Our ref: DOC22/471374



Mr Andrew Watson DA Coordinator Key Sites & Regional Assessments Department of Planning and Environment Level 17, 4 Parramatta Square Parramatta NSW 2150

By email: Andrew.Watson@planning.nsw.gov.au

Dear Mr Watson

Notice of Exhibition of application for Digital Advertising Signage, Princes Highway, Loftus (DA22/5186)

Thank you for your referral dated 10 May 2022 inviting comments from the Heritage Council of NSW on the above proposal. The subject development is proposed at Lot 2 / DP1183944.

The proposed development involves:

• Installation of a new monopole digital advertising sign on the northern side of the Princes Highway, Loftus, within the railway corridor adjacent to the railway underpass of the Princes Highway.

The subject site is located adjoining the railway line near its crossing under the Princes Highway approximately 3km from Loftus station. The site is approximately 2km to the southwest of the nearest SHR item (Loftus Junction Railway Signal Box, SHR item 01182).

The following submitted documentation was considered in our assessment:

- Engineering Plans, DBCE, December 2021;
- Statement of Environmental Effects (SEE), Keylan, March 2022; and

As delegate of the Heritage Council of NSW, I provide the following comments:

- A statement of heritage impact was not submitted with the application.
- It is noted that the subject site and the SHR item share the same Lot and DP description, however the SHR item only applies to a small area within the north-eastern extent of this allotment.
- Due to the distance between the subject site and the SHR item, no visual impacts are anticipated.
- No information has been provided in relation to impacts upon potential historical archaeology. It is recommended that any approval for this project include the following condition to manage the unexpected discovery of historical archaeological information.

• Unexpected historical archaeological relics protection

The applicant must ensure that if unexpected archaeological deposits or relics not identified and considered in the supporting documents for this approval are discovered, work must cease in the affected area(s) and the Heritage Council of NSW must be notified. Additional assessment and approval may be required prior to works continuing in the affected area(s) based on the nature of the discovery.

As the site is in the vicinity of local heritage items, advice should be sought from the relevant local council.

If you have any questions regarding the above advice, please contact Veerle Norbury, Senior Heritage Assessment Officer at Heritage NSW on 9873 8616 or veerle.norbury@environment.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

Rajeev Maini Rajeev Maini Manager Assessments Heritage NSW Department of Premier and Cabinet <u>As Delegate of the Heritage Council of NSW</u> 25 July 2022