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**PROJECT: BONNYRIGG CONCEPT PLAN MOD MP06\_0046 MOD 5**

**RE: DESIGN EXCELLENCE PROCESSES**

Dear Peter,

Thank you for consulting with the Government Architect NSW in relation to this project, as per SEARS issued for MP06\_0046 MOD 5.

We understand it is a SEARS requirement that LAHC "demonstrate in consultation with the Government Architect NSW how the proposal can achieve design excellence including opportunities for design review."

Having reviewed the documentation for the current MOD application and the history of the project, GANSW endorses the design process undertaken to date as aligning with our objectives for Design Excellence processes.

We understand the project began in 2008 when a team led by EDAW/AECOM and including Billard Leece Partnership, Rust Architecture and URBIS Planning was assembled to prepare the initial concept plan.

Significant changes were made in 2012 by a team comprising DKO Architects, Landcom and URBIS Planning. These amendments led to increased housing yield and public open space alongside changes to the dwelling controls to allow attached housing types such as terraces.

Subsequent design work was undertaken in 2017 by AJ+C Architects and was subject to an independent peer review by Architectus in early 2018 which resulted in a number of recommendations. LAHC has adopted the recommendations of the independent review and the final design documentation has been prepared by AJ+C Architects and Architectus in collaboration.

We note that AJ+C and Architectus have both qualified and are listed on the GANSW Strategy and Design Excellence Prequalification Scheme Register for their capabilities in the fields of both Architecture and Urban Design. DKO are also prequalified for both of these relevant skill categories.

The process of moving through a number of revisions and incremental improvements over time, coupled with the use of prequalified design consultants with a demonstrated track record for delivering design excellence satisfies the GANSW that the design activities undertaken to date align with our objectives for Design Excellence processes and outcomes.

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GANSW recommends further design review be undertaken during future development assessment stages; these may include presenting to the State Design Review Panel or in other review configurations chaired by the GANSW.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lee Hiram', written in a cursive style.

Lee Hiram  
Acting Director of Design Excellence