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1. Executive Summary

Development Overview

The proposed development is the replacement of the facade of the Ranelagh Apartment Building, proposed carpark lift, porte cochere and accessible pathways from the carpark and car park lift.

Compliance Summary

As Certifying Authority we have reviewed the concept architectural design documents prepared by Scott Carver (refer appendix A) for compliance with the current building assessment provisions, i.e. the Building Code of Australia 2019 (BCA).

The report is intended as an overview of the relevant provisions of the BCA for assistance only. Detailed drawings and associated review will be required as the final design is developed.

Performance Solutions

The assessment of the concept design documentation has revealed that the following areas are required to be assessed against the relevant performance requirements of the BCA, as they deviate from the deemed-to-satisfy provisions of the BCA

No.	Performance Solution Description	DTS Clause	Performance Requirements
Fire Safety Items			
1	Façade Interface Junction The proposed design of the façade incorporates gaps between the edge of the floor slab/shaft wall and the glazed curtain walls.	C1.1, Spec C1.1	CP2
Miscellaneous Items			
2	Weatherproofing of External Walls The weatherproofing of external walls, a performance solution is to be provided by the façade engineer/registered architect demonstrating that the external walls comply with the requirements of Performance Requirement FP1.4.	-	FP1.4
Energy Efficiency			
3	JV3 Report required	Part J	JP1

Fire Safety Services

The following key fire safety services are required to meet the minimum DTS requirements.

1.	Sprinklers system throughout the building except for the car park
2.	Fire hydrant system throughout the apartment and carpark buildings
3.	Fire hose reels throughout the apartment and carpark buildings
4.	Air-pressurization throughout the fire isolated stairs throughout the apartment building
5.	Automatic smoke detection and alarm system throughout the apartment buildings
6.	Automatic smoke exhaust throughout the apartment buildings
7.	Sound System and Intercom System for Emergency Purposes

Refer to part 7 of this report for further details regarding the required services.

The fire engineered solution relating to insert relevant category 2 items will need to be approved after consultation with the NSW Fire Brigade as part of the Construction Certificate process.

Further Assessment

The assessment of the design documentation has also revealed that the following additional information is required in order to complete the assessment, and/or the following areas need to be further reviewed.

No.	Further Information / Review Required
1.	Provide test reports for all proposed façade materials.
2.	Provide a schedule of materials for the façade, Porte Cochere and awnings.
3.	Provide the current Annual Fire Safety Statement for the Apartment and Car Park buildings.
4.	Provide proposed balustrade detail for review.
5.	Provide building information for the apartment and carpark buildings to complete item 3 table.
6.	Provide detail of how egress is achieved from the proposed ramp of the carpark to outside.
7.	Ground floor exit doors are both required to swing in the direction of egress.
8.	Provide pool door/gate details for all doors leading to the swimming pool.
9.	Provide any applicable Fire Engineering Reports for the building for review.

Documentation to enable assessment and demonstrate compliance will be required to address the above items prior to approval.

The application for Construction Certificate shall be assessed under the relevant provisions of the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979 (As Amended) and the Environmental Planning & Assessment Regulation 2000.

2. Introduction

The proposed development comprises of the replacement of the facade of the Ranelagh Apartment Building, proposed carpark lift, porte cochere and accessible pathways from the carpark and car park lift.

The site is located at 3 Darling Point Road, Darling Point.

This report is based upon the review of the design documentation listed in Appendix A of this Report

The report is intended as an overview of the relevant provisions of the Building Code of Australia for assistance only. Detailed drawings and associated review will still be required as the final design is developed.

The applicable legislation governing the design of buildings is the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. This Act requires that all new building works must be designed to comply with the BCA.

The version of the BCA applicable to the development, is version that in place at the time of the application to the Certifying authority for the Construction Certificate. For the purposes of this Report, BCA 2019 has been utilised as the version of the BCA applicable at the time of preparation this Report.

3. Upgrade to Existing Buildings

The consent authority when assessing the development application, council in this regard, may require that the existing building be brought into partial on full compliance with the current provisions at the BCA. The trigger for upgrade includes:

- Where the building works, together with any other works completed or authorised within the previous 3 years, represents more than half the total volume of the building; or
- Council are not satisfied the measures contained in the building are not adequate for the safety of present using the building or prevention of special to adjacent buildings.

