

# STATE HERITAGE REGISTER COMMITTEE

## **MEETING MINUTES**

1 August 2023 | 9:00 AM - 12:55 PM

Meeting held via Teams videoconference.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

## **State Heritage Register Committee**

The Hon Robyn Parker Chair

Ms Colleen Morris
Dr Wayne Johnson
Member
Dr Stephen Gapps
Member
Ms Lisa Trueman
Ms Natalie Vinton
Member
Mr Member
Mr Member
Mr Member
Mr Member
Mr Member
Mr Member

**Apologies** 

Mr Frank Howarth AM PSM Alternate Member

## **Heritage NSW**

Mr Sam Kidman Executive Director
Ms Anna London A/Director Programs

Ms Rebecca Newell A/Manager Streamlining (Item 4.1)

Dr Natalie Blake Manager Heritage Programs (Item 2.1, 4.3, 5.1 and 5.2)

Ms Louise Prowse Senior Heritage Officer (2.1)
Mr Damian Tybussek Senior Heritage Officer (4.2)

#### **Secretariat**

Ms Olgica Lenger Manager Secretariat
Ms Jo Pickles Secretariat Officer

#### **IN-CAMERA SESSION**

This item was not minuted.

## Item 1. Welcome and Formalities

Chair Robyn Parker opened the meeting at 9:30 am and delivered an Acknowledgment of Country.

The Chair advised Paul Knight has resigned from the Committee. The members would like to thank Paul and acknowledge his contribution and knowledge sharing over his time as a member on the State Heritage Register Committee (SHRC) and Heritage Council, which we have all benefited greatly from.

It was noted that Frank Howarth was an apology and a quorum had been met.

#### **Item 1.1 Conflict of Interest Declarations**

The State Heritage Register Committee noted the following standing declarations:

o Robyn Parker: 2011-2015 Decisions

Colleen Morris: National Trust of AustraliaWayne Johnson: Place Management NSW

o Natalie Vinton: Powerhouse

No new conflict of interest declarations were reported.

#### **Item 1.2 Out of Session Decisions**

Nil reported.

## Item 1.3 Minutes from the Previous Meeting - 4 July 2023

#### Resolution 2023-37

The State Heritage Register Committee:

1. **Confirmed** the minutes of the previous ordinary meeting (4 July 2023) as a complete and accurate record of that meeting.

Moved by Colleen Morris and seconded by Stephen Gapps

## **Item 1.4 Matters Arising**

Nil reported.

#### **Item 1.5 Action Report**

The State Heritage Register Committee noted the report.

#### Item 2 SHR Nominations – Notice of Intention

## Item 2.1 Nan Tien Temple - NOI

The State Heritage Register Committee noted the paper on Nan Tien Temple – Notice of Intention. *Key points noted:* 

- Nan Tien Temple is owner nominated and if listed, it would be the only purely Buddhist structure and Pagoda on the SHR representing the story of Buddhism in NSW for migrants and Australian-born Buddhists.
- Wollongong City Council is supportive of the nomination and considering listing on the LEP.
- The Committee discussed future works and management of the site and suggested a Conservation Management Plan could help inform Site Specific Exemptions.

The Chair thanked Louise Prowse and Natalie Blake for their work and presentation.

#### Resolution 2023-38

The State Heritage Register Committee:

- 1. **Considers** the place known as 'Nan Tien Temple' at 180 Berkeley Road, Berkeley defined in accordance with the curtilage shown at Tab 2.1C of the report, is likely to be of state heritage significance;
- 2. In accordance with section 33(1)(a) of the *Heritage Act 1977*, will **give** each person that it considers to be an affected owner or occupier written **notice** that it is going to consider whether or not to recommend the listing of the place concerned (a Notice of Intention to Consider Listing); and
- 3. In accordance with section 33(1)(b) and section 33(1)(c) of the *Heritage Act 1977*, within 14 days after notice of intention to consider listing is given, will cause a **notice** of intention to consider listing to be **published** in a newspaper circulating in the area in which the place is situated, inviting submissions on the listing, specifying a date as the closing date for the receipt of submissions of 28 days after the publication of the newspaper notice and the manner in which submissions may be made.

