);
 - 3,069m² of lettable specialty and convenience shops (4,005m2 of floor area);
 - 3,719m² of medical centre floor area;
 - 1,248m² of gymnasium floor area;



- A 75 place childcare centre;
- 336 residential units;
- 50 high care seniors living units;
- 59 independent seniors living units; and
- Parking for a total of 1,469 spaces (subject to later application/s)

The parking and traffic impacts arising from the Concept Plan are discussed in the following sections. Reference should be made to the plans submitted separately to the Department of Planning, some of which are presented at reduced scale in **appendix 2** for ease of reference. It is emphasised that these plans are to be amended slightly to accommodate changes required for the Preferred Project.

It is emphasised that the above uses have a synergy so that parking and particularly traffic generation is reduced by virtue of linked trips (where patrons will divert from their existing trips) and multi-purpose trips (where one vehicle trip will involve visits to several uses). In addition, many people using the on-site facilities will be drawn from the on-site population, so that there will be a high proportion of walking trips, thereby containing external travel demand. Finally, the proposed use of car sharing will also reduce parking demands.



5. transport management and accessibility (TMAP)

5.1 introduction

The traffic impact assessment undertaken in this report, as discussed in this section below, is premised upon a 10% reduction in traffic generation from the RTA's "unconstrained" trip rates, which reflect relatively poor access to public transport for many of the land use components. To achieve this target, various initiatives are proposed. These are discussed below and include improved bus services, provision of pedestrian and bicycle linkages (including end-user facilities), taxi services, a constrained parking supply, car sharing arrangements and the formulation of a Transport Access Guide.

These should be seen in the context where the site is expected to accommodate about 1,000 employees and residents, which is comparable to the employee levels previously associated with the Sunbeam factory operations.

5.2 bus services

5.2.1 existing bus services

Numerous bus services operate in the vicinity of the site, including along Canterbury Road (280 metres from the site), Kingsgrove Road (600 metres), Bexley Road (760 metres) and William Street (580 metres). The various existing routes operating in the vicinity of the site are shown in **figure 4** and can also be found on the State Transit Authority (STA) website.

These services operate regularly and will provide an alternative travel mode choice for residents, employees and visitors associated with the proposed development. The use of these services should be encouraged by residential strata managers and employers where possible. This may include the provision of current service timetable and route information within reception, foyer and/or other communal areas within the site. Furthermore, routes 423 and L23 (pre-pay) provide access to



Railway Square (Central CBD) in approximately 30 minutes from William Street (itself approximately a 6.5 minute walk from the site).

5.2.2 Proposed bus services

The potential to divert some existing services to serve the subject development exists due to the increased residential, commercial and retail yields. Accordingly, bus stops are intended on both sides of Charlotte Street immediately adjacent to the site. No buses are intended to use the internal road system. This is considered essential having regard for the very moderate walking distances to any part of the site from the perimeter road system, the improved pedestrian linkages as now proposed under the Preferred Plan, and the safety and amenity impacts that would arise from the use of these quiet local roads, which have been designed to provide a high standard of pedestrian convenience and amenity.

Discussions have been held with existing bus operators in the locality to assess the potential for route diversions to provide improved site accessibility. These have included Sydney Buses and Punchbowl Buses. The STA has agreed to investigate diversions of some services past the site along Harp Street and Charlotte Street, although it is likely given the moderate employee and resident numbers that these will be off-peak services intended to assist the general public. Punchbowl Buses has no current plans to alter existing bus services, although further discussions will be undertaken in consultation with the Ministry of Transport to identify possible diversions and frequencies.

The existing STA bus routes are shown in more detail in **figures 7** and 8, with candidate diversions shown in **figure 9**. These diversions will be subject to ongoing discussions with STA representatives with the intention of incorporating them into a TMAP agreement. These diversions will, if adopted, provide direct connections to Campsie Station, Bankstown Station, Rockdale Station and Hurstville Station.

The existing Punchbowl Bus services are shown in **figure 10**, with the a candidate diversion shown in **figure 11**. This would provide access to Belmore Station and Roselands shopping centre. These diversions will also be subject to ongoing discussions with Punchbowl Buses and the Ministry of Transport, with the intention of also incorporating them into a TMAP agreement. It is noted that if Alfred Street were to be closed at some time in the future, the possibility would still remain to keep it open to bus services.



figure 7 existing STA bus routes 415, 487, 492 & 494









> figure 8 existing STA bus routes 400, 423 &499





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figure 9 possible variation to STA bus routes 487 & 492







figure 10 existing punchbowl bus company route 477







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figure 11 possible variation to punchbowl bus company routes 477



5.3 rail services

Rail services provide access to the wider transport network serving the greater metropolitan area. Numerous stations are located in the wider vicinity of the site including Campsie (approximately 1.6 kilometres from the site), Belmore and Kingsgrove. Residents and staff of the subject site are not anticipated to walk to these stations as the distance involved is considered slightly too far for the average person. However, diverted bus services as discussed above will provide a direct connection and this will provide access by employees, residents and visitors.

5.4 pedestrian and bicycle linkages

The pedestrian and bicycle linkages are shown in **figure 12**. It can be seen that the development proposes improved linkages (subject to the approval of Council's Traffic Committee) which include the following:

- Pedestrian crossings on Charlotte Street to provide improved crossing at Harp Street and in the vicinity of the proposed bus stop north of New Troy Street (northbound) and north of Harp Street (southbound);
- Pedestrian crossings at the intersection of Harp Street with Alfred Street;
- A pedestrian crossing of New Troy Street at its intersection with Charlotte Street;
- Two new internal crossings across New Alfred Street (within the site) which are located on expected desire-lines, which link Lots 1 and 2 at grade;
- Provision of a new pedestrian access onto Charlotte Street between Harp Street and New Troy Street;
- An extensive footpath system on both sides of all internal roads;
- Maintenance of the on-road cycle lanes in Charlotte Street and Harp Street;
- Future provision of a shared pedestrian/cycle path extending to Viking Street at the corner of Wade Street and New Harp Street, through Council's vacant site; and





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figure 12



Connectivity to all footpath systems in the locality on all public roads, with the ability to access bus services on Bexley Road and Canterbury Road;

In summary, the development of the public road network within the site provides an internal system of footpaths that will allow pedestrians to move freely within and through the site. This system links with the existing pedestrian network external to the site. The entire road system incorporates kerb blisters and landscaping to provide an attractive streetscape; and to slow traffic. Safe crossing opportunities are available on all desire-lines, including connections to possible future bus services on Charlotte Street and Harp Street as discussed previously.