Furthermore a Certifying Authority must, when considering issuing a Construction Certificate for building works under a Development Consent that authorises a change of building use, ensure that the fire protection and structural capacity of the building will be appropriate to its new use, and the building will comply with the Category 1 fire safety provisions applicable to the new use.

In the case of building work that involves the alteration, enlargement or extension of an existing building in circumstances that involve no change of use, the Certifying Authority must not issue a Construction Certificate for the work, unless on completion of the building work, the fire protection and structural capacity of the building will not be reduced. Verification from the relevant design engineers to this affect will be required to be provided.

Further investigations, including a site inspection will be required to ascertain the extent of the upgrade works required for the existing building to ensure that a suitable level of life safety, health and amenity for the occupants within the building is maintained. The upgrade works will be based upon using the current regulations as an applicable benchmark and our expertise to judge what is considered to be suitable.

Notwithstanding the above, where practical benefits and improvements to fire and life safety can be achieved without major cost or disruption, it is recommended that the relevant compliance parameters be upgraded to meet current requirements where possible.

4. Preliminaries

4.1. Building Assessment Data

Summary of Construction Determination:

Part of Project	Apartment Building	Car park building
Classification	2	7a
Number of Storeys	31	4
Rise In Storeys	31	4
Type of Construction	A	A
Effective Height (m)	85.039m (FFL126.689 – FFL 41.650)	7.187m (FFL42.650- FFL 35.463)

Note: The effective height of the project includes all stories included in the rise in stories of the project. Plans are to be provided to demonstrate the effective height of the development.

4.2. Council Development Approval

A Development Approval will be required from the Local Authority for the development. A copy of the Development Approval conditions and approved drawings will be required prior to the issuing of the Building Approval for that component of works.

The proposed development must not be inconsistent with the endorsed drawings and all relevant conditions will need to be satisfied and accurately reflect the construction issue drawings.

4.3. Copy of Certificate of Title:

A copy of the Certificate of Title and associated plan of subdivision is required. Where it is proposed to construct any part of the building over, under or within an easement, the consent of the relevant authority and Council is required prior to the issue of the Certificate.

5. Structure

5.1. Structural Provisions (BCA B1):

Any new structural works are to comply with the applicable requirements of BCA Part B1, including AS/NZS 1170.0-2002, AS/NZS 1170-1-2002, AS/NZS 1170.2-2011 and AS 1170.4-2007.

Depending on the importance level of the building as determined by AS/NZS 1170.0-2002, the non structural elements of the building, including partitions (and non-structural fire walls), ceilings, services and racking/shelving may be required to comply with the seismic restraint requirements of AS 1170.4-2007. Where this is required, certification will be required confirming that the design of the seismic restraints comply with AS 1170.4-2002. This may be provided by a specialist seismic consultant or by the architect and services design engineers.

It is noted that BCA 2019 introduced a new Verification Method, BV2, which is a pathway available to verify compliance with BCA Performance Requirement BP1.1(a)(iii).

Glazing is to comply with AS1288-2006, and AS2047-2014.

The importance level of the building is 3.

Prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate structural certification is required to be provided by a Professional Engineer registered on the National Engineering Register.

6. Fire Protection

6.1. Fire Compartmentation (BCA C1.1)

The BCA stipulates three levels of fire resistant construction, which is based upon the rise in storeys and classification of the building. Each of these types of construction has maximum floor area and volume limitations as per BCA Table C2.2.

Based upon the rise in storeys and use of the building, it is required to be constructed in accordance with the requirements of Type A Construction, in accordance with Table 3 of Specification C1.1 of the Building Code of Australia 2019.

The building has been assessed on the basis of the following fire separation / compartmentation within the development:

- Fire compartmentation of the building at each floor level
- Bounding construction of Sole occupancy units of ***

6.2. Fire Resistance (BCA C1.1)

The building should be constructed generally in accordance with the relevant provisions of Specification C1.1 of the BCA applicable to Type A Construction, Please refer to Appendix C which outlines the required fire rating to be achieved by the development. These fire ratings are summarised below:-

Other passive fire protection issues that will need to be addressed in detailed documentation phase include:

- Lift Motor Rooms;

The above areas are to be separated from the remainder of the building by construction achieving a minimum fire resistance level of 120 minutes.

