

CHILDCARE CENTRE No. 2 Bass Road, Bull Creek, WA



SUSTAINABLE DESIGN ASSESSMENT REPORT

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1 INTRODUCTION

CADDS Energy has undertaken a Sustainable Design Review on the proposed Childcare Centre at No. 2 Bass Road, Bull Creek. The purpose of this sustainable design assessment report (SDAR) is to support the Development Application by identifying the initiatives incorporated in the design to demonstrate a best practice approach to sustainable design.

The SDAR report will address Sustainable Categories including:

- Indoor Environmental Quality (IEQ)
- Energy Efficiency
- Water Efficiency
- Stormwater Management
- Building Materials
- Transport
- Waste Management
- Urban Ecology
- Innovation
- Construction and Building Management

For each category the SDAR will demonstrate how each of the 10 key Sustainable Design Categories have been addressed and identify relevant sustainability targets and performance standards.



2 SITE ANALYSIS

CADDS has undertaken a review of the current site, building layout and included a number of sustainable strategies for inclusion within the project.

Table 1 Sustainable Initiatives

Initiative	Target	SDAR Category	
Comfort (thermal, visual)	High Level of natural daylight into primary areas Solar passive design to reduce gains	Indoor Environmental Quality a Energy Efficiency	
Energy Efficiency	Natural ventilation where possible High efficiency LED Lighting Solar PV system	Energy Efficiency	
High WELS & Drought tolerant / native vegetation	High WELS Ratings Drip irrigation	Water Efficiency, Storm Water Management & Urban Ecology	
Cyclist Facilities	Staff/Visitor bike racks	Transport	
Operational Waste Management Plan	75%+ recycling in operation	Waste Management	
Ecological value	Retaining native trees	Urban ecology	



3 INDOOR ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Through the enhancement of indoor environment quality, occupants will see improvements to health along with benefits to thermal and acoustic comfort resulting in a more inviting and liveable internal environment.

The project will review acoustic separation throughout the design. This will focus on internal noise levels and enclosed spaces.

A lighting system shall be designed to provide appropriate lighting levels, where required, and suitable control systems. Additionally, lighting control systems shall be provided to all common areas.

Ample external views have been provided to occupants through the utilisation of dedicated solar passive design principles.

Materials that emit VOC's or formaldehyde shall be minimised within this project.

3.1 Lighting Comfort

To address the perception of colour, light sources must have a minimum Colour Rendering Index (CRI) of 80. Bare light sources must be fitted with baffles, louvers, translucent diffusers, ceiling design, or other means that obscures the direct light source from all viewing angles of occupants, including occupants looking directly upwards.

3.2 Visual Comfort /Daylight

The design will be provided with strong solar passive design and external shading using verandas to avoid glare onto work surfaces for more than 80% of the working time for each space and façade.

At least 61.5% of the nominated floor area has been designed to high levels of daylight during hours of occupancy. At least 80% of the nominated floor area has been designed to be within 8m of either an external view or high-quality internal view.

Table 2 Daylight Factor Calculations

Primary Space Floor	Primary floor area	Percentage Floor	Area Weighted
Area Total (m ²)	above threshold (m ²)	area above threshold	average Daylight
			Factor
214.62	131.90	61.5	5.6





Figure 1: Daylight factor for the primary zones



3.3 Ventilation

Openable windows allow for the ability for natural ventilation when required to achieve comfort.







Figure 3: Ventilation for Activity 2





Figure 4: Ventilation for Activity 3



Figure 5: Ventilation for Activity 4



3.4 Indoor Pollutants

All paints, adhesives and sealants used for internal application on the project shall have a low VOC content as outlined below.

Table 3 VOC Content

Product Category	Max TVOC content in
	grams per litre (g/L) of
	ready to use product.
General purpose adhesives and sealants	50
Interior wall and ceiling paint, all sheen levels	16
Trim, varnishes and wood stains	75
Primers, sealers and prep coats	65
One and two pack performance coatings for floors	140
Acoustic sealants, architectural sealant, waterproofing	250
membranes and sealant, fire retardant sealants and	
adhesives	
Structural glazing adhesive, wood flooring and laminate	100
adhesives and sealants	
General purpose adhesives and sealants	50
Interior wall and ceiling paint, all sheen levels	16
Trim, varnishes and wood stains	75

All carpets used within the project shall be certified under a recognised Product Certification Scheme.

