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Dear Ms Farrell

## RE: PLANNING PROPOSAL TO LIST LOCAL HERITAGE ITEM AT 19 FLORENCE STREET, STRATHFIELD - STRATHFIELD SYNAGOGUE

Thank you for referring the abovementioned Planning Proposal to the Heritage Division, Office of Environment & Heritage (OEH), for comment which proposes to list the Strathfield Synagogue on the *Strathfield Local Environmental Plan 2012*.

The Heritage Division raises no objection to the inclusion of additional items of heritage significance where the items are supported by a robust heritage assessment. In this regard, the Heritage Division notes the comprehensive assessments carried out by Architectural Projects.

Identifying and listing items of local heritage significance falls under the jurisdiction of local councils, however, it is noted that the documentation includes reports that argue against the listing. If Strathfield Council requires further advice on whether the property should be listed, the expertise of the NSW Heritage Council's Religious Property Advisory Panel may be sought.

If you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact Lily Chu, Heritage Officer, on (02) 9873 8595 or by email at <a href="mailto:lily.chu@environment.nsw.gov.au">lily.chu@environment.nsw.gov.au</a>.

Yours sincerely

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