It is expected that cyclists will use the internal road carriageways that are provided as a shared on road facility. This is considered appropriate as these roads do not form part of a through -cycle route, rather they are at a destination. In addition, shower facilities will be available within buildings and bicycle storage provision is to be made in accordance with Council's requirements. Reference should be made to individual Project Application reports for details regarding the specific provision of the various components of the site. The predominant bulky goods use is nevertheless expected to generate only moderate demand for bicycles.

The majority of the external cycle routes are via the shared road carriageways, with exclusive cycle lanes provided only along Charlotte Street to the north and along Harp Street between Alfred Street and Charlotte Street. As such, the provision for shared on-road facilities within the site is consistent with the overall cycle plan of the surrounding area. The subject site does not specifically form part of the existing or proposed cycle network and it is considered sufficient to provide access to these established routes only. Therefore, dedicated cycle lanes within the site are not considered necessary.

5.5 pedestrian safety

The internal design and particularly vehicle access locations has taken due account of pedestrian safety. The overall pedestrian linkages are shown in **figure 13** and these also show the proposed treatment at all vehicular crossings. In summary, all driveways are designed as standard laybacks so that pedestrians have priority. All driveways also are in accordance with AS 2890.1 and AS 2890.2, which includes the provision of appropriate sight lines.





figure 13 pedestrian safety



5.6 taxi services

Taxi services will be able to access the site directly via the internal road system. It is recommended that a taxi bay be provided within New Alfred Street and this is accommodated by the design and simply requires existing parallel parking spaces to be allocated and signposted. This is a matter that will also be finalised in consultation with Council's traffic committee.

5.7 car share and car pool arrangements

It is considered that car share arrangements will form an integral part of future Project Applications and this can be conditioned. This will be prepared having regard for relevant guidelines when available and a copy of any such guideline has been requested from the RTA. In general, a parking system such as "GoGet" is contemplated which has potential application to all non-resident land uses and this will be effective in reducing retail/commercial tenant parking demands. In this regard, as a general proposition, one "GoGet" car is able to meet the needs of many users, substantially reducing the need for a 'designated' car and thereby reducing parking demands. Based on the experience of "GoGet", one shared space is equivalent to 5 'normal' spaces. It is expected that adoption of a car share and ride share policy will also support a 10% to 20% reduction to be achieved in employee parking levels. The implementation of a car share policy is a matter that can be conditioned having regard for relevant guidelines in association with individual applications.

In addition, it is recommended that two on-street spaces in New Alfred Street be allocated as car share spaces, ensuring a high level of visibility to the principle commercial/retail frontage.

5.8 servicing

The road system has been developed to ensure safe and convenient access to all parts of the site, based on the required Design Vehicle. The largest commercial vehicle is an articulated truck in the case of Lot 1, with a 12.5m rigid truck for other service areas. This is similarly a matter for assessment during later Project Application/s and compliance with relevant standards is proposed.



Servicing of the residential component of the development will be accommodated on-street by Councils garbage services, which will be assessed for all relevant Project Applications. Refer to Project Application reports for details on Lots 1 and 3.

5.9 perimeter road frontages

The design of the perimeter road frontages of Charlotte Street and Harp Street needs to have regard for the new public road linkages that are created as well as the need for improved pedestrian and bicycle connections and site access requirements. The road layout will also need to be the subject of further discussions with Council and approval will need to be obtained from the Traffic Committee. Nevertheless, a concept layout is provided in **figure 14** which shows how these various design parameters have been resolved external to the site. This should also be seen in the context of the traffic calming measures that are available as discussed further below.

5.10 parking requirements

5.10.1 parking rates and provision

The site is subject to the controls of Canterbury Council's Parking DCP No. 20 (Car Parking), although regard needs also to be given to the requirements of the RTA's Guideline as well as other surveybased assessments where these are of assistance. Specifically, the Director General's requirements seek to reduce parking as far as possible while promoting other (non-car) travel modes. This however needs to be balanced against the practical reality that some car-dependent uses (notably bulky goods uses) are car-dependent and need to provide sufficient parking to ensure that on-street demands do not occur, which would have amenity impacts. The required parking levels for each land use component are considered separately below.

Bulky Goods

There is a total of 17,995m2 of bulky foods retail lettable floor area within the site, which includes 3,165m2 of trade retail area. Council's DCP does not provide a rate for this use but rather requires an assessment based approach. It is therefore instructive to review the RTA's Guidelines which has an average rate of 1.9 spaces/100m2 GLFA, but with a significant range of 0.3 to 5.1 spaces/100m2





figure 14 lane configurations on frontage roads



GLFA. It is considered that reliance on the average rate of 2.4 spaces/100m2 will suppress car usage to a reasonable degree and is in line with surveys of similar developments. Accordingly, adoption of 2.4 spaces/100m2 is recommended for this (car dependent) use, resulting in a need for 430 spaces.

Specialty Retail and Other Shops

Council's DCP requires 1 space/22m2 of floor area which when applied to the overall 4,005m2 of floor area results in a need for 182 parking spaces. This does not take account of the fact that the retail will serve the residents and employees in the locality to a significant extent, with these people walking to the shops. In these circumstance, adoption of a rate of 1 space/34m2 is recommended, which is a reduction of about 35%. This approach is in accordance with the objectives of the DCP as well as the Director General's requirements and results in a need for a total of about 115 spaces. These will be shared between Lots 1 and 2.

Supermarket

Council's DCP requires 1 space/22m2 floor area which when applied to the overall 2,585m2 of floor area results in a need for 118 parking spaces. This compares with a rate of 1 space/24m2 based on the RTA's Guidelines which would result in a comparable level of provision. In the circumstances, having regard for the Director General's requirements to reduce parking, the fact that the supermarket will to a significant extent serve the local residents and employees, but having regard also for the cardependent nature of supermarkets, a slightly reduced rate of 1 space/28m2 is recommended, resulting in a need for about 90 spaces.

7 Commercial

Council's DCP requires 1 space/40m2 of floor area which is the same as the RTA's requirement. Adoption of this rate is considered appropriate to ensure that on-street parking does not occur, which would impact on the amenity of the locality, notably existing residents. With 5,960m2 of commercial floor area, a need for 149 spaces results and 146 are provided.

