



Australian Government
National Capital Authority

Consultation Report
Works Approval 19918
Block 3 Section 13 Forrest – 31
National Circuit

Extension to the existing National Jewish Memorial Centre (NJMC) and associated landscaping

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1. Introduction

Under the *Australian Capital Territory (Planning and Land Management) Act 1988*, the National Capital Authority (NCA) prepares and administers the National Capital Plan (the Plan) to ensure Canberra and the Territory are planned and developed in accordance with their national significance.

The Plan sets out the broad planning framework for the Australian Capital Territory (ACT). Areas designated as having special characteristics of the National Capital are subject to detailed planning policies and guidelines.

Any buildings or structures, demolition, landscaping or excavation works in Designated Areas require the approval of the NCA. The NCA considers such proposals in the context of the relevant provisions of the Plan.

On 30 April 2015, the National Capital Authority (NCA) received a Works Approval application from Philip Leeson Architects for an extension to the existing National Jewish Memorial Centre and associated landscaping located on Block 3 Section 13, Forrest (31 National Circuit).

The following report details the public consultation process undertaken by the NCA relating to this application.

2. Public consultation requirements

2.1. National Capital Plan

Under the Plan, the requirements for public consultation apply, but are not limited to, certain residential developments, telecommunications facilities (that are not considered low impact) and amending or issuing an instrument under the Plan (including Development Control Plans).

2.2. Commitment to community engagement

The NCA's 'Commitment to Community Engagement' details how the NCA conducts consultation. The purpose is to achieve a greater level of consistency and transparency in the NCA's decision making process.

- The Commitment to Community Engagement describes:
- the minimum requirements for consultation
- the timeframes for amendments to the Plan
- what is involved in preparing a new Development Control Plan
- the process for amending or issuing an instrument under the Plan
- the process by which WA applications, which are released for public consultation, will be assessed.

Part 2 - Consultation of the NCA's 'Commitment to Community Engagement' describes the consultation process for WA applications. The NCA will make an assessment of whether a proposal is consistent with the National Capital Plan and if it requires public consultation. An assessment is made in relation to adverse impacts on:

- public space and community amenity
- environment, heritage or landscape values
- amenity of the locality in terms of materials, finishes, scale, massing, design and quality
- consistency with an existing Heritage Management Plan.

When an application for works is lodged and consultation is required, consultation with the community and stakeholders will be undertaken by the applicant, the NCA or both. Where

consultation is undertaken by the applicant, the NCA may choose to stipulate specific requirements that the applicant is required to implement.

The NCA may set aside the requirement to undertake full public consultation where:

- previous consultation has been undertaken on the proposal
- minor amendments to previously approved works are required
- proposals are given exemption, as outlined in Part 2.3 of the 'Commitment to Community Engagement'
- the NCA determines no stakeholders will be affected.

3. Summary of public consultation

3.1. The public consultation process

Public consultation was undertaken between 16 May and 5 June 2015 and took the form of:

- Placing a public notice in the Canberra Times on 16 May 2015 detailing the proposed works
- Between 16 May and 5 June 2015 publishing details of the proposal, including the applicant's plans and planning report on the NCA's website
- Between 16 May and 5 June 2015 placing two A1 size signs on site (one fronting National Circuit and one fronting Canberra Avenue)

The NCA wrote to the following stakeholders advising of the consultation process and inviting comments:

- Church of St Andrew
- Forrest Early Childhood Centre
- Serbian Orthodox New Gracanica Metropolia
- The property owner of 1 Canberra Avenue/ 29 National Circuit and 82 Franklin Street, Forrest
- Forrest Primary School
- Forrest Hotel and Apartments

3.2. Submissions Received, Comments and Response

The NCA received no submissions in relation to the application.

