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Subject: Written Objection - SSD-8993- Concept and Stage 1 Development SCEGGS Darlinghurst

Dear Madam/Sir

I am dismayed at the Department's assessment report of the Skeggs Master Plan:

- 1. The Department has completely ignored the objections made by our local State MP in April 2019
- 2. The Department has ignored the concerns of the Owners Corporation of the Horizon, 400 people who are close neighbours of Skeggs.
- 3. The Department has not properly considered the **Capital Investment Value** of the proposed development which has conveniently been estimated at \$400 short of requiring a competitive design excellence process. An independent quantity surveyor valued the proposed development at \$62.1million. What was the department's rationale in not giving due consideration to the difference of \$12.5m between the two valuations?
- 4. The Department's consideration of **Wilkinson House** is cavalier, in not considering the heritage impacts of its demolition nor considering the merits of conversion or at least retention of the façade.
- 5. **Traffic management** is a joke today, with coaches double parking, engines idling and cars using the Horizon drive to make a U-turn in Forbes Street. Nobody from Skeggs manages the situation. Why has the department not insisted on a traffic management plan for the development? And why isn't Skeggs required to open up **St Peter's Street** a PUBLIC road- thereby allowing traffic to flow out of Forbes into Bourke?

These are all major objections which were raised a year ago and are still unanswered, giving rise to concerns about our planning processes, their efficacy and transparency.

Regards

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