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WYNYARD PROJECT TO BE ASSESSED BY PLANNING DEPARTMENT

The Department of Planning will assess a \$425 million proposal for new office buildings and associated upgrade works at Wynyard station.

Minister for Planning, Tony Kelly, said he has declared the concept plan proposal by Thakral Holdings to be a major project and assessed under Part 3A of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act.

“The proposal meets the statutory criteria to be assessed under Part 3A because it’s a commercial development associated with railway infrastructure worth more than \$30 million,” the Minister said.

“As such, this proposal is coming to the Department of Planning for assessment, rather than the Central Sydney Planning Committee (CSPC).

“The CSPC deals with general residential, commercial and retail projects worth more than \$50 million in the City of Sydney.

“However, the Major Development State environmental planning policy clearly outlines a role for the Department to assess transport-related projects of this type in the City of Sydney and other parts of NSW.

“It also has the potential to generate employment in the CBD.

“In saying this, the proposal will be subject to a rigorous assessment including a 30-day public exhibition period.”

Overall the proposed redevelopment of the site involves:

- Demolition of the existing buildings on the development site (except Shell House and Wynyard Station Platforms);
- Major works to Wynyard Station;
- A new 29-storey office building consisting of an 11-storey podium and 18-storey tower on land between Carrington and George Streets;
- Conservation works to former Shell House and its internal refurbishment for use as office premises;
- Five levels of retail linking George and Carrington Streets to the station concourse; and
- The upgrade of the public domain surrounding the site and associated public domain improvements including upgraded station entry to Wynyard Park.