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PUBLIC GETS ANOTHER SAY ON MARRICKVILLE METRO EXPANSION

Marrickville residents will get another opportunity to have their say on the proposed Marrickville Metro shopping centre expansion following a NSW Government decision to exhibit an amended proposal.

Minister for Planning, Tony Kelly, said the original development proposal was previously exhibited between July and September last year, but has since undergone significant amendments on the basis of public feedback.

“It is this amended proposal, known as a Preferred Project Report (PPR), which is now being put out for further public comment,” the Minister said.

Member for Marrickville, Carmel Tebbutt, welcomed the announcement.

“This is an important local matter and a second round of consultation will allow the community to look closely at modifications to the original proposal and outstanding issues that need to be addressed,” Ms Tebbutt said.

“I encourage local residents to view the proposal in person or get online to provide their feedback.”

The PPR will be on exhibition **from today (February 16) until Friday 18 March** at the following locations:

- **NSW Department of Planning:** Information Centre – 23-33 Bridge Street, Sydney.
- **Marrickville Council**
 - Citizens’ Service Centre – 2-14 Fisher Street, Petersham; and
 - Marrickville Library – Corner Marrickville and Petersham Roads, Marrickville.
- **Online** – by visiting <http://majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au> then “On Exhibition”.

Key changes made to the proposal since the previous exhibition include:

- **A 22% reduction (7,230 square metres) in additional retail floor space sought;**
- **A 187-car reduction in the number of additional car parking spaces from 715 to 528;**
- **Removal of the Smidmore Road portion of the site;**
- **Deletion of all connecting structures to the new building in Edinburgh Road at and above ground level;**
- **Deletion of the spiral ramp on the corner of Victoria Road and Murray Street and retention of the car park access ramp on Murray Street;**
- **Relocation of loading dock access further south along Murray Street;**
- **Increased bus stop capacity, taxi parking and space for a community shuttle bus;**
- **Design changes along Smidmore Street to improve pedestrian conditions;**
- **Façade changes along Murray Street; and**
- **Retention of all Lemon Scented Eucalypts in Smidmore Street and Figs in Murray Street.**

Mr Kelly said in light of the changes made to the proposal and the significant level of interest shown by the local community, it is appropriate the public gets a chance to make further submissions.



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“The original proposal attracted more than 500 public submissions,” the Minister said.

“As part of the Government’s major projects assessment system, the proponent AMP Capital Investors was required to respond to all the issues raised in these submissions.

“The revisions that have been made to the plans are a direct result of this public input – a clear example of one of the major strengths of the Government’s assessment process.”