6.3. Fire Hazard Properties (BCA C1.10 and BCA C1.9)

The fire hazard properties of fixed surface linings and mechanical ductwork will also need to be addressed within the detailed documentation phase pursuant to Specification C1.10 of the Building Code of Australia. The following requirements apply:

Sprinkler Protected Areas

- a) Floor Coverings – Critical radiant Flux not less than 1.2 kW/m²
- b) Wall and Ceiling Linings – Material Group No. 1, 2, 3
- c) Other Materials – Spread of Flame Index not exceeding 9 and Smoke Developed Index not exceeding 8 if the spread of flame index is more than 5

Floor linings and floor coverings used in lift cars must have a critical radiant flux not less than 2.2, and wall and ceiling linings must be a Material Group No. 1 or 2.

External Wall Cladding

Since the building is of Type A construction, the following components are required to be completely non-combustible:

- External walls, including façade coverings, framing, insulation;
- Flooring and framing of lift pits;
- Non-loadbearing internal walls required to have an FRL;
- All non-loadbearing shafts;
- All loadbearing internal walls and loadbearing fire walls, including those that are part of loadbearing shafts.

Since the building is of Type B construction, the following components are required to be completely non-combustible:

- External walls, including façade coverings, framing, insulation;
- Flooring and framing of lift pits;
- Non-loadbearing internal walls required to have an FRL;
- All non-loadbearing shafts since the building is a Class 2 / Class 3 / Class 9a / Class 9b / Class 9c building;
- All non-loadbearing shafts connecting more than 2 storeys since the building is a Class 5 / Class 6 / Class 7a / Class 7b / Class 8 building.
- All loadbearing internal walls and loadbearing fire walls, including those that are part of loadbearing shafts.

Please provide product specifications and test reports to AS 1530.1-1994 for all materials to demonstrate compliance

For materials and assemblies that are required to be non-combustible, the material or system must be not deemed combustible when tested in accordance with AS 1530.1-1994.

Combustible Materials

The following materials, though combustible or containing combustible fibres, may be used wherever a non-combustible material is required:

- a) Plasterboard.
- b) Perforated gypsum lath with a normal paper finish.
- c) Fibrous-plaster sheet.
- d) Fibre-reinforced cement sheeting.
- e) Pre-finished metal sheeting having a combustible surface finish not exceeding 1 mm thickness and where the Spread-of-Flame Index of the product is not greater than 0.
- f) Sarking type materials that do not exceed 1mm in thickness and have a Flammability Index not greater than 5.
- g) Bonded laminated materials where -
 - (i) each laminate is non-combustible; and
 - (ii) each adhesive layer does not exceed 1 mm in thickness; and
 - (iii) the total thickness of the adhesive layers does not exceed 2 mm; and
 - (iv) the Spread-of-Flame Index and the Smoke-Developed Index of the bonded laminated material as a whole does not exceed 0 and 3 respectively.

It is recommended that once material selections are made, copies of the fire test certificates/reports be provided for review and approval.

The BCA does nominate that ancillary elements may not be fixed to an external wall that is required to be non-combustible unless they comprise of the following:

- a) An ancillary element that is non-combustible.
- b) A gutter, downpipe or other plumbing fixture or fitting.
- c) A flashing.
- d) A grate or grille not more than 2 m² in area associated with a building service.
- e) An electrical switch, socket-outlet, cover plate or the like.
- f) A light fitting.
- g) A required sign.
- h) A sign other than one provided under (a) or (g) that—
 - i) achieves a group number of 1 or 2; and
 - ii) does not extend beyond one storey; and

- iii) does not extend beyond one fire compartment; and
- iv) is separated vertically from other signs permitted under (h) by at least 2 storeys.

Please provide fire hazard properties reports for any proposed signs and confirm their extent i.e. not spanning more than one storey or fire compartment:

6.4. Separation of equipment (C2.12)

Equipment listed below must be separated from the remainder of the building providing a FRL as required by Spec C1.1 but not less than 120/120/120 with a self-closing fire door with an FRL or not less than -/120/30. When separating a lift shaft and life motor room, an FRL of not less than 12/-/- is required.

