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Council Reference: DA2023/1757 (CNR-64457)

Mr. Scott Phillips
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Attention: Melissa Domjen

**REDEVELOPMENT OF FORESTWAY SHOPPING CENTRE
22 FOREST WAY, FRENCHS FOREST**

Dear Mr Phillips,

Reference is made to Council's correspondence, concerning the abovementioned development application which was referred to Transport for NSW (**TfNSW**) for concurrence under section 138 of the *Roads Act 1993* and clause 2.119 and 2.122 of the State Environmental Planning Policy (Transport and Infrastructure) 2021.

TfNSW has reviewed the development application and cannot provide concurrence to the proposed development and civil works on Forest Way for the following reasons:

1. The modelling results indicate that queuing as a result of the proposed development is expected to impact the intersection of Warringah Road / Forest Way and the intersection of Forest Way / Naree Road.
2. The lane widths proposed on Forest Way are considered too narrow adjacent to the proposed development where the road deflects around the proposed right turn bay into the site. This is likely to result in a higher crash risk to vehicles using this northbound section of Forest Way.
3. The traffic report states in Section 5.3 "*Construction of a concrete median in Russell Avenue to restrict the Russell Avenue driveway to left-in / left-out movements only*". Despite the proposed change to Russell Avenue and the additional signalised intersection to service the proposed development, the intersection of Forest Way / Russell Avenue is expected to be operating over capacity post development, which is expected to lead to an increased risk of crashes at this intersection.
4. Based on the scale of the proposed development and the traffic modelling results, it is recommended that a revised vehicular access strategy be considered.

TfNSW also offers the following comment for Council's consideration:

1. The modelling results show a queue of up to 48m inside the site during the weekday PM peak hour. A queue longer than approximately 20m inside the site is expected to impact vehicle circulation within the car park.

We request that the latest Sidra modelling files are provided for review, and we are happy to meet to discuss our comments in more detail. Should you have any questions, please contact Matthew Houlden via email at development.sydney@transport.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely,



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