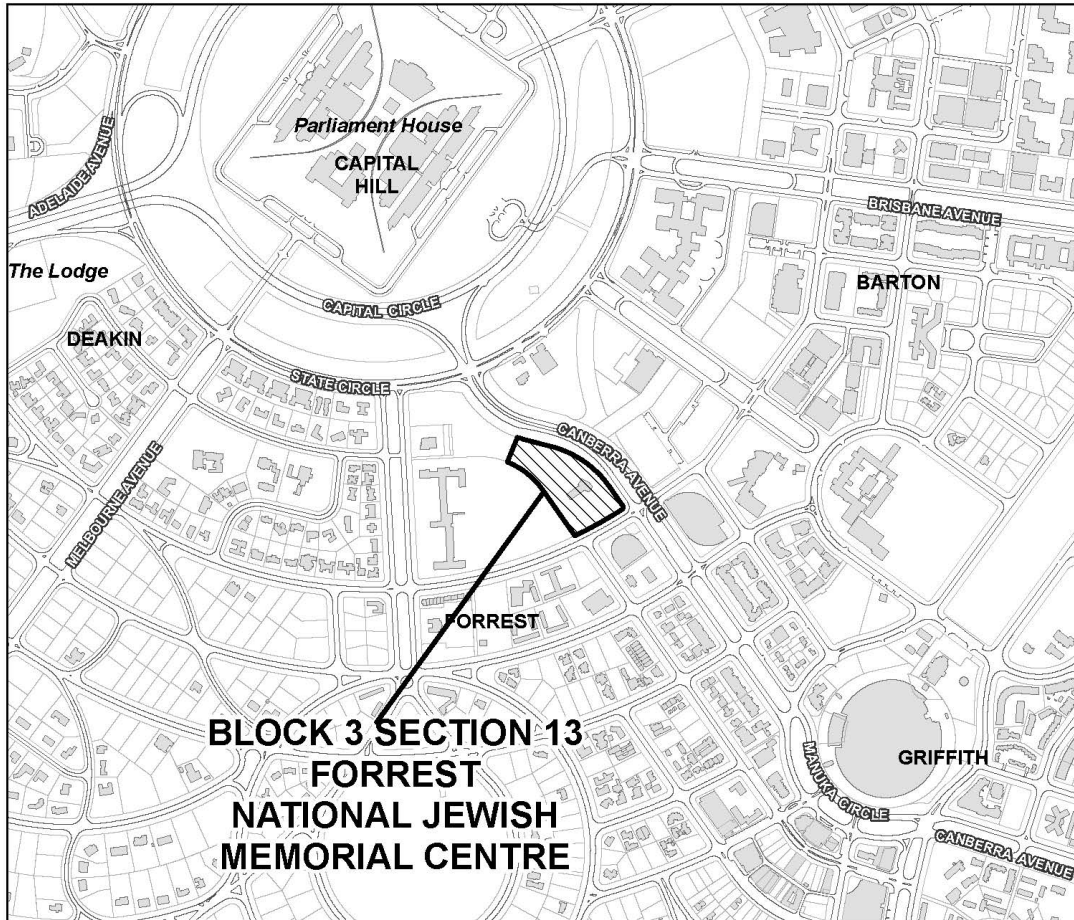
4. Conclusion

The NCA's consultation process was carried out in accordance with the Plan and the NCA's 'Commitment to Community Engagement'.

The NCA received no submissions in relation to the application.

The NCA is satisfied that the proposal is consistent with the provisions of the National Capital Plan and is prepared to grant works approval.

Attachment A – Location plan



Attachment B – Public Notice on site



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WORKS APPROVAL

Block 3 Section 13 Forrest 31 National Circuit Forrest

THE NATIONAL CAPITAL AUTHORITY (NCA) HAS RECEIVED A WORKS APPROVAL APPLICATION FOR AN EXTENSION TO THE EXISTING NATIONAL JEWISH MEMORIAL CENTRE AND ASSOCIATED LANDSCAPING.

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

PLANS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE NCA'S WEBSITE AT WWW.NATIONALCAPITAL.GOV.AU.

Comments can be made on the NCA's website or sent in hardcopy to NCA, GPO Box 373, Canberra 2601 ACT by close of business on 5 June 2015.

You may also comment on this submission by emailing worksapproval@natcap.gov.au or on Twitter using [@nca_media](https://twitter.com/nca_media)

DISCLAIMER: All submissions, including names and addresses will be made publicly available at the NCA office and on the website, subject to approval in writing by the submitter, in accordance with the NCA's Commitment to Community Engagement.



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