- a) Lift motors and lift control panels.
- b) Fire pump rooms
- c) Fire control rooms

7. Access and Egress

7.1. Provision for Escape (BCA D1)

The egress provisions for the proposed building are provided by the following:

- Required non-fire isolated stairways

Detailing issues that will need to be addressed as the design develops include:

- Door Hardware
- Exit Door Operation
- Stair Construction
- Handrail and Balustrade construction
- Details of the egress provisions to the Road.
- Door swings

7.2. Exit Travel Distances (BCA D1.4)

The locations of the proposed exits would appear to indicate that the deemed to satisfy requirements in terms of travel distances, distances between alternative exits and egress widths would be satisfied.

The travel distances to exits should not exceed:

Class 7a Car Park Building

- no point on the floor must be more than 20m to a single exit or point of choice and where two exits are provided, a maximum of 40m to one of those exits; and
- exits shall be located to not be more than 60m apart and not closer than 9m

Class 2 Apartment Building

- 6m from an exit or from a point of choice from the entrance doorway of a sole occupancy unit
- 20m from a single exit at the level of egress to a road or open space
- Alternate exits not more than 45m apart

Carpark Level 4

Travel distance to the nearest exit is up to 49m in lieu of 40m.

Level 1-29 Residential

Distance between alternative exits is up to 24m in lieu of 22.5m

Level 30 Residential

Travel distance to the nearest exit is up to 21m in lieu of 6m. (This will be required to be amended through design).

Level 31 Penthouse

Travel distance to the nearest exit is up to 24m in lieu of 6m. (This will be required to be amended through design).

7.3. Dimensions of Exits (BCA D1.6)

Minimum dimensions of 1000mm and 2000mm height to be provided within exits, with the paths of travel should provide a minimum width of 1000mm (note that all maintenance access, cat walks, etc may comply with AS1657-2018 in which case a 600mm clear width is required).

Doorways are permitted to contain a clear opening width of the required width of the exit minus 250mm, with a height of 1980mm as part of egress requirements. Access for persons with disabilities however requires a clear doorway opening width of 850mm (i.e. minimum 920 mm doors).

7.4. Balustrades and Handrails (BCA D2.16 / BCA D2.17 / D2.24)

Generally

Balustrading to a minimum height of 1000mm with a maximum opening of 124mm in any direction should be provided adjacent to balconies, landings, corridors etc where located adjacent to a change in level exceeding 1000mm, or where it is possible to fall through an openable window located more than 4m above the surface beneath.

Where it is possible to fall more than 4m to the surface below, the balustrade shall not contain any horizontal or near horizontal members that facilitate climbing between 150 – 760mm above the floor.

Handrails should generally be provided at a minimum height of 865mm alongside of all ramps and stairs.

The public stairs and ramps located along an accessible path of travel should be designed in accordance with the requirements of AS1428.1 for persons with disabilities. This requires a handrail on each side of the stair and ramp and for the handrail to extend approximately 550mm – 600mm past the last tread / end of ramp.

Further review will be undertaken to ensure compliance as the design develops.

Provide details for openable windows for further assessment.

7.5. Slip Resistance

The adoption of BCA 2014 introduced a requirement for slip resistance of stairway treads and ramp surfaces. The requirements are as follows:

Table D2.14 SLIP-RESISTANCE CLASSIFICATION

Application	Surface conditions	
	Dry	Wet
Ramp steeper than 1:14	P4 or R11	P5 or R12

Ramp steeper than 1:20 but not steeper than 1:14	P3 or R10	P4 or R11
Tread or landing surface	P3 or R10	P4 or R11
Nosing or landing edge strip	P3	P4

8. Services and Equipment

The following section of this report describes the essential fire safety measures and the minimum performance requirements of those measures. A draft essential fire safety schedule can be found in Appendix B.

8.1. Lift Services (BCA E3.4 and BCA E3.6)

The passenger lifts to be installed are to be:-

- Fitted with warning signs, fire service controls in accordance with Clauses E3.3, Figure E3.3, E3.7, E3.9 and E3.10 of the BCA.
- Stretcher facilities are to be provided within the lifts with minimum dimensions of 600mm wide, 2000mm long and 1400mm high;
- Be provided with the following in order to satisfy accessibility requirements:
 - A handrail in accordance with AS1735.12-1999,
 - Minimum internal floor dimensions of 1400 x 1600mm for lifts which travel more than 12m, or 1100 x 1400mm for lifts which travel not more than 12m,
 - Fitted with a series of door opening sensory devices which will detect a 75mm diameter or across the door opening between 50mm and 1550mm above floor level,
 - Have a set of buttons for operating the lift located at heights above level complying with AS1735.12 - 1999
 - For lifts serving more than 2 levels, automatic audible information within the lift car identifying the level each time the car stops, and audible and visual indication at each lift landing to indicate the arrival of a car

