

STATE HERITAGE REGISTER COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

31 October 2023 | 9:00 am - 12:30 pm

Meeting held via Teams videoconference.

ATTENDANCE

State Heritage Register Committee

The Hon. Robyn Parker Chair
Dr Stephen Gapps Member

Ms Lisa Trueman Member (departed 11:50 am)

Ms Natalie Vinton Member
Dr Brian Lindsay Member
Ms Colleen Morris Deputy Chair

Dr Wayne Johnson Member (departed at 10.07 am)

Apologies

Mr Frank Howarth AM PSM Alternate Member

Heritage NSW

Ms Anna London A/Director Heritage Programs

Dr Natalie Blake A/Manager Program Coordination (item 3.1, 4.0 and 5)

Mr David Hoffman Senior Heritage Officer (*item 2.1*)
Mr Harvey Johnson Manager Heritage Programs (*item 4*)

Ms Alexandra Boukouvalas Manager Heritage Programs
Ms Maxine Moffat Graduate Policy & Strategy
Ms Lindsay Nguyen Graduate Customer Service

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.

There were no apologies and a quorum had been met.

Item 1.1 Conflict of Interest Declarations

The State Heritage Register Committee noted the following standing declarations:

- Robyn Parker: 2011-2015 Decisions
- Colleen Morris: National Trust of Australia
- Dr Wayne Johnson: Place Management NSW
- Natalie Vinton: Powerhouse and MLC Building, North Sydney

No other conflict of interest declarations were reported.

Item 1.2 Out of Session Decisions

Nil reported.

Item 1.3 Minutes from the Previous Meeting – 3 October 2023

Resolution 2023-53

The State Heritage Register Committee:

1. **Confirmed** the minutes of the previous ordinary meeting (3 October 2023) as a complete and accurate record of that meeting.

Moved by Natalie Vinton and seconded by Colleen Morris

Item 1.4 Matters Arising

The Committee discussed the opportunities for better visibility regarding the gazettal of SHR listings and associated events.

Item 1.5 Action Report

The State Heritage Register Committee noted the report.

Item 2 SHR Nominations – Notice of Intention

Item 2.1 Hayden Orpheum Picture Palace - NOI

The State Heritage Register Committee noted the paper on Hayden Orpheum – Notice of Intention.

Key points noted:

- Built in 1935, Hayden Orpheum Picture Palace (formerly Cremorne Orpheum Theatre) is a rare surviving suburban Art Deco style cinema still in operation and a rare surviving example of the work of G.N. Kenworthy.
- Remodelling of the theatre complex in 1987 was sympathetic to the original design and styling.
- o Heritage NSW has assessed the building as potentially meeting 6 of the 7 criteria.
- Proposed curtilage does not include Cinema 5 located on 388 Military Road as it is not considered to have sufficient heritage values.
- The owner has not provided their support for the listing.
- o The Committee gave unanimous and enthusiastic support for the nomination.
- Brian Lindsay offered to be available to meet with the owner together with staff.

The Chair thanked David Hoffman and Alexandra Boukouvalas for their work and presentation.

Resolution 2023-54

The State Heritage Register Committee:

- 1. **Considers** the item known as *Hayden Orpheum Picture Palace (formerly Cremorne Orpheum Theatre)* at 380 Military Road, Cremorne, defined in accordance with the curtilage shown at Tab 2.2C 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 to recommend the listing of the item concerned (a *notice of intention to consider listing*).
- 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 item is situated, inviting submissions on the listing, specifying a date as the closing date for the receipt of submissions of 59 days after the publication of the newspaper notice and the manner in which submissions may be made.

Moved by Brian Lindsay and seconded by Colleen Morris

Item 3. Matters for Consideration

Item 3.1 Priority Themes for SHR Listing – SHR Gap Analysis Review 2015-2023

The State Heritage Register Committee noted the report on SHR Gap Analysis Review 2015-2023.

Key points noted:

- Members noted that the findings of the gap analysis report for SHR items listed since 2015 were based on the 2015 typology and discussed the need for better categorisation of SHR listed items to avoid overlap and duplication.
- o Further strategic work is required on priority themes and other strategies to improve the representativeness of the SHR.
- The streamlining work (resulting from the SHR and AP Listings Review) is currently being undertaken for planned changes to the nomination process to commence in 2025.
 The Committee discussed the retention of current priority themes in the meantime.

- In relation to war memorials, the Committee reflected on previous discussions for nominations to be referred to the NSW War Memorials Register.
- Members discussed the term 'diverse heritage' as a potentially useful lens that could encompass themes such as LGTBQIA+, women's heritage, Indigenous or migrant heritage.

The Chair thanked Nicole Secomb, Natalie Blake and the team for the work done.

Resolution 2023-55

The State Heritage Register Committee:

- 1. **Notes** the update from Heritage NSW and that further research is to be undertaken into categorisation of thematic listings and the nomination process.
- 2. **Recommends** to the Heritage Council of NSW the continuation of the LGBTIQA+ and the First Nations Heritage, including Frontier Conflict, as the thematic priorities for the SHR in the interim.
- 3. **Recommends** to the Heritage Council of NSW to endorse the inclusion of Migration Heritage as an additional interim priority for the SHR.

Moved by Lisa Trueman and seconded by Stephen Gapps

Item 4. Preliminary Assessment of New SHR Nominations

Item 4.1 416 High Street, Maitland

The State Heritage Register Committee discussed the potential significance of the item and noted that a development application and a potential local heritage listing is under consideration by the council.

Resolution 2023-56

The State Heritage Register Committee:

- 1. **Considers** that 416 High Street, Maitland may have heritage significance, however, insufficient information is available at this time to determine the level of significance.
- Notes the property is within a heritage conservation area, is subject to a development application and supports the local council in undertaking further research into local heritage.
- 3. **Defers** a decision about whether to progress to full assessment until these local processes are concluded and further information is available.

Moved by Brian Lindsay and seconded by Colleen Morris

Item 4.2 The former Gosford Courthouse and Police Station

The State Heritage Register Committee noted that there have been substantial alterations and additions since original construction and discussed the element of rarity and potential adaptive re-use of the item.

Resolution 2023-57

The State Heritage Register Committee:

1. **Considers** that the former Gosford Court House and Police Station may be of State

heritage significance and the nomination should be progressed to a full assessment.

Moved by Colleen Morris and seconded by Natalie Vinton

Item 5. SHR Listings Monthly Report

The State Heritage Register Committee noted the report.

Item 6. General Matters

Item 6.1 Forward Agenda

The State Heritage Register Committee noted the report.

Item 6.2 Convene

The State Heritage Register Committee noted the advice.

Meeting Close

There being no further items of business, the Chair, The Hon. Robyn Parker, closed the meeting at 12:30 pm.

The Hon. Robyn Parker

Chair, State Heritage Register Committee

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Date: 4 December 2023