Gymnasium

Council's DCP recommends a rate of 7.5 spaces/100m2 of floor area as a guide. With an area of 1,248m2, this would result in a need for 94 spaces. This does not take account of the fact that the



gym will serve the residents and employees in the locality to a significant extent, with these people walking to the gym. In these circumstances, adoption of a lower rate is recommended, particularly as the RTA's Guidelines minimum rate is 4.5 spaces/100m2. It is therefore proposed to provide 60 spaces, which equates to a rate of 4.8 spaces/100m2. This approach is also in accordance with the objectives of the DCP as well as the Director General's requirements.

Childcare Centre

The childcare centre accommodates 75 children. Council's DCP requires 1 space per 2 staff, with a minimum of 2 spaces. It is assumed that the centre will employ up to 15 staff (on site at any one time) so that a need for 8 spaces results. It is relevant that this level of provision makes no allowance for parents/carers and based on the RTA's Guideline, a 75 place centre would require 19 spaces, including 8 staff spaces and 11 parent/carer spaces (note that the RTA's Guideline does not provide a split between staff spaces and parent/carer spaces). It is therefore proposed to provide 8 staff spaces, with 5 on-street spaces for set-down and pick-up. The demand for parent set-down and pick up is reduced from the RTA's requirement due to the fact that many parents will live or work within the site and will walk to the childcare centre

Medical Centre

Council's DCP requires 2 spaces per health consulting room. This level of detail is not available at Concept Plan application stage and it is therefore considered that reliance on the RTA's Guideline is a more appropriate basis for assessment. The Guideline recommends a minimum provision of 4 spaces/100m2 of GFA. Based on the proposed 3,719m2 of GFA, a need for 149 spaces results. However, this does not take account of the fact that many visitors will be residents and employees who will walk to the centre. In addition, the peak retail parking demands will typically occur on a Thursday evening or Saturday morning so that peak medical centre demands, which occur throughout the day, will be able to share this parking. With some 670 retail parking spaces available within the site, provision of 90 medical centre spaces is proposed which equates to a theoretical discount of 40%, but with effective full provision subject to the sharing of only 9% of the retail parking

Residential Units

Council's DCP requires one space per 1 bedroom unit or studio unit; 1.2 spaces per unit for a 2 bedroom unit; and 2 spaces per unit for a 3 (or more) bedroom unit. Additional visitor parking is required at a rate of 1/5 units. The overall site accommodates 336 units, including 65 one bedroom



units, 245 two bedroom units and 26 three bedroom units. Hence, the parking requirement will be for 478 spaces as follows:

- 65 units @ 1.0/unit 65 spaces; plus;
- 245 units @ 1.2/unit 294 spaces; plus;
- 26 units @ 2.0/unit 52 spaces; plus
- **7** 336 units @ 1/5 units 67 spaces

High Care Seniors Living Units

Council's DCP does not provide a parking rate for this use category. The RTA's Guideline 1 space/10 units for residents, plus 1 space/10 units for visitors, if it is assumed that the development is a self-contained, subsidised development. With 50 high care units, a need for 10 spaces results. It is considered that this would be appropriate whether the development was self-funded or subsidised, as defined by the RTA.

The requirements of the SEPP (Housing for Seniors) 2004 also need to be considered. This requires 1/10 beds plus 1/2 employees. The 50 beds therefore require 5 spaces. Preliminary estimates indicate that there will be a total of 80 staff associated with the high care accommodation and it is assumed that this would include up to 50 staff during the main day shift. This would result in a need for 25 staff spaces. Hence, a need for a total of 35 spaces is required for the high care facility

Independent Seniors Living Units

Council's DCP does not provide a parking rate for this use category. The RTA's Guideline recommends 2 spaces/3 units for residents, plus 1 space/5 units for visitors, if it is assumed that the development is a self-contained, resident funded development. With 59 ILU's, a need for 52 spaces results, comprising 34 resident spaces and 12 visitor spaces.

The requirements of the SEPP (Housing for Seniors) 2004 also need to be considered. This requires 0.5 spaces/bedroom; with no specific requirement for visitor parking. With 51 two bed and 8 one bed units (110 beds) this results in a need for 55 resident spaces. Some visitor parking is recommended



having regard for the location of these uses (Lot 5, south of New Harp Street), whereby reliance on other parking on site will be relatively remote so that sharing will not be practicable. Overall, provision of 55 resident spaces and 10 visitor spaces is considered satisfactory for this component, particularly as reliance on on-street parking will be possible

Summary of Parking Requirements

The above assessment results in the need for parking as shown in table 2. The table also includes the level of provision shown on the Concept Plan application drawings and associated schedules.

Lot	Use	Yield (GFA unless stated otherwise)	Spaces Required (as assessed above)	Spaces Proposed
Lot 1	Bulky Goods	17,995m ² GLFA	430	448
	Gym	1,248m ²	93	93
	Specialty Retail	1,254m ²	42	60
	Commercial	5,960m ²	146	146
			711	747
Lot 2	Residential	214 units	294	294
	Shops	2,751m ²	92	55
	Supermarket	2,585m ²	92	90
	Medical Centre	3,719m ²	151	90
			629	529
Lot 3	Residential	58 units	85	85
	Childcare	75 places	8	8
			93	93
Lot 4	Residential	64 units	90	96
Lot 5	High Care Seniors	50 units	35	35
	Independent Living	59 units	65	65
			100	100
TOTAL			1,533	1,469

table 2: parking allocations to individual lots

Note 1: Includes discounts for local trips and sharing as discussed



The above allocations provide satisfactory parking for each lot which will ensure that each stage of development (lot combinations) is self sufficient, so that on-street parking demands will not occur. It is noted that based on the RTA's Guidelines, the above uses would require significantly more parking based on the 'unrestrained' demand for parking. The proposed parking provision is about 4% below Council's requirements (even with the reduced rates and with sharing), which is considered an appropriate outcome for the development, which responds to the Director General's requirements to minimise parking provision. This is achieved even though this is limited in scope due to the cardependent nature of several uses on the site

5.10.2 disabled parking

This is a matter for assessment during later Project Application/s and compliance with relevant Australian standards is proposed. Refer to Project Application reports for details on Lots 1 and 3.