8.2. Exit Signs and Emergency Lighting (BCA E4.2 and BCA E4.5)

Emergency Lighting and Exit Signs indicating exit location paths of travel to exits to be provided in accordance with BCA Part E4 and AS/NZS 2293.1-2018, including the potential use of photo luminescent exit signs.

To avoid potential damage by forklifts in the warehousing areas, it is recommended the Fire Safety Engineer include an alternative solution in the FER to permit directional exit signage to be located above 2.7m. This is to be assessed to BCA Performance Requirement EP4.2.

Details are required for the hydrant booster, Fire control room to be provided for review.

9. Health and Amenity

9.1. Waterproofing (BCA FP1.4)

Performance Requirement FP1.4 which relates to the prevention of the penetration of water through external walls, must be complied with. It is noted that there are no Deemed-to-Satisfy Provisions for this Performance Requirement in respect of external walls.

As such, a performance solution is to be prepared by a suitably qualified professional that demonstrates that the external walls of the proposed building complies with Performance Requirement FP1.4 which reads as follows:

A roof and external wall (including openings around windows and doors) must prevent the penetration of water that could cause—

- a) unhealthy or dangerous conditions, or loss of amenity for occupants; and
- b) undue dampness or deterioration of building elements.

External above Ground Membranes

All external above ground areas (roof slabs, balconies etc.) shall be protected by a waterproofing system in accordance with AS4654 Parts 1 and 2 – 2012.

For external balconies the waterproofing membrane must have a vertical upward termination height in accordance with the table below dependant on the wind class of the site. The wind class is determined by the structural engineer.

Wind Class Regions A & B	Wind Class Regions C & D	Ultimate Limit State Wind Speed	Termination Height (mm)
N1	-	34	40
N2	-	40	50
N3	C1	50	70
N4	C2	61	100
N5	C3	74	150
N6	C4	86	180

10. Energy Efficiency

The deemed-to-satisfy provisions of the BCA only apply to thermal insulation in a class 2 building where development consent or a Complying Development certificate specifies that the insulation is to be provided as part of the development.

The residential (Class 2) portions of the building are subject to BASIX, and a BASIX Certificate will be required prior to the issuance of the Construction Certificate for the works.

10.1. SECTION J (JP1 Energy Use)

Efficient energy use must be achieved appropriate to the function and use of the building, level of human comfort, solar radiation, energy source of the services and sealing of the building envelope. To achieve this JV1, JV2, JV3 and JV4 verification methods have been introduced as options available to achieve compliance.

It is noted that a deemed to satisfy pathway is still available.

Access for maintenance is to be provided to the building in accordance with the requirements of BCA Part J8.

The proposed site will be located in a climate zone 5.

Certification from an appropriately qualified engineer should be provided for either option with a report / computations outlining how compliance is achieved.

Verification Methods

The Verification Methods available to demonstrate compliance with the BCA on a performance basis are as follows:

JV2 Green Star

- To achieve compliance with JP1 for Class 3,4,5,6, 7, 8, 9 and common area of Class 2 buildings Green Star can be used as a verification method when the calculation method complies with ANSI/ASHRAE Standard, Specification JVb and when:
 - The building complies with simulation requirements and is registers for a Green Star – Design & As-Built rating; and
 - The annual greenhouse gas emissions of the proposed building are less than 90% of the annual greenhouse gas emissions of the reference building; and
 - In the proposed building, a thermal comfort level of between predicted mean vote of -1 to +1 is achieve across not less than 95% of the floor area of all occupied zones for not less than 98% of the annual hours of operation of the building; and
 - The building complies with the additional requirements of Specification JVa.