Moved by Wayne Johnson and seconded by Colleen Morris

## Item 3 SHR Nominations – Recommendation to List

Nil

#### Item 4. Matters for Consideration

## Item 4.1 SHR and AP Listings Review – presentation of report

The State Heritage Register Committee noted the presentation by Insight Partnership on their key findings and recommendations for the SHR and AP listings process review.

The Committee noted that the final report is yet to be reviewed by Heritage NSW and each recommendation will be assessed and subjected to feasibility review.

Members queried various aspects of the review and agreed to provide further input to Heritage NSW before coming back to the Committee with updates.

The Chair thanked Maura Boland, Greg Davies and Rebecca Newell for the update.

## Item 4.2 Lansdowne Park, Goulburn - Aboriginal Place - update

The State Heritage Register Committee noted the Lansdowne Park update by Damian Tybussek. Key points noted:

 An Aboriginal place proposal for Lansdowne Park was submitted on behalf of the Ngunnawal and Gundungurra people on 23 January 2023.

- There are concerns about encroaching development in the area that could impact a traditional and historic camping place and burial ground.
- Heritage NSW will continue to discuss the Aboriginal Place proposal with the owner to reach a negotiated outcome.
- A possible alternative to the Aboriginal Place proposal would be a SHR curtilage amendment, if the Ngunnawal and Gundungurra community were supportive of this approach.

The Chair thanked and Damian Tybussek and Natalie Blake for the update.

## **Item 4.3 Priority Themes for SHR Listings**

The State Heritage Register Committee noted the Priority Themes for SHR Listings by Natalie Blake and agreed to maintain the current work on the First Nations History and the LGBTIQA+ thematic priorities.

The Committee also requested a gap analysis of the SHR representativeness for consideration at the October meeting.

The Chair thanked Natalie Blake and Anna London for the update.

## Item 5. Preliminary Assessment of New SHR Nominations

#### Item 5.1 SHR Nomination – Borambola Homestead

The State Heritage Register Committee noted the paper on the Borambola Homestead – SHR Nomination.

Key points noted:

- The Borambola Homestead is located on the Sturt Highway, Borambola and is owner nominated.
- The property is listed on the Wagga Wagga LEP and is not under threat.
- The nomination is not a priority theme.

The Chair thanked Natalie Blake for the update.

#### Resolution 2023-39

The State Heritage Register Committee:

- 1. **Considers** that Borambola Homestead, Borambola may be of State heritage significance, however, the nomination will not be progressed to a full assessment at this time.
- The Committee commends the owners for their care and management of the property.

Moved by Stephen Gapps and seconded by Colleen Morris

## Item 5.2 Nomination - Synagogue and former Sydney Talmudical College

The State Heritage Register Committee noted the paper on the Synagogue and former Sydney Talmudical College – SHR Nomination.

Key points noted:

 The Synagogue is located on Flood Street, Bondi and has been nominated by Hector Abrahams Architects.

- There is a local council interim heritage order (IHO) over the site until Feb 2024 and Waverley Council is moving through the LEP process.
- An appeal has been lodged in the Land and Environment Court against the IHO with proceedings to commence in August 2023. The owner wishes to build apartments on the current site.
- The building was designed by Australian modern architect Harry Seidler and is one of the most architecturally distinguished religious chambers of the immediate post war period in NSW and one of the finest synagogues of the period. Also, a historically important place in the development of Jewish religion in NSW, the post war migration period and the first Talmudical school with integral synagogue.

The Chair thanked Natalie Blake for the update.

#### Resolution 2023-40

The State Heritage Register Committee:

Considers that the Synagogue and Former Sydney Talmudical College Premises
 Building Including Interiors, Bondi may be of State heritage significance and advises
 that the nomination will be progressed to a full assessment.

Moved by Colleen Morris and seconded by Wayne Johnson

## Item 6. SHR Listings Monthly Report

The State Heritage Register Committee noted the SHR Listings Monthly Report by Natalie Blake acknowledging the presentation of the report and providing further detail.

#### Item 7. General Matters

#### Item 7.1 Forward Agenda

The State Heritage Register Committee noted the report.

# **Meeting Close**

There being no further items of business, Chair Robyn Parker closed the meeting at 12:55 pm.

The Hon Robyn Parker

Chair, State Heritage Register Committee

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