All engineered wood products shall have no formaldehyde or meet the limits of the relevant testing protocols. These have been specified below:

Table 4 Formaldehyde Content

Test Protocol		Emission Limit/
		Unit of Measure
Plywood - AS/NZS 2269:2004 & AS/NZS 2098.11:2005		< 1.0 mg/L
Particle Board - AS/NZS 1859.1:2004 & AS/NZS		< 1.5 mg/L
4266.16:2004		
Plywood & Particle Board – JIS A 5908:2003		< 1.0 mg/L
MDF - AS/NZS 1859.2:2004 & AS/NZS 4266.16:2004 < 1.0 mg/L		
MDF – JIS A 5905:2003		< 1.0 mg/L
Laminated veneer – AS/NZS 4357.4		< 1.0 mg/L
ASTM D5116	<	0.1 (+/- 0.005)



Test Protocol	Emission Limit/
	Unit of Measure
	mg/m2/hr
ISO 16000	< 0.1 (+/- 0.005)
	mg/m2/hr
ASTM D6007	< 0.12 mg/m3
ASTM E1333	< 0.12 mg/m3
EN 717-1	< 0.12 mg/m3



4 ENERGY

A key concern with new buildings is greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, making up approximately 20% of total GHG emissions in Australia. Several initiatives and various technologies will be incorporated within the project to ensure these are mitigated.

A crucial aspect will be minimising energy usage. This will be achieved through the following strategies:

- Solar passive design.
- High performance glazing.
- Efficient lighting & control systems.
- Efficient HVAC systems & controls systems.
- Solar PV System.

Based on the proposed initiatives, the total accumulated impact reductions of building life cycle are predicted to be 32.29% reduction in Global warming potential.

Table 5 Energy Savings

Initiative	Reduction in GWP
Improved building fabric	0.71%
25 kW Solar PV	23.97%
LED Lights	0.76%
Energy monitoring	5.60%
Efficient Water Appliances	0.14%
High Efficiency HVAC	1.11%
TOTAL REDUCTION	32.29%

Please note that the Energy provisions of the NCC 2019 has increased significantly. The building fabric improvement although minor is compared to stringent requirements.



4.1 Solar Shading Analysis

Solar passive design principles have been considered, with glazing orientated to the North where possible and verandas help to reduce solar gains and improve energy efficiency in the east side.

West side has awning incorporated to reduce the direct solar gain. Glazing to the south has been minimized to reduce heat loss in winter months.



Figure 6: North and East in summer



Figure 8: South and West in summer



Figure 7: North and East in winter



Figure 9: South and West in winter

4.2 Improved Thermal Performance

Achieving improvement over NCC 2019 Section J 'Deemed-to-satisfy' requirements will ensure reduction benchmarks for Global Warming Potential (GWP) are achieved for this site. CADDS Group will work with services consultants during design development stage to ensure the HVAC equipment is to be sized with lower capacity to reduce the operation cost of HVAC system. This will result in reduction of life cycle impact of the building in many aspects throughout the life of the building. Specification of HVAC system will exceed minimum MEPS requirements and achieve COP/EER of 3.8 or higher.

The carbon emissions associated with heating and cooling accounts for up to 15% of the total operational carbon. A high-performance building envelope fabric will ensure the design will withstand future climate predictions through the life of the building. Refer to Table 1 for construction materials proposed.



Table 6 Preliminary Building Fabric Specification

Construction		Materials	
External Walls	Rt2.3 Brick cavity wall with insulation		
Boof/ Coiling	D+5 2	Reflective blanket under roof cover and ceiling insulation	
Roon Cenning	R[3.2	Light coloured Roof	

Glazing Specification		U-Value	SHGC	VLT
Glazing	High performance, high visible transmittance, light to solar gain ratios of 1	4.5	0.55	>0.55



4.3 Lighting

Use of LED lighting instead of conventional Compact Fluorescent and Incandescent Lighting will give significant savings in operation energy. As operation energy is responsible for 79-80% Life Cycle Impact of buildings, efficient lighting system would make a significant impact reduction in the life cycle of the building.

4.4 Appliances and Equipment

All appliances installed are to have a minimum Energy Star rating of 1 Star below the maximum energy star rating available for

- Fridge/freezers
- Dishwashers
- Clothes Washers



4.5 Solar PV

With the rising price of electricity, the economics of solar are very favourable for occupancy of Childcare centres. Using solar generated power on site results in much lower emissions associated with the development compared to using the fossil fuel powered grid. Feeding out to the grid assumes a net environmental credit as the electricity will be consumed by a neighbouring consumer therefore reducing the demand on the grid.

By connecting the system to the grid electricity, energy not used on-site will feed back into the (predominantly fossil fuel fired grid). This can be thought of as offsetting the carbon associated with the materials used in constructing and maintaining the building.

The development will be installing a solar PV system to offset energy use.

Chart below demonstrates the estimated annual electricity generation for a 25kW Solar PV Generation.



