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Abbie Galvin Government Architect NSW c/o Department of Planning and Environment Locked Bag 5022 Parramatta NSW 2124

RE: Five years of the State Design Review Panel

Dear Abbie,

I am writing on behalf of the NSW Chapter of the Australian Institute of Architects to extend our heartfelt congratulations on the occasion of the 5th anniversary of the State Design Review Panel. This significant milestone not only marks a commendable journey of promoting design excellence but also underscores the enduring commitment of the Office of the Government Architect NSW to fostering a built environment of exceptional quality.

The establishment of the State Design Review Panel has undoubtedly contributed to elevating the standards of architectural and urban design across New South Wales. The invaluable role played by the panel in providing independent design review and advice has greatly influenced the development of our built environment. This dedication to excellence aligns seamlessly with the core values upheld by the Australian Institute of Architects, and we commend your office for consistently championing design quality.

Independent design review processes are crucial in ensuring that our communities thrive through thoughtful and innovative design solutions. The State Design Review Panel has proven to be a vital mechanism in enhancing the quality of projects and promoting a built environment that is not only aesthetically pleasing but also functional and sustainable. Your leadership in this endeavour has undoubtedly enriched the design discourse of NSW.



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As advocates for the advancement of architecture and design in Australia, we appreciate the commitment of the Government Architect's office to fostering a culture of design excellence. The collaboration between the State Design Review Panel and project architect teams has facilitated a more informed, transparent, and collaborative approach to the design process, benefiting both the profession and the community at large.

Once again, congratulations on reaching this significant milestone. We're thankful that the State Design Review Panel has become an integral part of the built environment landscape.

Best Regards,

Adam Haddow

NSW Chapter President