JV3 Verification Using a Reference Building

- To achieve compliance with JP1 for Class 3,4,5,6, 7, 8, 9 and common area of Class 2 buildings verification using a reference building can be used when the calculation method complies with ANSI/ASHRAE Standard, Specification JVb and when:
 - It is determined that the annual greenhouse gas emissions of the proposed building are not more than the annual greenhouse gas emissions of a reference building when the proposed building is modeled with the proposed services and the proposed building is modelled with the same services as the reference building. The proposed building thermal comfort level is to be between predicted mean vote of -1 to +1 across not less than 95% of the floor area of all occupied zones for not less than 98% of the annual hours of operation; and
 - The building achieves the additional requirements in Specification JVa; and
 - The greenhouse gas emissions of the proposed building may be offset by renewable energy generated and use on site and another process such as reclaimed energy used on site.

JV4 Building Envelope Sealing

- Compliance with sealing of the building against air leakage is verified when the envelope is sealed at an air permeability rate tested in accordance with Method 1 of AS/NZS ISO 9972, of not more than –
 - For a class 2 building or a class 4 part of a building, 10m³hr.m² at 50 Pa reference pressure; or
 - For a class 5, 6, 8, 9a or 9b building other than a ward area in climate zones 1, 7 and 8, 5 m³/hr.m² at 50 Pa reference pressure; or
 - For class 3 or 9c building, or a class 9a ward area in climate zones 1, 3, 4, 6, 7 and 8 5m³/hr.m² at 50 Pa reference pressure.
- Part J3 and performance solution that uses on of the other NCC assessment Methods which verifies that compliance with JP1 (e) will be achieve can also be used as verification methods.

11. Access for People with Disabilities

The development is required to comply with the accessibility provisions contained within:

- The Building Code of Australia 2019;
- Disability (Access to Premises – Buildings) Standards 2010;
- AS1428.1-2009 General Requirements for Access – New Building Work;
- AS1428.4.1 -2009 Tactile Ground Surface Indicators
- AS2890.6-2009 Car Parking for People with Disabilities

Note: With the introduction of the Commonwealth *Disability Discrimination Act (DDA)* in 1992 (enacted in 1993), all organisations have a responsibility to provide equitable and dignified access to goods, services and premises used by occupants. Organisations and individuals since its introduction, are required to work to the objects of the Act which are to eliminate, as far as possible, discrimination against persons on the ground of disability in the **areas of work, accommodation, education, access to premises, clubs and sports, and the provision of goods, facilities, services and land, existing laws and the administration of Commonwealth laws and programs.**

This report assesses against the requirements contained with the Building Code of Australia (and documents referred to therein) and is not considered to be a full assessment against the Disability Discrimination Act.

11.1. General Building Access Requirements (BCA D3.1)

Access for people with disabilities shall be provided to and within the building in accordance with the requirements of Clause D3.2, D3.3 and D3.4 of the BCA 2019 and AS 1428.1. Parts of the building required to be accessible shall comply with the requirements of:-

- AS1428.1-2009 General Requirements for Access – New Building Work;
- AS1428.4.1 -2009 Tactile Ground Surface Indicators
- AS2890.6-2009 Car Parking for People with Disabilities

Access for persons with a disability is to be provided as follows:

Apartment (Class 2 Buildings)

- From the pedestrian entrance to at least 1 floor containing Sole Occupancy Units and to the entrance door of all Sole Occupancy Units on that floor, and to at least one type of each common facility, such as gyms, shops, laundries (shared), gaming rooms etc.
- Where an AS1428.1 compliant lift or ramp is provided in addition to the above and access is required to and within all spaces, and to the entrance of doors to single occupancy units on the levels, served by the lift or ramp.

Car parks (Class 7a buildings)

To and within any level containing accessible car parking spaces.

11.2. Provision for Access to Buildings

The BCA prescribes access to be provided to and within the building as follows:

- Via the principle pedestrian entry and at least 50% of all other entrances from the allotment boundary
- From designated car parking spaces for the use of occupants with a disability.
- From another accessible building connected by a pedestrian link.
- All areas used by the occupants.

In buildings over 500m² in floor area, a non-accessible entrance must not be located more than 50m from an accessible entrance.

Where a pedestrian entry contains multiple doors, the following is required;

- Entrance containing not more than 3 doors, at least one of the doorways must be accessible.
- Where an entrance contains more than 3 doors, not less than 50% of the doorways must be accessible.

A door is considered to be accessible if it is automatic (open and closing) or is more than 850mm in clear opening width and contains the required door circulation space.