Figure 10: Solar PV

4.6 Building Metering and Monitoring

A monitoring system will be provided capable of monitoring at a minimum electrical and potential for water consumption throughout the building with software providing easy to read monitoring and trend usage data. The information recorded by this system shall be available to the property owner/tenant. This information shall be utilised by the owner company in relation to billing of water and electricity.



Figure 11: Metering



5 WATER

Perth has a limited potable water supply due to the increases in population and reductions in rainfall levels. By reducing this demand will help to alleviate the concerns related to potable water usage. All new water services are to ensure that high WELS rating fixtures and fitting are to be installed as appropriate.

Sub-soil drip Irrigation for plantings to be determined during design development. Fire system test water and water used in HVAC systems will also be determined during the design development stage with relevant consultant.

5.1 Sanitary Fixtures Efficiency

The project shall incorporate the following WELS Ratings:

Table 7 WELS Ratings

Fixture	1	Equipment	WELS Rating
Туре			
Taps			5 Star
Urinals			5 Star
Toilets			4 Star
Showers			3 Star (not more than 7.5L/m)



Figure 12: Water Savings



5.2 Heat Rejection

The project will not utilise water-based heat rejection systems, instead air-cooled systems shall be provided.

5.3 Landscape Irrigation

All landscaping irrigation to include drip irrigation and include moisture sensor override or alternatively the use of Xeriscape garden. Where Xeriscape garden is implemented, there will be a provision for the removal of irrigation within three months of landscaping installation reducing the need for watering after.

6 STORMWATER MANAGMENT

The project has been designed to minimise the peak storm water outflows from the site with the use of deep-rooted zones and landscaped gardens.

7 BUILDING MATERIALS

The project will improve the procurement processes related to material sourcing, resulting in reduction in embodied energy along with improvements in the quality and longevity. By incorporating these aspects into the supply chain, it will facilitate in increasing the frequency in recycling and re-use of these materials.

Preference will be given to environmentally responsible materials during the selection process. All materials, where applicable, shall have environmental certifications and manufacturing quality certification, shall have low VOC, reduced PVC content and formaldehyde content, shall seek to have recycled or eco preferred content and product stewardship.

7.1 Responsible Building Materials

The ESD specification include requirements for sustainable sourcing of PVC (best practice or PVC replacement) and steel products.

7.2 Construction and Demolition Waste

The site contains an existing building to be demolished. The demolition contract, and the main construction contract, will have a specified requirement to achieve at least 90% recycling rate.



8 TRANSPORT

It is the intention of this category to reduce occupant's dependency on private vehicle usage. This is achieved by providing alternatives methods of transport and provide a high level of amenity in the surrounding vicinity. The development will provide bicycle storage facilities and end of trip facilities.



The location is walkable by walk score where most errands can be accomplished by foot.

The location is close to train and bus stations including:

- Mandurah train station on the Joondalup-Mandurah line is within 15 minutes' walk (1.35 kilometers).
- The bus stops are located on parry Avenue which is 400 meters and South Street is 800 meters from the site.

Bus No.	Description		
506 & 507	Bull creek station- Cannington station via Parry Avenue		
204 to 208	Murdoch University / Murdoch station to Canning Vale, Thornlie Station & Cannington Station via South Street		
515 to 519	Murdoch TAFE / Murdoch station to Cockburn, Canning Vale and Armadale via South Street		
998 & 999	Fremantle- Fremantle circle route via South Street		

• The following Transperth bus routes service the site:



9 WASTE MANAGEMENT

A Waste Management Plan has been prepared to demonstrate that sufficient capacity is provided in the bin store to accommodate bins for general, recyclable and 'FOGO' waste streams.

10 URBAN ECOLOGY

The category will seek to mitigate the negative impacts that buildings have on the surrounding natural environment.

This development site has been previously developed with remaining structure evident on-site. The development will seek to improve the ecological value of the current site by incorporating soft landscaping, drought tolerant planting and the use of materials that will provide an aesthetically pleasing surrounding to the project.

Appropriate colours selected throughout the development to help mitigate the Heat Island effect.

10.1 Emissions

Building emissions have a large negative impact on the natural environment. Emissions from the site will be minimised as far as possible. By using environmentally friendly refrigerants and insulation and eliminating light spill, any significant impact of the building's emissions can be significantly reduced.

11 CONSTRUCTION AND MANAGEMENT

The project will encourage an environmental focus in the management of design, construction, and operational phases of the development. The project will have a thoroughly integrated approach to constructing and operating a building with good environmental performance.

The building will undergo a servicing and maintainability review along with a commissioning process. Project Teams will develop building operations and maintenance information along with a Building Users' Guide to inform the building owner and occupants of the environmental features in the building and the requirements for their maintenance during construction.