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Dear William

**HERITAGE COUNCIL OF NSW – GENERAL TERMS OF APPROVAL
INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION IDA/2019/090**

Site: Newcastle Railway Station and Newcastle Railway Station Additional Group,
110 Scott Street & 130 Scott Street Newcastle.

Proposal: Change of use to recreation area and landscaping works

As delegate of the Heritage Council of NSW (the Heritage Council), I have considered the above integrated development application. In accordance with Section 91A of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*, the following terms of approval are proposed to be granted.

1. APPROVED DEVELOPMENT

Development must be in accordance with:

- a) Architectural drawings, prepared by Conrad Gargett;
- b) *Heritage Impact Statement Landscape Proposal, 110 Scott Street, Newcastle*, by Conrad Gargett, August 2019;
- c) *Statement of Environmental Effects, Proposed Landscape and Public Domain Works, The Station – Newcastle*, prepared by Barker Ryan Stewart, August 2019; and,
- d) *Newcastle Railway Station Interpretation Plan*, prepared by Conrad Gargett, August 2019.

EXCEPT AS AMENDED by the following conditions of this approval.

2. DETAILS TO BE SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL

The following detailed design/information is to be submitted as part of the Section 60 application for approval by the Heritage Council of NSW (or delegate):

- a) Further detail of how and where interpretation measures will be located throughout the works area in accordance with the interpretation plan including interpretive signage;
- b) Detail of proposed lighting (if any) including any structures, or feature lighting for heritage elements, and fixing methodology to original or significant fabric such as platform awnings;
- c) Detail of proposed signage (if any) including structures and any fixing methodology to any original or significant fabric.

Reason: Limited details have been provided with the application. Further details are required to allow impacts to be adequately assessed, and to ensure that the proposed works do not have any physical or visual impacts on the values of the Newcastle Railway Station.

3. DEMOLITION

The demolition of the Platform 4 awning structure and the Scott Street Signal Hut are not supported.

Reason: These elements demonstrate the evolution of the site and its former use.

4. SITE PROTECTION

Drainage must be provided along the existing brick platform retaining walls where landscaped gardens are proposed. In addition, a protective sub-surface membrane should be provided against the platform retaining wall.

Reason: To minimise impacts to this significant fabric in the long-term.

5. SITE PROTECTION

Significant built elements are to be protected during site preparation and the works from potential damage. Protection systems must ensure significant fabric is not damaged or removed.

Reason: To ensure significant fabric is protected during construction.

6. ARCHAEOLOGY

An historical archaeological assessment must be provided which adequately assesses the impact of the proposed works on the archaeological resource.

Reason: Ground disturbing works are proposed within the former Railway Gasworks site which has been identified as having a high potential for archaeological resources.

7. COMPLIANCE

If requested, the Applicant and nominated Heritage Consultant may be required to participate in audits of Heritage Council approvals to confirm compliance with conditions of consent.

Reason: To ensure completion of the works in accordance with the approved plans and to improve the approvals process through a better understanding of the implementation of conditions of approval.

8. SECTION 60 APPLICATION

An application under section 60 of the Heritage Act 1977 must be submitted to and approved by the Delegate of the Heritage Council of NSW prior to work commencing.

Reason: To comply with legislation

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the existing platform infill interpretive rail tracks etched into the concrete are enhanced to better emphasise this interpretive element.

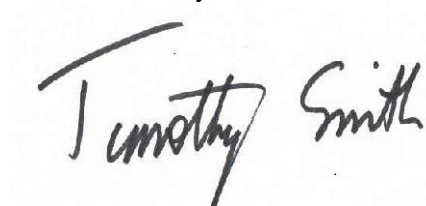
ADVICE

Your attention is drawn towards the powers of entry and inspection under s.148 of the *Heritage Act 1977* for authorised persons. If entry and inspection are required, reasonable notice will be provided as per the Act. The owner could voluntarily agree to allow non-authorised persons, such as Heritage Division (Office of Environment and Heritage) staff who are acting in a supporting role to the authorised persons, to enter their property for the purpose of inspection. Owners may also voluntarily grant permission to take photograph, take samples or request records.

Reason: Section 148 of the Heritage Act 1977, allows people authorised by the Minister to enter and inspect, for the purposes of the Act, with respect to buildings, works, relics, moveable objects, places or items that is or contains an item of environmental heritage. Reasonable notice must be given for the inspection.

If you have any questions regarding the above matter relating to Change of use to recreation area and landscaping works (IDA/2019/090) at Newcastle Railway Station please contact David Nix, Senior Heritage Officer at the Heritage NSW, Department Premier and Cabinet on 9895 6523 or at david.nix@environment.nsw.gov.au

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Timothy Smith". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

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Director Heritage Operations
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Department Premier and Cabinet

As Delegate of the Heritage Council of NSW

25 November 2019