5.11 transport access guide

The NSW Government State Plan (November 2006) includes the following transport targets:

- Increase the mode share of public transport trips to the Sydney CBD to 75%;
- Increase journeys to work within the Sydney metropolitan region by public transport to 25% by 2016;
- **7** Consistently meet public transport reliability targets for all forms of public transport;
- Road fatalities continue to fall relative to distance travelled;
- Increase the number of people who live within 30 minutes of a city or major centre by public transport in metropolitan Sydney;
- Maintain current travel speeds along Sydney's major road corridors despite increase in travel volumes;



Generally the primary objective of Government behind establishing a Transport Access Guide for a major development is to reduce the reliance on private vehicle usage associated with the proposed development. Increasing the number of journey to work trips by public transport is considered the most relevant State target, identified above, with regard to the subject development. A reduced target of say 10-15% is arguably more realistic and appropriate when considering that the overall metropolitan target will be significantly influenced by mode shares associated with major centres including the Sydney CBD. In the subject case and having regard form the proposed uses, a target of 10% is considered achievable in relation to the journey to work trips, as discussed above. Part of reducing the mode share of private vehicle use will involve promoting the use of other travel modes including public transport, cycling and walking. These are also discussed above.

It is expected that the preparation of a Transport Access Guide will be included as a condition of consent and will form part of the TMAP Agreement.

5.12 traffic impacts

5.12.1 trip generation

It is usual practice to adopt trip rates published by the Roads and Traffic Authority for individual land use components, as set out in the document entitled "Guide to Traffic Generating Developments". While this is appropriate for some land uses, it is not appropriate for the proposed trade centre bulky goods component. In this regard, this use is a relatively new concept which has unique attributes that do not reflect any of the land use categories in the Guideline. In these circumstances the Guideline recommends that comparisons be made with similar developments. In recognition of this methodology TRAFFIX has previously undertaken extensive surveys of trade centres that are similar to that proposed. The sites surveyed were as follows:

- The Chatswood Business Centre
- ↗ Your Home Centre, Castle Hill
- **7** The Enterprise Centre, Artarmon
- **7** The business Centre, Artarmon

These surveys were undertaken on Thursday evenings and Saturday mornings and the aggregated results are result in the following trip rates for the trade component:



- Weekday AM Peak 0.58 trips/100m2 GFA
- Weekday PM Peak 1.04 trips/100m2 GFA

In addition, the development concept incorporates a normal 'public' bulky goods area and the trip rates for this have been assessed on the basis of averaging over several sources, including the RTA's Guideline, other surveys held by TRAFFIX in relation to the Moore Park SuperCenta, Caringbah SupaCenta; and recent surveys of the existing Mitre 10 hardware store at Narellan. This latter development is very similar to this component of the proposed concept as there is a likelihood that this could be a hardware store with a shared trade and public use, as occurs at Narellan. Having regard for this, the adoption of average rates below potentially overstates the level of traffic generation. The aggregation of these sources has resulted in the adoption of the following trip rates for the public bulky goods component:

- Weekday AM Peak 0.70 trips/100m2 GFA
- Weekday PM Peak 2.5 trips/100m2 GFA
- Saturday AM Peak 4.0 trips/100m2 GFA

The trip rates adopted for the other uses have been based on the RTA's Guideline rates. In addition to the above, it is expected that an extensive public transport management plan is capable of reducing private car use to a significant extent. This would include policies aimed at maximising ride sharing, providing public transport incentives, and increasing services to key centres. These policies target significant reductions in private car use and by way of example, the Optus development at Ryde has a 40% public transport target, which compares with about 15% under current travel patterns. On this basis, it is considered reasonable to allow a moderate 10% reduction in the above rates across all uses. Finally, the following adjustments have been made for individual land uses:

- 50% of places within the childcare centre are assumed to be associated with on-site employees or residents; or will occur as linked trips and will generate no additional traffic movements;
- The convenience retailing serves the needs of passing traffic (linked trips), as well as multipurpose trips. These are not additional trips on the road network and the RTA's Guideline permits a discount of 25% in trip rates for these factors. This use also has reduced parking;



- 50% of traffic generated by the gymnasium is assumed to be associated with on-site employees and residents; or will occur as multi-purpose or linked trips. These people will generate no additional traffic movements and will walk to the gym;
- 50% of traffic generated by the medical centre is assumed to be associated with on-site employees, apartment residents or retirees; or will occur as multi-purpose or linked trips. These people will generate no additional traffic movements, and
- The commercial offices will generate trips at a rate of 1.5 trips/space (compared with 2.0 under the RTA's Guidelines) as it is intended to allocate 20% of all commercial parking as visitor parking to reduce employee car use and in addition, improvements are expected in the medium to long term in response to a Transport Access Guide. This will include measures to promote high car occupancies, to promote public transport and other travel modes and would be prepared in response to a suitable condition on any consent. The resultant traffic generation for the overall development concept is shown in table 3, based on lettable area only for the retail uses. This includes rates for the critical weekday peak period, as well as for Saturday morning.



Use	GFA or	Weekday AM Peak		Weekday PM Peak		Saturday AM Peak	
	NFA (m ²)	Rate	Trips	Rate	Trips	Rate	Trips
Lot 1							
Bulky Retail	14,830	0.57	84	2.0	296	3.3	488
Gym	1,248	4.05	50	4.05	50	4.05	50
Trade Retail	3,165	0.52	16	0.94	30	0.94	30
Specialty Retail	1,254	0.63	8	2.25	28	3.60	46
Commercial	5,960	1.5	87	1.5	87	nil	nil
TOTAL			245		491		614

table 3: adopted trip rates and traffic generation for concept plan

Lot 3							
Childcare	75 places	0.36/child	26	0.32/child	24	nil	Nil
Units	58 units	0.36/unit	22	0.36/unit	22	0.2/unit	12
TOTAL			48		46		12

Lot 2							
Units	214	0.36/unit	77	0.36/unit	77	0.2/unit	42
Shops	2,751	2.0	54	4.5	120	4.5	120
Supermarket	2,500	2.0	50	6.8	170	6.8	170
Medical Centre	3,719	3.96	148	3.96	148	2.0	74
TOTAL			329		515		406



Lot 5							
High care	50 units	0.1/unit	5	0.1/unit	5	0.1/unit	5
Normal Care	59 units	0.2/unit	12	0.2/unit	12	0.2/unit	12
TOTAL			17		17		17

Lot 4							
Units	64 units	0.36/unit	24	0.36/unit	24	0.2/unit	12
TOTAL			24		24		12

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Note: The areas and yields shown have altered

It can be seen from table 3 that the development will result in moderate traffic volumes during the AM peak period, with peak demands occurring on a Thursday evening or Saturday morning. These trips are also very similar to those established in the 2006 traffic report and the Preliminary Environmental Assessment and have been previously accepted in principle.

