

MINUTES OF HERITAGE REFERENCE COMMITTEE HELD ON THURSDAY, 20 MAY 2021

Present: Councillor J Anderson (Chairperson) (Roseville Ward)
Mr Robert Moore – National Trust
Ms Lorna Watt – Ku-ring-gai Historical Society
Ms Zeny Edwards – Local Historian and Community Member

Staff Present: Manager Urban & Heritage Planning (Antony Fabbro)
Heritage Specialist Planner (Vanessa Holtham)

Apologies: Ms Melika Aljukic – Australian Institute of Architects
Councillor M Smith (Deputy Chairperson) (St Ives Ward)
Joanne Martens – Community Member

The Meeting commenced at 12:00PM

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No interest was declared.

MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

- Glengarry Girl Guides Site (see minutes below)
- Pymble & Wahroonga Station Upgrades (see minutes below)
- 14 Beaconsfield Parade, Lindfield (see minutes below)
- Killara Bowling and Lawn Tennis Clubs (see minutes below)

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Minutes of Heritage Reference Committee

File: CY00413/9

Meeting held 15 April 2021

Minutes numbered GB.1 to GB.6

RECOMMENDATION:

That Minutes numbered GB.1 to GB.6 are confirmed as an accurate record of the proceedings of the Meeting.

These Minutes be adopted and circulated to Councillors at the OMC immediately following adoption by HRC.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Killara Bowling Club and Lawn Tennis Club

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Vide: GB.1

HRC strongly supported the potential listing of the sites.

HRC suggested that a strategic listing of the sites at this time based on the heritage merit would be preferable to a reactive listing as part of an IHO.

HRC supported the findings of the preliminary heritage assessment and suggested that with some minor refinements this could form the basis of a planning proposal to list the sites.

Staff noted that the preliminary heritage assessment was being included in the agenda for the June OMC.

Proposed de-listing - 14 Beaconsfield Parade, Lindfield

File: CY00413/9

Vide: GB.2

Staff explained the recommendations of the KLPP from Monday 17 May 2021, which was to not proceed with progressing the de-listing to Gateway Determination.

HRC noted the recommendations of the KLPP in relation to this matter and having considered the PMA report supports the continued listing of the dwelling.

Glengarry Girl Guides Site, North Turramurra

Council staff noted the following findings from their research:

- The site was included in the first revision of the Heritage Study, prepared in July 1987.
- The site was included in the second revision of the Heritage Study, prepared in September 1987.
- The site was not included in the third revision of the Heritage Study, revised in November 1987.
- Cannot find any record of discussions around the Heritage Study within OMC minutes between September and November of the building.
- In the 1996 heritage study, the site was not included in the list of previously excluded, deleted or deferred items from the 1987 Heritage Study.

HRC discussed that it appears likely that the site was identified as a heritage item however due to an clerical error has been incidentally omitted from Schedule 5.

HRC suggested that a further heritage assessment be undertaken ASAP.

It was agreed that findings may reveal confirmation of the existing intended listing.

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Vide: GB.3

Railway Stations update

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Vide: GB.4

HRC noted the Section 65A approval letter and agreed to wait for any feedback from local residents.

NSW Heritage Grants update

File: CY00413/9

Vide: GB.5

Staff noted that all three grant applications were unsuccessful.

Staff to prepare letter ASAP seeking feedback on the process and why Ku-ring-gai Council was so unsuccessful in this instance, especially given the nature of the grant applications/requests.

HRC suggested seeking funding from other sources.

HRC were aware of Mayoral Minute in relation to funding and Aboriginal Heritage.

Ku-ring-gai Heritage Home Grants update

File: CY00413/9

Vide: GB.6

Applications close on 31 May 2021.

HRC will review all applications (PowerPoint presentation) at June HRC meeting.

Staff to provide text for the promotion of the grants.

Post meeting note: Done.

OTHER BUSINESS

- The Heritage Festival Warrawee Walk was discussed and noted very successful with 33 people in attendance and that the owners of Kooyong and Cheddington opened their homes to the people on the tour.
- 52A Hastings Road, Warrawee is highly intact and should be considered for listing.
- HRC were advised that a property that was recently sold in the Ku-ring-gai LGA and it contains potentially significant Robert Woodward fountains. HRC agreed that further investigations into the significance of the fountains should be made. Further information will be circulated further information in relation to property containing the fountains 28 Nelson Street, Gordon.
- Mayor Anderson noted that she attended Ethel Turner's former home 'Woodlands' for an event on Saturday 8 May 2021 (author of Seven Little Australians) and noted that the event was a very positive promotion of heritage in Ku-ring-gai.

Meeting ended 1:20pm.

Next meeting Thursday 24 June 2021 at 12pm.