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**SYDNEY NSW 2000**

Dear Mr Bright,

**Re: Mixed use development at 1 Lawson Square, Redfern – SSD 5249-2012**

I refer to your letter dated 30 January 2012 received by the Heritage Branch on 4 April 2012 seeking Heritage Council input into Director General's Requirements for Environment Assessment for the above project.

The heritage requirements included in the draft DGRs are supported. However, the following comments are made in relation to the Heritage Impact Statement required by the DGR's;

- The heritage significance of the site and any impacts the development may have upon this significance should be assessed by the Heritage Impact Statement. This assessment should include natural areas and places of Aboriginal, historic or archaeological significance. It should also include a consideration of wider heritage impacts in the area surrounding the site;
- The Heritage Council maintains the State Heritage Inventory which lists some items protected under the *Heritage Act, 1977* (e.g. listed on the NSW State Heritage Register) and other statutory instruments. This register can be accessed through the Heritage Office home page on the internet (<http://www.heritage.nsw.gov.au>);

It should be noted that the legal standing of items listed on the State Heritage Register can also be provided by applying for a section 167 Certificate through the Heritage Branch home page;

You should consult lists maintained by the Office of Environment & Heritage, the National Trust of Australia (NSW), the Australian Government under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* and the local council in order to identify any items of heritage significance in the area affected by the proposal;

- Non-Aboriginal heritage items within the area affected by the proposal should be identified by field survey. This should include any buildings, works, relics (including relics underwater), gardens, landscapes, views, trees or places of non-Aboriginal heritage significance. A statement of significance and an assessment of the impact of the proposal on the heritage significance of these items should be undertaken. Any policies/measures to conserve their heritage significance should be identified. This assessment should be undertaken in accordance with the guidelines in the NSW Heritage Manual. The field survey and assessment should be undertaken by a qualified practitioner/consultant with historic sites experience. The Branch's website

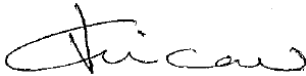


[http://www.heritage.nsw.gov.au/13\\_subnav\\_07.cfm](http://www.heritage.nsw.gov.au/13_subnav_07.cfm) can provide lists of suitable consultants;

- The proposal should have regard to any impacts on places, items or relics of significance to Aboriginal people. Where it is likely that the project will impact on Aboriginal heritage, adequate community consultation should take place regarding the assessment of significance, likely impacts and management/mitigation measures. For guidelines regarding the assessment of Aboriginal sites, please contact the Environmental Protection & Regulation Group of the Office of Environment & Heritage;

The Heritage Branch would be happy to review any further documentation that may address any likely heritage impacts. If you have any further enquiries regarding this matter, please contact Rajeev Maini on (02) 9873 8592.

Yours sincerely



**26/04/2012**

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**AS DELEGATE OF THE NSW HERITAGE COUNCIL**

