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LANDSCAPE DESIGN STATEMENT

50 Lawrence Street, Freshwater

The landscape design and tree replenishment proposal for the site located at **50 Lawrence Street, Freshwater** has been amended to address issues raised during council assessment.

The revised plan set has been issued as follows:

LPDA 20-190 (Page 1) – Title Page
LPDA 20-190 (Page 2) – Landscape Plan (Issue C)
LPDA 20-190 (Page 3) – Detail (Issue A)
LPDA 20-190 (Page 4) – Specifications (Issue A)

The amendments made in this set of drawings address specific comments and recommendations raised by council in their Preliminary Assessment, including:

In response to council's comments on deep soil plant zone on the southern portion that has limited solar access, we have proposed a mix of layers of plant species that will grow well in this location considering the zone will receive both morning and afternoon sun for much of the year except for a limited time in winter. There should be no issue with the potential for these plants to achieve a mature vegetation buffer. The proposed planting consists of canopy trees that can provide protection to the shade tolerant or shade preference understorey planting including medium tree species such as *Waterhousia floribunda* 'Sweeper' (dwarf cultivar); *Backhousia myrtifolia* and *Hymenospermum flavium* that are capable of reaching a mature height similar to the existing vegetations within the neighbour's garden along boundary fence. The understorey planting selection includes shade tolerant shrubs, ferns and groundcovers. The proposed Rough Tree Fern (*Cyathea Australia*) and Bangalow Palm (*Archontophoenix cunninghamiana*) will allow for solar penetration and further enrich the local planting characteristics. The proposed landscaping and their mature height will not likely to comprise solar access to vegetation on neighbouring property (NO. 30 Dowling Street).



Green wall elements (climbing vine on tension wires) have been proposed on the eastern and western elevation.

Vegetation screens in planters are proposed within newly introduction of planter on level 3 to improve façade amenities.

In summary, the amended proposal outlined in the drawings listed above proposes the following:

- Species selected for deep soil zone that are sustainable under the amount of solar access receive in both morning & afternoon (east & west) sun light.
- The neighbours mature landscaping (No. 30 Dowling Street) is unlikely to be compromised by the proposed vegetation within the deep soil zone.
- Green wall elements have been proposed on the eastern & western side of building to soften the façade.
- Additional planting proposed within the planters on podium level.
- The proposed landscape scheme provides greater landscaping, in the form of planter boxes, deep soil planting & green wall (climbers) .

To conclude, the proposed additional vegetation will provide a landscaped buffer to the adjoining property to the south and also contribute to the existing neighbouring landscape character.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert Frew".

Robert Frew

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