

## SUGGESTIONS FOR INCORPORATION INTO SPECIFICATIONS FOR DORMITORY OPERATOR

Objectives:

(A) To address safety and security concerns

1. Restrict dormitory area and access road to those staying in or operating the dormitory

**Ans: The access road is a public infrastructure. However, there will be a signage to inform the public that road will only lead to the dormitory.**

2. Limit access into and out of the premises via one gate and the access road only. Seal off existing smaller gate along the fence at Tai Hwan Heights. Provide barrier to access from the proposed gate (Point C) to Tai Hwan Terrace/Grove via the small pathway

**Ans: Will include this as part of the specifications for the operator.**

3. Provide access control for all buses at the entrance into the dormitory complex, and to persons at an appropriate point. (If guests are allowed, what are the control measures?)

**Ans: Will discuss with operator.**

4. Provide a surveillance system within the complex, especially along the perimeter fence. Provide some down lighting along perimeter fence.

**Ans: Will require the perimeter fence to be adequately lit as well as reasonable access control measures.**

5. Install additional fence along the drain, parallel to the existing fence to limit access into the estate via the drain.

6. Provide fencing along the road so that movement along the access road into the dormitory will be limited to the road only

**Ans: Instead of incorporating these as specifications for the dormitory operator, we will discuss with the operator if measures can be taken to ensure that the workers keep to the road.**

(B) To minimize traffic problems and noise pollution

1. Provide good and strong insulation via fencing or other means to surround site
2. Screen off access road with fencing or trees to cut down on noise, provide for security but with good aesthetics to blend with the surrounding

**Ans: NParks will provide sufficient roadside planting to screen the road from the nearest residential developments.**

3. Limit access into and out of the dormitory to buses to be provided by the operator. Motor and bicycles should not be permitted

**Ans: Not feasible to ban motor and bicycles altogether. However, we will propose to the operator to limit the number of motor and bicycles in the dormitory premises.**

4. Shift passenger alighting point/bus drop off point and parking closer to the dormitory area (between points C and D) so that the buses can turn around in the concrete area within the premises

**Ans: Will work with the operator to arrange for the pick up and drop off point to be located within the premises.**

5. Control access to vehicles/buses at the entrance into the dormitory Complex

**Ans: Will include this as part of the specifications for the operator.**

(C) To minimize disamenities caused by occupants in neighbourhoods nearby

1. Implement enforcement and surveillance measures for both the site and occupants

**Ans: The operator will be asked to implement a set of security measures proposed by the Police.**

2. Ensure buses are scheduled properly so as to avoid creating noise during sleeping hours and to avoid the morning peak hour traffic along Ang Mo Kio Ave 1.

**Ans: Will work with the operator to minimize any disturbance caused by the transport of workers. Nevertheless, as the occupants work on shifts, we need to allow the workers to be picked up at timings that correspond to their shift patterns.**

3. Provide shuttle buses to MRT stations for the weekends to minimize spillover to nearby estates.

**Ans: Will ask the operator to consider providing such services during the weekends.**

4. Ensure there are no “mass” events or activities after 10.30 pm.

**Ans: Will include this as part of the specifications for the operator.**

5. Ensure adequate facilities are provided so that dormitory residents will not need to use the facilities in the surrounding vicinity in such numbers

**Ans: Will require the operator to provide adequate facilities to minimize the need for dormitory residents to use the facilities in the surrounding vicinity.**