

Notice of decision

Section 2.22 and clause 20 of Schedule 1 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*

Application type	State significant development
Application number and project name	SSD-47601708 Sydney Flight Training Centre
Applicant	LOGOS Development Management PTY LTD
Consent Authority	Minister for Planning

Decision

The Director, Industry Assessments, under delegation of the Minister for Planning has, under section 4.38 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 (the Act) granted consent to the development application (DA) subject to conditions.

A copy of the Department of Planning and Environment's (the Department) assessment report and development consent is available [here](#).

Date of decision

2 March 2023

Reasons for decision

The following matters were taken into consideration in making this decision:

- the relevant matters listed in section 4.15 of the Act and the additional matters listed in the statutory context
- section of the Department's assessment report;
- the prescribed matters under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021;
- the objects of the Act;
- the considerations under s 7.14(2) and 7.16(3) of the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 (NSW);
- all information submitted to the Department during the assessment of the development application;
- the findings and recommendations in the Department's assessment report; and
- the views of the community about the development (see Attachment 1).

The findings and recommendations set out in the Department's assessment report were accepted and adopted as the reasons for making this decision.

The key reasons for granting consent to the development application are as follows:

- the development would provide a range of benefits for the region and the State as a whole, including:
 - a capital investment of \$76.9 million;
 - generation of 266 construction jobs and 80 operational jobs;
- the development is permissible with development consent and is consistent with NSW Government policies including the Greater Sydney Region Plan – A Metropolis of Three Cities and the Eastern City District Plan;
- the impacts on the community and the environment can be appropriately minimised, managed or offset to an acceptable level, in accordance with applicable NSW Government policies and standards;
- the issues raised by the City of Sydney, and relevant government agencies during consultation and in submissions have been considered and adequately addressed through changes to the development and the recommended conditions of consent; and
- weighing all relevant considerations, the development is in the public interest, subject to conditions.

Attachment 1 – Consideration of Community Views

The Applicant engaged with the community during the preparation of the environmental impact statement (EIS) as a requirement of the Planning Secretary's environmental assessment requirements.

The EIS detailed the findings of the engagement and how it influenced the scope and design of the development. Once the DA and accompanying EIS was lodged with the Department, they were placed on public exhibition from 16 November 2022 to 13 December 2022 (28 days). The Department received one submission from the general public.

The public submission supported the development noting that the availability of an FTC in Sydney would be a more convenient location than the FTC in Melbourne, Victoria. No further consideration was required by the Department.