5.12.2 traffic distributions

The impact of the above traffic generation and distribution onto the surrounding intersections is indicated by the future performance of the surrounding critical intersection. These intersections have been previously assessed under existing traffic conditions in Section 3.

In can be seen that predicted flows on a weekday AM Peak would be similar to those that have historically occurred. Flows during the weekday PM peak and on weekends would be higher, although the latter occur at a time when 'background' traffic volumes on the road system are lower



than on a weekday peak period. The critical period for assessment is therefore the weekday PM peak period, although Saturday morning conditions have also been assessed. The above trips have been assigned to the road network on the basis of the following distributions:

Arrivals

- **7** 25% in from the east via Canterbury Road and Charlotte Street;
- **5%** in from the north via Thorncraft Parade;
- **7** 30% in from the west via Harp Street and Kingsgrove Road;
- 15% in from the south via Kingsgrove Road;
- **7** 15% in from the south via William Street and Alfred Street; and
- **7** 10% in from the east via Bexley Road and Jarrett Street

Departures

- ↗ 25% out to the east via Charlotte Street and Canterbury Road;
- **5%** out to the north via Thorncraft Parade;
- 5% out to the west via Charlotte and Canterbury Road;
- 25% out to the west via Kingsgrove Road and Canterbury Road;
- 15% out to the south via Kingsgrove Road;
- 15% out to the south via Alfred Street and William Street; and
- 7 10% out to the east via Alfred Street and Jarrett Street

These distributions are the same as those provided in the preliminary traffic report, which were previously accepted. The distributions are based on the expected catchment (and expenditure patterns) for the predominant retail use (in terms of traffic generation) and are considered reasonable, having regard for the surrounding road system. The distributions are based on a 5km radius catchment (including primary, secondary and tertiary catchment areas), with the vast majority of trade drawn from within 2kms. In a more local context, the trip distributions "to and from the development sites" has had regard for the location of driveways and the relative attraction of each access to parking. It is acknowledged that access distributions may vary. However, any variations are not



expected to alter any of the conclusions that have been made. Notwithstanding, this has been assessed in more detail below.

5.12.3 Weekday peak period traffic impacts

Existing development at full capacity

A general context for the application is to review the impacts that the existing development operating at full capacity would have. The generation of the existing site has been discussed in section 3 above and indicates that the existing development generated in the order of 600 veh per hour during peak periods, compared to the 1,093 vehicles under the current application during the more critical PM peak period. Importantly, the analysis of the key intersections in the vicinity of the site has assumed a net increase over surveyed volumes, at which time the site generates minimal traffic activity. To the extent that traffic activity currently occurs on the site, this has not been taken into account so that future intersection performances as assessed are considered conservative.

7 Future development at full capacity

The trips shown in table 3 (1,093 veh/hr) have been distributed onto the road system based on the above distributions. The additional traffic on available access routes is shown in **figures 7 and 8**. The resulting performance of all intersections assessed in Section 3 is provided in table 4. This also shows the performance of the intersections of Charlotte Street with New Troy Street; and New Harp Street with New Alfred Street, which are both newly-created intersections arising from the developed public road system.



Intersection Description	Control	Time Period	Degree of Saturation	Intersection Delay (secs)	Level of Service
Charlotte/Canterbury	Signals	AM PM	0.83 0.83	36.5 41.1	C C
Bexley/Canterbury	Signals	AM PM	0.97 1.00	33.0 37.6	C C
Kingsgrove/Harp	Signals	AM PM	0.83 1.00	26.1 37.7	B C
Charlotte/Harp	Roundabout	AM PM	0.33 0.50	10.8 12.0	A A
Alfred/Jarrett	Roundabout	AM PM	0.10 0.21	11.6 11.2	A A
Kingsgrove/Canterbury	Signals	AM PM	0.85 0.80	42.1 40.3	C C
Jarrett/Bexley	Signals	AM PM	0.21 0.48	7.6 16.9	A B
Charlotte/New Troy	Priority	AM PM	0.49 0.44	32.8 23.8	C B
New Harp/New Alfred	Priority	AM PM	0.04 0.19	10.4 14.9	A B

table 4: future intersection performances during AM & PM peak periods

The above results are based upon the following improvements, following further consideration of issues raised by Council and the RTA:

At the intersection of Charlotte Street and Canterbury Road, the "No Stopping" restriction on the northern approach along Charlotte Street has been increased an additional 30 metres (from 30m to 60m) to the south;



- At the intersection of Kingsgrove Road and Harp Street, a leading right turn phase has been introduced for westbound traffic in Harp Street. Furthermore, Council's request to lengthen the right turn bay for northbound vehicles on Kingsgrove Road is accepted. It is proposed to lengthen this bay to 70 metres (greater than the 95% queue length) although we note that this is not essential based on modelling undertaken.
- At the intersection of New Harp and New Alfred Street, a four-way priority-controlled intersection is proposed; and;
- At the intersection of Charlotte Street with New Troy Street, a passing bay is proposed to provide a safe right turn entry into the site and to overcome on street queuing effects;

Based on the above improvements, traffic conditions remain only moderately affected, with only slight increases in delays at all intersections examined and with no change in levels of service. The RTA has also agreed that no allowance needs to be made for growth in background traffic along Canterbury Road, based on its own strategic modelling.

5.12.4 sensitivity testing

The RTA has raised the issue of the need to consider a separate distribution for employees, based on journey to work data. The 2006 JTW data has been reviewed and the 1,093 veh/hr shown in Table 3 has been disaggregated and residents and employees account for a total of 269 veh/hr. This represents only 25% of the total traffic generated by the site, with the vast majority of the remaining trips (786 veh/hr) being retail shopping trips.

