

Local Planning Panel

22 May 2024

application details

216-220 Wyndham Street, Alexandria

D/2023/884

Applicant/ Owner/ Developer: City West Housing

Architect: Bates Smart

Proposal

- concept proposal for a mixed-use development comprising:
 - building envelope with maximum height of 35m
 - new east-west through-site link
 - indicative uses including ground and first floor commercial uses, and affordable rental housing above
- the application is subject of a VPA requiring land dedication and a contribution towards community infrastructure

Recommendation

authority be delegated to the CEO to determine the DA, following:

- public exhibition of the draft VPA; and
- considering any public submissions received

Notification

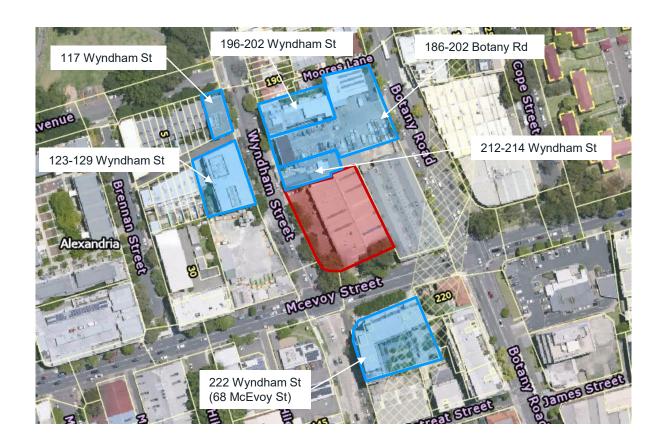
- exhibition period 20 November to 12 December 2023
- 254 owners and occupiers notified
- 52 submissions received (29 in objection and 23 in support)

Submissions

- use for affordable housing
- height and local character
- overshadowing
- heritage impacts
- visual privacy

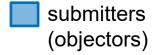
- traffic and parking
- construction impacts
- impacts to local infrastructure
- landscaping and tree removal

Submissions









Site









Wyndham Street looking north-east

Wyndham Street looking north



looking east along McEvoy Street



intersection of Wyndham Street and McEvoy Street looking south-east



site viewed from McEvoy Street looking west



looking north along Wyndham Street

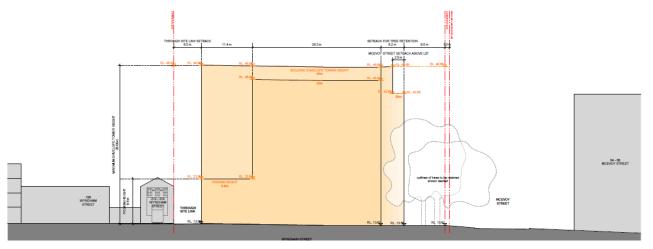
Background

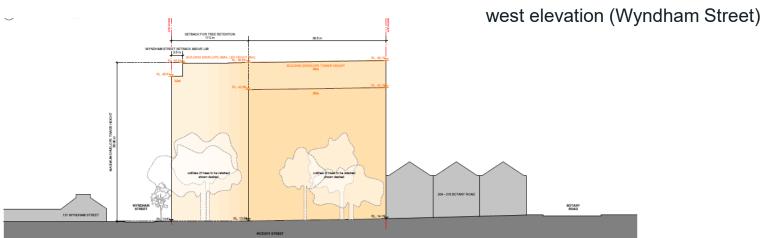
- a Planning Proposal for new controls for the Botany Road Precinct was approved by Council on 27 June 2022. This included amendments to the LEP and DCP
- new controls incentivise commercial and affordable housing development in the Precinct through incentive height and FSR controls
- this DA proposes affordable housing and seeks to utilise the new controls

Proposal









south elevation (McEvoy Street Street)



north elevation (through-site link)

Consistency with key LEP standards

	control	proposed	compliance
height	35m	35m	yes
floor space ratio	3.57:1 (including cl 6.60B Botany Road alternative FSR, cl 6.14 community infrastructure, 10% DEX)	3.31:1m	yes
car parking	72 residential max 17 retail max	13 residential	yes