11.3. Accessibility within Building (BCA D3.3)

A building required to be accessible is required to be equipped with either a AS 1428.1 compliant lift or AS 1428.1 compliant ramp, (but the maximum vertical rise of a ramp must not exceed 3.6m).

An exemption to not provide either a lift or ramp exists for class 5, 6, 7b, or 8 buildings, where a building contains;

- a) Less than 3 storeys; and
- b) Floor area of each storey (excluding the entrance level) is not more than 200m².

Within the building the following are required;

- Door circulation space as per AS1428.1 Clause 13.3
- Doorways must have a clear opening of 850mm;
- Passing spaces (1.8m wide passages) must be provided at maximum of 20m intervals
- Within 2.0m of end access ways/corridors, turning areas spaces are required to be provided.
- Carpet pile height of not more than 11mm to an adjacent surface and backing <4mm
- Any glazing capable of being mistaken for a doorway or opening must be clearly marked (or contain chair rail, hand rail or transom as per AS 1288 requirements)

The design would generally comply with the prescriptive provisions of the BCA with additional ongoing review being undertaken as to door widths, circulation, etc. Further details are to be provided or access to these areas is to be assessed by an access consultant.

11.4. Car Parking (BCA D3.5)

A 'shared zone' of minimum 5400mm x 2400mm is required adjacent to accessible car parking spaces, protected with a bollard.

11.5. Tactile Indicators (BCA D3.8)

Tactile indicators are required to be provided to warn occupants of all stairs (except Fire Isolated stairs) and ramps regardless of public nature or private environment and where an overhead obstruction occurs less than 2.0m above the finished floor level.

11.6. Stairs (BCA D3.3 inter Alia AS1428.1)

Stairs shall be constructed as follows:

- a) Where the intersection is at the property boundary, the stair shall be set back by a minimum of 900mm so that the handrail and TGSIs do not protrude into the transverse path of travel.
- b) Where the intersection is at an internal corridor, the stair shall be set back one tread width plus 300mm (nominally 700mm as per AS 1428.1-2009 Fig 26(b)), so the handrails do not protrude into transverse path of travel.
- c) Stairs shall have opaque risers.
- d) Stair nosing shall not project beyond the face of the riser and the riser may be vertical or have a splay backwards up to a maximum 25mm.
- e) Stair nosing profiles shall;
 - Have a sharp intersection;

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- Be rounded up to 5mm radius; or
 - Be chamfered up to 5mm x 5mm
- f) All stairs, including fire isolated stairs shall, at the nosing of each tread have a strip not less than 50mm and not more than 75mm deep across the full width of the path of travel. The strip may be set back a maximum of 15mm from the front of the nosing. The strip shall have a minimum luminance contrast of 30% to the background. Where the luminous contrasting strip is affixed to the surface of the tread, any change in level shall not exceed a difference of 5mm.

11.7. Lifts (BCA E3.6)

Lifts compliant to BCA E3.6 and BCA E3.7 must be provided, where required to be provided, with a minimum size of 1400 x 1600mm or 1100mm x 1400mm (whichever is appropriate) in size – with appropriate handrails and auditory commands.

12. Appendix A - Reference Documentation

The following documentation was used in the assessment and preparation of this report:

