

# Parramatta Local Environmental Plan 2011

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[Part 6 Clause 6.12](#)

## 6.12 Design excellence

- (1) The objective of this clause is to ensure that development exhibits design excellence that contributes to the natural, cultural, visual and built character values of Parramatta.
- (2) This clause applies to development involving the erection of a new building or external alterations to an existing building on land identified as “Parramatta North Urban Renewal Area” on the [Key Sites Map](#).
- (3) Development consent must not be granted for development to which this clause applies unless the consent authority considers that the development exhibits design excellence.
- (4) In considering whether the development exhibits design excellence, the consent authority must have regard to the following matters:
  - (a) whether a high standard of architectural design, materials and detailing appropriate to the building type and location will be achieved,
  - (b) whether the form and external appearance of the development will improve the quality and amenity of the public domain,
  - (c) whether the development detrimentally impacts on view corridors,
  - (d) whether the development detrimentally impacts on any land protected by solar access controls established in the *Parramatta Development Control Plan*,
  - (e) the requirements of the *Parramatta Development Control Plan*,
  - (f) how the development addresses the following matters:
    - (i) the suitability of the land for development,
    - (ii) existing and proposed uses and use mix,
    - (iii) heritage issues and streetscape constraints,
    - (iv) the relationship of the development with other development (existing or proposed) on the same site or on neighbouring sites in terms of separation, setbacks, amenity and urban form,

- (v) bulk, massing and modulation of buildings,
  - (vi) street frontage heights,
  - (vii) environmental impacts such as sustainable design, overshadowing, wind and reflectivity,
  - (viii) the achievement of the principles of ecologically sustainable development,
  - (ix) pedestrian, cycle, vehicular and service access, circulation and requirements,
  - (x) the impact on, and any proposed improvements to, the public domain.
- (5) Development consent must not be granted to the following development to which this Plan applies unless an architectural design competition that is consistent with the Design Excellence Guidelines has been held in relation to the proposed development:
- (a) development in respect of a building that is, or will be, higher than 55 metres above ground level (existing),
  - (b) development having a capital value of more than \$100,000,000,
  - (c) development for which the applicant has chosen to have such a competition.
- (6) Subclause (5) does not apply if the Council certifies in writing that the development is one for which an architectural design competition is not required.
- (7) In deciding whether to grant development consent to the development application, the consent authority is to take into account the results of the architectural design competition.

(8) In this clause:

***architectural design competition*** means a competitive process conducted in accordance with the Design Excellence Guidelines.

***Design Excellence Guidelines*** means the Design Excellence Guidelines issued by the Secretary, as amended from time to time.

***Parramatta Development Control Plan*** means the *Parramatta Development Control Plan*, as in force at the commencement of *State Environmental Planning Policy Amendment (Parramatta North) 2015*.