Consistency with DCP controls

	control	proposed	compliance
height in storeys	9	10	NO (number of storeys not approved under concept DA)
public domain setbacks	3m McEvoy St 6m laneway	provided provided	yes
active frontages	McEvoy Street	McEvoy Street + Wyndham Street	yes

Consistency with DCP controls

	control	proposed	compliance
deep soil	10%	14.7%	yes
tree canopy	15%	15%	yes
dwelling mix	1 bed – 10-40% 2 bed – 40-75% 3 bed – 10-100%	1 bed – 65% 2 bed – 24% 3 bed – 1%	no but can be addressed in detailed DA

	control	proposed	compliance
solar	70%	74%	yes
cross vent	60%	61%	yes
overshadowing	neighbouring apts to receive 2hrs midwinter	+2 hours	yes

	control	proposed	compliance
building separation/ visual privacy (measured to site boundaries)	6m to 4 storeys	north – 6m	yes
		east - 0m blank wall	yes
		south – 10m	yes
		west – 0m + Wyndham St	yes
	9m to 8 storeys	north – 6m	no
		east – 0m blank wall	yes
		south – 10m	yes
		west – 0m + Wyndham St	yes yes yes no yes

	control	proposed	compliance
building separation/ visual privacy	12m to 9+	north – 6m no	no
	storeys	east - 0m blank wall	yes
(measured to site boundaries)		south - 12.5m	yes
		west – 0m + Wyndham St	yes – additional upper level setback may be required at detailed DA

	control	proposed	compliance
apartment size	1 bed 50m ² 2 bed 70m ² 3 bed 90m ²	1 bed 50m ² 2 bed 72m ² 3 bed 90m ²	yes
private open space	1 bed 8m ² 2 bed 10m ² 3 bed 12m ²	1 bed 8m ² 2 bed 10m ² 3 bed 12m ²	yes
communal open space	25%	25%	yes

Design Advisory Panel

- massing options were presented to the Panel on 31 August 2023
- panel noted that the trees can be retained and yield can be achieved if the number of storeys control is exceeded
- this was supported subject to:
 - consistency with ADG;
 - 8 storey blank wall being treated; and
 - apartment privacy issues being addressed.
- these issues can be resolved as part of the detailed design DA

Issues

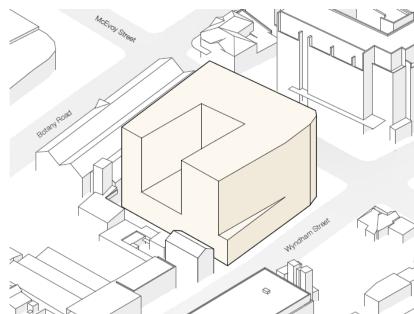
- building envelope and height in storeys
- tree management
- overshadowing
- street wall heights
- building separation
- VPA

Building envelope and height in storeys

DCP height in storeys identifies U-shape form



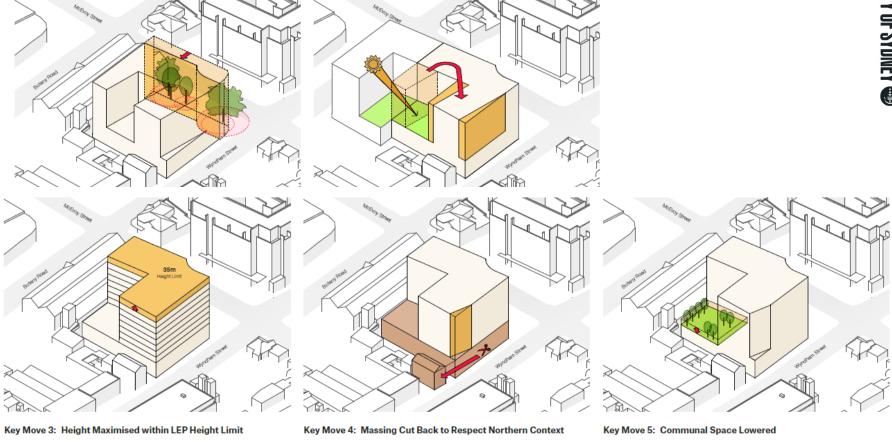
DCP height in storeys control for Botany Road Precinct