A separate distribution and trip assignment for the 269 resident and employee tips was undertaken which related to 157 employee trips (32 in, 125 out); and 112 resident trips (93 in, 19 out). Of these 269 trips, 30% were previously assumed to travel to/from the south. These were assigned slightly differently for the arrivals and departures to take account of the available access routes. Based on a review of the JTW data it is evident that travel to/from the south is likely to increase from 30% to a maximum of 40%. Accordingly, JTW travel to/from the south (i.e. non-retail trips) will increase from 80 veh/hr (30% of 269veh/hr) to 108 veh/hr (40% of 269veh/hr). To provide an additional safety factor, an additional 40 veh/hr were assumed to make use of the Harp Street-Kingsgove Road route which provides full interchange with the M5 Motorway. This is essentially a 100% increase in JTW trips on this route, which was assessed as 40 veh/hr in the above assessment. The implications of this additional traffic are discussed below.



Kingsgrove Road Parking Restrictions

The impacts of this additional traffic have been assessed for the critical PM peak period at this intersection and the results indicate that the right turn lane in Kingsgrove Road (southern approach) requires a length of 70 metres. This will require a commensurate permanent increase in the kerbside parking restrictions. Subject to this, the performance of this intersection will be satisfactory. These results have been provided separately to the RTA.

Charlotte Street Parking Restrictions

This intersection has been remodelled to overcome the lane overflow effects in Charlotte Street and the results show that the introduction of a 110 metre long kerbside lane in Charlotte Street on approach to Canterbury Road is required to overcome this concern and parking restrictions will need to be increased commensurately during the PM peak period.

5.12.5 saturday AM traffic impacts

The development is predicted to generate a peak flow of 1,059 veh/hr on a Saturday morning as shown in table 3, which is less than the levels generated on a busy weekday evening. Sample surveys undertaken on a Saturday morning indicate that existing flows on the road system are about 25% less than occur during the weekday peak period, due to spreading. This is a consequence of the predominant industrial nature of the locality. Hence, these flows can be accommodated

5.12.6 sunday traffic impacts

Traffic generation on a Sunday will only relate to the public bulky goods use. This is expected to generate about 500 veh/hr which is moderate and occurs at a time when background volumes are lower. This is also evidenced by the available AADT data which shows that Sunday volumes on Canterbury Road are 19% lower than occur on a weekday. It is therefore concluded that these volumes can also be readily accommodated with no significant road capacity impacts and with good intersection levels of service.



5.12.7 sunday traffic impacts

The assessment of environmental impacts within residential areas is an important consideration. In this regard, traffic volumes on key roads will alter as shown in table 5, based on the flow increases shown in figures 7 and 8.

5.12.8 environmental amenity impacts

The assessment of environmental impacts within residential areas is an important consideration. In this regard, traffic volumes on key roads will alter as shown in table 5, based on the flow increases shown in figures 7 and 8.

Street	Status	Period	Existing	Additional	Total	% Increase
Capterbury Rd (west of site)	state	AM	2320	201	2521	8%
	olato	PM	2297	307	2604	13%
Kingsgrove Road (north of site)	Regional	AM	1263	153	1416	12%
		PM	1156	261	1417	23%
Thorncraft Pde (north of site)	Collector	AM	980	30	1010	3%
	Collector	PM	1082	41	1123	4%
Charlotte Street (north of site)	Collector	AM	642	199	841	30%
		PM	579	339	918	58%
Harn Street (west of site)	Collector	AM	690	244	934	35%
		PM	513	443	956	86%
Arthur Street (south of site)	Collector	AM	337	153	490	45%
	Concotor	PM	376	261	637	69%
Jarrett Street (east of Alfred)	Local		226	61	287	27%
			272	105	377	38%

table 5: existing and future mid block traffic volumes (veh/hr two way-combined)



The above increases on collector roads, while significant in relative terms, are not unacceptable for collector roads they are considered to remain within acceptable limits in absolute terms. In this regard, these streets are not exclusively residential streets by virtue of the presence of non-residential uses in the locality, including the subject site with its industrial zoning. Accordingly, the 6,000 veh/day environmental threshold that typically applies to residential collector streets (refer AMCORD 1990) is not relevant for adoption, other than for reference purposes. This is particularly the case for Harp Street, which is predominantly within an established industrial precinct. Hence, flows significantly in excess of 6,000 vpd (or 600 veh/hr) would reasonably be expected for comparable streets.

It is considered that the impacts on Charlotte Street and Harp Street are a direct consequence of the intensification of this underutilised site and that the previous use of the site, which generated some 480 veh/hr during peak periods, would have had similar impacts, particularly during the AM peak period. The provision of efficient site accesses, via the permeable public road system that is proposed, will also mitigate against any adverse local traffic impacts.

Traffic volume increases will be more noticeable on Saturdays and Sundays due principally to the bulky goods uses. However, these will below the current traffic levels that occur on weekdays, with the most notable impacts occurring at the proposed site accesses. However, these operate efficiently, so that queuing effects will be moderate.

Traffic volume impacts on Troy Street relate only to Lot 3 which incorporates 58 residential units and the child care centre. These will generate minimal traffic activity, which will have a significantly lower impact than the historic and current industrial uses on the site that rely on this route.

5.12.9 alfred street and residential amenity

The development proposes to allocate about 25% of all traffic onto Alfred Street, which accesses the southern catchment area. The additional volumes are therefore significant and this does raise a potential concern in relation to amenity impacts.

In the case of Alfred Street itself, traffic volumes are expected to increase by up to 69% in the PM peak although this will only occur in the section between Jarrett Street and Harp Street. This should be seen in the context of the previous use of the site by Sunbeam, which also generated significant



volumes on Alfred Street which have now been removed and are not reflected in the above analysis. It is noted that this route is currently used as a rat-run and that there is an opportunity to reduce through traffic volumes slightly by implementing moderately aggressive local area traffic management measures. This would also have the effect of increasing the environmental capacity of this route as acknowledged in Section 4.3.5 of the RTA's "Guide to Traffic Generating Developments", to the extent that resultant volumes should not be a concern even with the development.

The section of Alfred Street south of Jarrett Street presently carries 356 veh/hr in the PM peak and this is predicted to increase by 156 veh/hr (with reduced flows in the AM peak). The majority of this traffic increase will be local trips accessing the development. It is considered that a moderate reduction in these resultant volumes would occur with a regime of appropriate traffic devices. One option for the precinct is presented in **figure 15**. This incorporates threshold devices to identify the precinct as a 'special' residential area, together with one-way slow points to slow traffic and discourage unnecessary rat-running. Based on this option, it is anticipated that traffic volumes will only increase slightly above existing levels, with reduced speeds providing a compensatory effect. These devices can be included as a suitable condition of consent, requiring the approval of Council's Traffic Committee.