Drawing No.	Title	Issue	Date
AD-DA000	COVER PAGE	1	12.02.21
AD-DA100	SITE PLAN - BASEMENT LEVEL	1	12.02.21
AD-DA101	SITE PLAN - GROUND FLOOR	1	12.02.21
AD-DA102	SITE PLAN - ROOF	1	12.02.21
AD-DA110	EXISTING & PROPOSED - BASEMENT LEVEL	1	12.02.21
AD-DA111	EXISTING & PROPOSED - GROUND FLOOR PLAN	1	12.02.21
AD-DA112	EXISTING & PROPOSED - FLOOR PLAN LEVEL 1	1	12.02.21
AD-DA113	EXISTING & PROPOSED - FLOOR PLAN LEVEL 2-11	1	12.02.21
AD-DA114	EXISTING & PROPOSED - FLOOR PLAN LEVEL 12-29	1	12.02.21
AD-DA115	EXISTING & PROPOSED - FLOOR PLAN LEVEL 30	1	12.02.21
AD-DA116	EXISTING & PROPOSED - FLOOR PLAN LEVEL 31	1	12.02.21
AD-DA117	EXISTING & PROPOSED - ROOF PLAN	1	12.02.21
AD-DA120	EXISTING & PROPOSED - CARPARK LEVEL 1-2	1	12.02.21
AD-DA121	EXISTING & PROPOSED - CARPARK LEVEL 3-4	1	12.02.21
AD-DA122	EXISTING & PROPOSED - CARPARK ROOF	1	12.02.21
AD-DA210	PROPOSED NORTH EAST ELEVATION	1	12.02.21
AD-DA211	PROPOSED NORTH WEST ELEVATION	1	12.02.21
AD-DA212	PROPOSED SOUTH EAST ELEVATION	1	12.02.21
AD-DA213	PROPOSED SOUTH WEST ELEVATION	1	12.02.21
AD-DA214	PROPOSED PENTHOUSE ELEVATIONS - SHEET 1	1	12.02.21
AD-DA215	PROPOSED PENTHOUSE ELEVATIONS - SHEET 2	1	12.02.21
AD-DA221	SECTIONS - SHEET 1	1	12.02.21
AD-DA222	SECTIONS - SHEET 2	1	12.02.21
AD-DA223	PROPOSED PENTHOUSE SECTIONS - SHEET 1	1	12.02.21

13. Appendix B - Fire Resistance Levels

The table below represents the Fire resistance levels required in accordance with BCA 2019:

Table 3 TYPE A CONSTRUCTION: FRL OF BUILDING ELEMENTS	Class of building — FRL: (in minutes)			
	<i>Structural adequacy/Integrity/Insulation</i>			
	2, 3 or 4 part	5, 7a or 9	6	7b or 8
EXTERNAL WALL (including any column and other building element incorporated within it) or other external building element, where the distance from any fire-source feature to which it is exposed is -				
<i>For loadbearing parts-</i>				
less than 1.5 m	90/ 90/ 90	120/120/120	180/180/180	240/240/240
1.5 to less than 3 m	90/ 60/ 60	120/ 90/ 90	180/180/120	240/240/180
3 m or more	90/ 60/ 30	120/ 60/ 30	180/120/ 90	240/180/ 90
<i>For non-loadbearing parts -</i>				
less than 1.5 m	-/ 90/ 90	-/120/120	-/180/180	-/240/240
1.5 to less than 3 m	-/ 60/ 60	-/ 90/ 90	-/180/120	-/240/180
3 m or more	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-
EXTERNAL COLUMN not incorporated in an <i>external wall</i> , where the distance from any <i>fire-source feature</i> to which it is exposed is -				
less than 3 m	90/-/-	120/-/-	180/-/-	240/-/-
3 m or more	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-
COMMON WALLS and FIRE WALLS	90/ 90/ 90	120/120/120	180/180/180	240/240/240
INTERNAL WALLS				
<i>Fire-resisting lift and stair shafts</i>				
<i>Loadbearing</i>	90/ 90/ 90	120/120/120	180/120/120	240/120/120
<i>Non-loadbearing</i>	-/ 90/ 90	-/120/120	-/120/120	-/120/120
<i>Bounding public corridors, public lobbies and the like</i>				
<i>Loadbearing</i>	90/ 90/ 90	120/-/-	180/-/-	240/-/-
<i>Non-loadbearing</i>	-/ 60/ 60	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-
<i>Between or bounding sole-occupancy units</i>				
<i>Loadbearing</i>	90/ 90/ 90	120/-/-	180/-/-	240/-/-
<i>Non-loadbearing</i>	-/ 60/ 60	-/-/-	-/-/-	-/-/-
<i>Ventilating, pipe, garbage, and like shafts not used for the discharge of hot products of combustion</i>				
<i>Loadbearing</i>	90/ 90/ 90	120/ 90/ 90	180/120/120	240/120/120
<i>Non-loadbearing</i>	-/ 90/ 90	-/ 90/ 90	-/120/120	-/120/120
OTHER LOADBEARING INTERNAL WALLS, INTERNAL BEAMS, TRUSSES and COLUMNS				
	90/-/-	120/-/-	180/-/-	240/-/-
FLOORS	90/ 90/ 90	120/120/120	180/180/180	240/240/240
ROOFS	90/ 60/ 30	120/ 60/ 30	180/ 60/ 30	240/ 90/ 60