

Good afternoon,

To whom it may concern, I am contacting you today on behalf of Lote Consulting regarding the Draft Design and Building Practitioners Regulation to provide feedback. We have reviewed the public materials and are supportive of the goals of this initiative – it is absolutely vital for all parties involved with planning and construction that the industry is well-regulated and upholding of high standards. Given the nature of Lote Consulting's organisational focus, we also appreciate the attention given to concerns regarding Fire Engineering.

However, we wished to address what we believe is an oversight in the initiative and request its inclusion – Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) and Security considerations. While Councils are increasingly appreciating the importance of CPTED and Security in the development process, currently enshrined requirements are often disregarded due in large part to a lack of awareness in the industry, as well as a lack of enforcement of these requirements by local Councils who are often not empowered to do so. Additionally, even those parties who choose to do the right thing and engage with a CPTED and/or Security consultant will often receive reports from unlicensed organisations.

Therefore, we propose that the inclusion of CPTED and Security in this initiative be considered as a vital component of the development process. Ensuring licensed practitioners are engaged to provide reliable security outcomes for developments safeguards the future of the spaces we live in, and should not be overlooked as a necessity for the industry moving forward.

Kind Regards,

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