Conversely, the full closure of Alfred Street as has been suggested by Council is considered unnecessary and will have unacceptable impacts. These include the severance of the local community, severely reduced local accessibility and the dislocation and redistribution of 347 veh/hr in the AM peak and 362 veh/hr during the PM peak. The latter will also involve the re-routing of this traffic onto other local residential streets that are not presently affected by through traffic infiltration.

Conversely, the proposed LATM solution provides an opportunity to manage these impacts while retaining a high level of local accessibility (including to the subject development) with no impacts in terms of community severance.





figure 15 local area traffic management option

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5.12.10 alfred street/harp street intersection

The overall traffic situation will be assisted by the new four-way junction with Harp Street and Alfred Street. This arrangement does not give priority to the current through movement, so that travel times on this route will be impacted and through traffic discouraged. The development itself will also create side-friction and hence also contribute to delays to existing through traffic or "rat-runners". Finally, the introduction of speed control measures in Alfred Street and Jarrett Street will also discourage through traffic, eliminating some of the existing rat-running" and will also increase the environmental capacity along these local routes.

The above factors overcome any need to consider a closure of Alfred Street, which would create extensive traffic diversions associated with the existing 4,200 veh/day; create unnecessary traffic concentrations on other routes; and create a dislocation of the local community. The preferred approach is to manage traffic intrusion into residential areas as indicated above. It is noted that in the event that Alfred Street remains open, the RTA considers that a roundabout should be installed at this intersection. This is not favoured for the following reasons:

- Roundabouts will give priority to the 'through' traffic movement along the Alfred Street-Harp Street route, with relatively 'free flow' conditions. This is considered counter-productive to the objective of limiting or indeed reducing through traffic from the residential areas to the south of the site. Conversely, the 'priority' movement as shown in appendix c requires the through traffic movement to give way to site-related traffic, with consequent benefits.
- Roundabouts do not provide the same level of safety or convenience for pedestrians compared with the crossings shown in appendix c; and
- A roundabout would result in additional road widening to facilitate safe turns.

5.12.11 demolition traffic impacts

It is anticipated that a detailed demolition and construction traffic management plan will be prepared as part of individual Project Applications, taking due account of proposed development stages. Refer to Project Application reports for details on Lots 1 and 3.


5.12.12 site access arrangements

The development will make reliance on the developed road system as shown on the submitted Concept Plan documentation (refer to appendix 2). All accesses comply with relevant standards and will operate safely and efficiently.

The newly-created intersection of Harp Street with Alfred Street/New Alfred Street is proposed as a four way junction, with priority to the east-west movement along Harp Street under stop sign control. This will have the effect of discouraging through traffic movement along Alfred Street to the south of the site, which is considered desirable. Nevertheless its performance has been assessed assuming no reduction of existing traffic volumes and is acceptable.

Troy Street is proposed to be closed at its intersection with New Troy Street. This will protect the amenity of residents in Troy Street and reduce conflicts at its intersection with New Alfred Street.

The following accesses are proposed:

- Car access to Lot 1 is available via a combined entry-exit driveway onto Harp Street, serving the proposed public bulky goods use. A separate exit is provided onto New Troy Street. Servicing of Lot 1 is via a single access onto Charlotte Street, south of New Troy Street;
- Car access to Lot 2 is available via a combined entry-exit driveway onto both New Alfred Street and New Wade Street. Service vehicle access is available via a separate one-way driveway system, with entry via New Harp Street and exit onto New Wade Street;
- Car access to Lot 3 is available via Troy Street. Servicing demands for the development on this lot (58 units and a child care centre) will be negligible and can occur on-street;
- Car access to Lot 4 is available via three separate driveways onto New Wade Street. Servicing demands for the development on this lot (64 units) will be negligible and can occur on-street; and;
- Car access to Lot 5 is available via two separate driveways, with one via New Harp Street and one via Alfred Street. Servicing demands for the development on this lot (seniors living units) will be moderate and can occur on-street using the drive-through area proposed.



Sight distances to/from the proposed driveways exceed the requirements of AS2890.1 and AS 2890.2 and the driveways will operate safely.

5.12.13 internal design & carriageway widths

The internal road network and road cross-sections are shown in the plans provided in appendix 2. The available geometry has been reviewed using the AutoTurn computer program form the appropriate design vehicle and operates satisfactorily (refer to **appendix 4**). On street parking is also designed to comply with Austroads requirements. The detailed design of individual Project Applications will be subject to separate assessment and compliance with AS 2890.1.

Troy Street will terminate in a cul-de sac west of New Troy Street. This will require the creation of a turning facility for general traffic, with No Stopping restrictions for a short distance. This will require consideration by Council's Traffic Committee in due course, presumably in response to an appropriate condition of consent.

5.12.14 troy street accident data

Accident data has been obtained at the intersection of Troy Street with Canterbury Road for the 5 year period from 1 Jan 2003 to 21 December 2007. This data includes all reported accidents, which includes all tow-away and/or casualty accidents. A total of only 3 accidents occurred over this 5 year period. These included one pedestrian accident and two involving vehicles colliding with the rear of right turning vehicles into Troy Street. This is not an adverse crash history and there is no need to implement any changes at this intersection, particularly in view of its proposed closure at Troy Lane and the fact that traffic volumes are unlikely to change under the Concept Plan.