DCP massing (looking south-east)

Building envelope and height in storeys

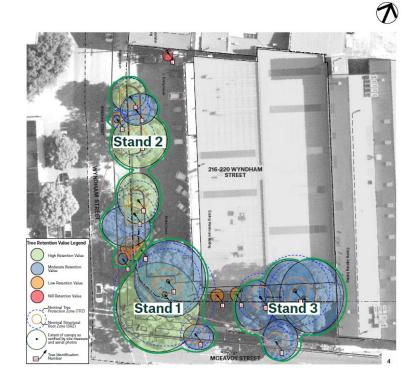
- proposed massing strategy includes:
 - 10m setback to McEvoy Street for tree retention
 - eastern volume consolidated with the west to create L-shape
 - additional 10th storey within LEP height limit
- massing strategy was supported by DAP in principle including additional 10th storey



proposed massing strategy

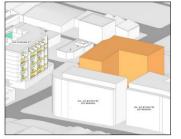
Tree management

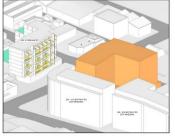
- DCP envelope would require removal of all trees
- proposed envelope allows stands1 and 3 to be retained
- loss in yield is relocated to additional 10th storey



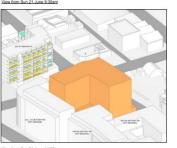
Overshadowing



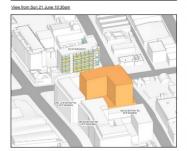
















2hrs + solar access to residential building to the south at 222 Wyndham Street is maintained between 9am-12pm in midwinter

Overshadowing



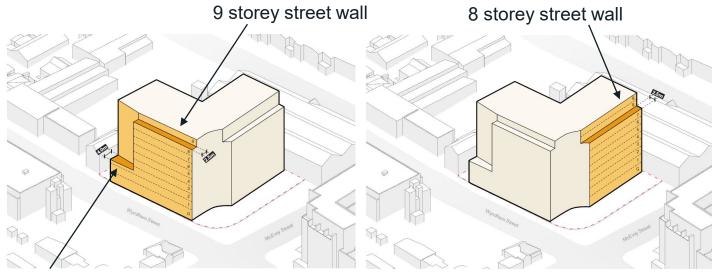




- building casts shadow in the afternoon but compliance is achieved in the morning
- additional setback to McEvoy Street reduces overshadowing

Street wall heights

- no upper-level setback control for this site. Instead DCP requires a consistent street wall
- as additional storeys are proposed an upper-level setback was requested to allow street wall height to be consistent with DCP



2 storey street wall

Building separation

northern setback - ADG requires:

 6m separation to heritage site – complies

23m separation to future
 6 storey development at
 186-202 - complies

23m separation

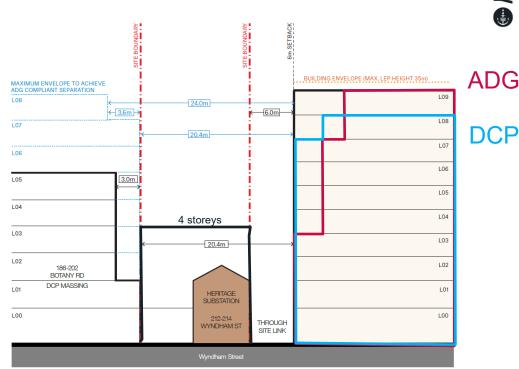
DCP massing for neighbouring sites 186-202 Botany Rd 212-214 Wyndham St 6m separation

compliance against ADG/DCP:

- 6m proposed for entire 10 storeys
- up to 4 stories complies
- levels 5+ does not comply
- separation is acceptable considering the controls for 186-202 Botany Road
- envelope is considered acceptable for the purpose of concept DA - setbacks can be refined in detailed DA if required



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Voluntary Planning Agreement

- public benefits in the VPA include:
 - dedication of 3m footpath widening on McEvoy Street
 - dedication for 6m shared zone laneway off Wyndham Street
 - monetary contribution of \$233,000 towards other community infrastructure
- the draft VPA has been prepared and will be placed on public exhibition soon for 28 days

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