6. conclusions

The following matters are noteworthy:

- The proposed Concept Plan follows the principles and level of intensity foreshadowed in the Preliminary Environmental Assessment report;
- Traffic impacts have been assessed on the basis of the land use scenario outlined in this report and can be accommodated, subject to the public road system being developed as proposed and the improvements outlined in the report. This TMAP report will be the subject of ongoing discussions and development with a view to reaching a TMAP Agreement that underpins the Concept Plan and can provide the framework for individual Project Applications. This would include measures to achieve the 10% travel reduction target indicated, covering bus services, car share arrangements, bicycle linkages and end-user facilities, pedestrian linkages and preparation of a Transport Access Guide;
- Traffic conditions have been assessed on weekdays, Saturdays and Sundays and can be accommodated by the road system in terms of its capacity;
- The traffic impacts create no unacceptable environmental amenity concerns having regard for then predominant industrial character of the area. The volume increases in the locality are significant when compared with existing flows (with the site essentially dormant) but as all road frontages are collector roads they remain within acceptable limits;
- Speed control measures (slow points) are recommended for implementation in Alfred Street and Jarrett Street to discourage current "rat running" and to increase the environmental capacity of these routes. This is largely intended to respond to existing traffic conditions, as most the development traffic using these routes is local traffic making local trips. This approach overcomes the need to close Alfred Street at Harp Street, which would sever the local community. These measures can be conditioned and will require the approval of Council's Traffic Committee;
- The proposed access driveways comply fully with the requirements of AS2890. The one-way flow-through system is considered very satisfactory and will minimise conflicts;
- The overall parking provision (1,469 spaces) is 4% less than Council's DCP requirement as assessed (1,533 spaces, even assuming a reduced rate and with discounts for staring) and this accounts for the synergy between the uses and the ability to share parking where peak demands



do not overlap. The level of provision is also intended to promote alternate travel modes and is responsive to the Director General's requirements;

The access and internal design arrangements will be able to comply with the requirements of AS 2890.1 and AS 2890.2, subject to further assessment in the Stage 2 and 3 development applications.

It is therefore concluded that based on this TMAP report and having regard for the matters raised by Council, the RTA and the DoP, the proposed Concept Plan is supportable on traffic and transport planning grounds. The Plan establishes a comprehensive framework to facilitate subsequent staged Project Application/s.



appendix 1

photographic record





View looking west in Harp Street adjacent to the site with the Charlotte Street roundabout in the distance.





Reverse view looking east in Harp Street on approach to the sharp bend (which will be eliminated and replaced with a cross junction).



View looking north along Alfred Street towards the bend adjacent to the site.







View looking south along Bexley Road at its intersection with Jarrett Street.



View looking south along Kingsgrove Road on approach to Harp Street.







View looking east along Jarrett Street on approach to Bexley Road.



appendix 2

concept plan (extracts)

REFER TO PLANS SUBMITTED SEPARATELY



appendix 3a

SIDRA outputs (existing am peak)



appendix 3b

SIDRA outputs (existing pm peak)



appendix 3c

SIDRA outputs (future am peak)



appendix 3d

SIDRA outputs (future pm peak)



appendix 4

swept path analysis





Appendix B

Concept Plan of Amended Access Arrangements



Appendix C

Parking Comparison



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Lot	Land Use	Yield (m2 / No)	Parking Rate (per 100m2)	Parking Requirement	Approved Parking	Approved/Proposed Land Use	Approved/Proposed Land Yield	Implicit Rate	Approved / Desired Parking	Difference
1	Bulky Goods	17,995.00	2.4	430	448	Supermarket	5,300.00	4	212	
(Stage 3)	Gym	1,248.00	4.8	93	93	Specialty Retail	2,000.00	4	80	
	Specialty Retail	1,254.00	2.94	42	60	Community Centre	315.00	0.67	2	
	Commercial	5,960.00	2.5	146	146	Residential	241.00	As Below	402	
	Total			711	747	Total			696	-51
2	Residential	214.00	As Below	294	294	Residential	290	As Below	415	
(Stage 4)	Shops	2751	2.94	92	55	cafe	60	3.33	2	
	Supermarket	2,585.00	3.57	92	90					
	medical centre	3,719.00	NA	151	90					
	Total			629	529	Total			417	-112
3	Residential	58.00	As Below	85	85	Residential	58.00	As Below	85	
(Stage 1)	Childcare	75.00	Variable	8	8	Childcare	75.00	Variable	8	
	Total			93	93	Total			93	0
4	Residential	64.00	As Below	90	96	Residential	64	As Below	110	
(Stage 2)	Total			90	96	Total			110	14
5	High Care	50.00	1/5 beds + Staff	35	35	High Care	50.00	1/5 beds + Staff	35	
(Stage 5)	Independent Living	59.00	Variable	65	65	Independent Living	59.00	Variable	65	0
	Total			100	100	Total				
			1623	1565				1381	-184	

	1bed	1.0/unit
Decidential Data Adapted	2bed	1.2/unit
Residential Rate Adopted	3bed	2.0/unit
	Visitor	1.0/5 units



Appendix D

Traffic Generation Comparison



Lot	Land Use	Yield (m2 / No)	Generation Rate AM	AM Trips	Generation Rate PM	PM Trips	Approved/Proposed Land Use	Approved/Propos ed Land Yield	Generation Rate AM	AM Trips	Generation Rate PM	PM Trips	Difference AM	Difference PM
1	Bulky Goods	14,830.00	0.57	85	2	297	Supermarket	5,300.00	2	106	6.8	360		
(Stage 3)	Trade Retail	3,165.00	0.52	16	0.94	30	Specialty Retail	2,000.00	0.52	10	4.5	90		
	Gym	1,248.00	4.05	51	4.05	51	Community Centre	315.00	1	3	2	6		
	Specialty Retail	1,254.00	0.52	7	2.25	28								
	Commercial	5,960.00	1.5	89	1.5	89	Residential	241.00	0.36	87	0.36	87		
	Total			247		495	Total			206		543	-41	49
2	Residential	214.00	0.36	77	0.36	77	Residential	290	0.36	104	0.36	104		
(Stage 4)	Shops	2751	2	55	4.5	124	cafe	60	1	1	1	1		
	Supermarket	2,585.00	2	52	6.8	176								
	medical centre	3,719.00	3.96	147	3.96	147								
	Total			331		524	Total			105		105	-226	-419
3	Residential	58.00	0.36	21	0.36	21	Residential	58.00	0.36	21	0.36	21		
(Stage 1)	Childcare	75.00	0.36	27	0.36	27	Childcare	75.00	0.36	27	0.36	27		
	Total			48		48	Total			48		48	0	0
4	Residential	64.00	0.36	23	0.36	23	Residential	64	0.36	23	0.36	23		
(Stage 2)	Total			23		23	Total			23		23	0	0
5	High Care	50.00	0.1	5	0.1	5	High Care	50.00	0.1	5	0.1	5		
(Stage 5)	Independent Living	59.00	0.2	12	0.2	12	Independent Living	59.00	0.2	12	0.2	12		
Total				17		17	Total			17		17	0	0
Total				666		1106				399		736	-267	-370