



# HERITAGE COUNCIL OF NSW

## MEETING MINUTES – 529

3 July 2024 | 09:00 AM – 12:50 PM

Meeting Room 14, Level 11, 4PSQ, 12 Darcy Street, Parramatta & via teleconference

### ATTENDANCE

#### Members

The Hon. Robyn Parker	Acting Chair
Dr Nicholas Brunton	Member
Mr Ian Clarke	Member
Ms Vanessa Holtham	Member
Dr Brian Lindsay	Member
Ms Colleen Morris	Member
Ms Anthea Sargent	Member

#### Apologies

Mr Frank Howarth AM PSM	Chair
Dr Danièle Hromek	Member

#### External Presenter

Mr Justin Hewitt	King's Trust Australia ( <i>item 5.1</i> )
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#### Heritage NSW

Mr Tim Smith	Director Heritage Assessments
Ms Anna London	A/Director Heritage Programs
Mr Matthew Clark	Director Policy & Strategy ( <i>item 3.1</i> )
Ms Sonia Limeburner	Manager Strategy and Implementation ( <i>item 3.1</i> )
Ms Ashley Edwards	Senior Policy Officer ( <i>item 3.1</i> )
Mr Rajeev Maini	Manager Assessments ( <i>item 4.1</i> )
Ms Shikha Jhaldiyal	Senior Assessments Officer ( <i>item 4.1</i> )
Ms Elizabeth Owers	Director Customer Services ( <i>item 4.2</i> )
Ms Lana Zegura	Manager Incentives & Engagement ( <i>item 4.2</i> )
Ms Sarah Hinder	Senior Engagement Officer ( <i>item 4.2</i> )
Ms Rochelle Johnston	Senior Manager Major Projects ( <i>item 5.1</i> )
Ms Andrea Kennedy	Senior Assessments Officer ( <i>item 5.1</i> )

#### Secretariat

Ms Olgica Lenger	Manager Secretariat
Ms Elizabeth Thomas	Senior Secretariat Officer

**IN-CAMERA SESSION**

This item was not minuted.

**Item 1. Welcome and Formalities**

The A/Chair, Robyn Parker, opened the meeting at 9:00 AM.

The A/Chair noted the apologies received for this meeting, and that a quorum had been met.

The A/Chair congratulated Anthea Sargeant on being formally reappointed to the Council as the delegate of the Secretary of Department of Climate Change, Energy, Environment and Water.

**Item 1.1 Conflict of Interest Declarations**

There were no conflict of interests declared for this meeting.

Nicholas Brunton declared a new role as a member of the Wingecarribee Local Planning Panel which will be recorded on the COI and Pecuniary Interest registers.

**Item 1.2 Minutes from the Previous Meeting – 5 June 2024**

<b>Resolution 2024-30</b>
The Heritage Council of NSW resolved to:
1. <b>Confirm</b> the minutes of the previous ordinary meeting (5 June 2024) as a complete and accurate record of that meeting.
Moved by Ian Clarke and seconded by Brian Lindsay

**Item 1.3 Out of Session Decisions**

Nil.

**Item 1.4 Matters Arising**

There were no matters arising.

**Item 1.5 Action Report**

The Heritage Council of NSW noted the report and closed the items recommended for closure. The register was updated to reflect the further actions required.

**Item 2. Heritage NSW and Committees Updates****Item 2.1 Executive Director, Heritage NSW**

The Heritage Council of NSW noted the report and a verbal update from the Director Heritage Assessments.

*Heritage and Conservation Registers*

The Council discussed the approach to finalise the Heritage and Conservation Registers and suggested a risk-based approach be developed with an audit sample selected for presentation to the Council at a future meeting.

## Item 2.2 State Heritage Register Committee

Robyn Parker, Chair of the State Heritage Register Committee (SHRC), provided an update on the key outcomes for items considered at the 2 July SHRC meeting, including:

- Notices of Intent for *Toganmain Woolshed Precinct*, Carrathool; *Wyoming*, Birchgrove; and the *Art Gallery of NSW*
- SHR nominations for the *Gosford Library*, Gosford and *Maroombah Homestead*, Euchareena, and
- a review of the *SHR Amendments Policy* and implementation plan.

### *Art Gallery of NSW*

The A/Chair provided an update on the recent meeting with the Art Gallery of NSW regarding the proposed listing of the whole site. The aim is to enhance the listing to encompass the layers of history and include a bespoke Statement of Country. Site specific exemptions will be put in place to address the road infrastructure and other elements such as the Royal Botanic Gardens and Domain Trust.

The Recommendation to List is scheduled for consideration by the SHRC in September and the A/Chair acknowledged the work of Heritage NSW, in particular Meggan Walker, for progressing this work.

### *2023-24 SHR Listings program*

The A/Chair congratulated the Heritage NSW Programs team, in particular Anna London and Alexandra Boukouvalas, for working collaboratively with the SHRC to finalise 19 SHR listings in 2023-24 that recognise a diverse range of significant heritage.

## Item 2.3 Approvals Committee

Ian Clarke, Chair of the Approvals Committee (AC), provided an update on the key outcomes for items considered at the 2 July AC meeting, including:

- a presentation on TfNSW's future plans for *Balls Head Coal Loader and Waverton Wharf*, Waverton
- a section 60 application for *Demondrille Railway Station Signal Box*, Murrumburrah,
- a response to correspondence received for the *Queen Victoria Building*, Sydney and
- an update on the draft *Millers Point Heritage Guidelines*.

### *Balls Head Coal Loader and Waverton Wharf*

The Council noted the remedial works undertaken under the site specific exemptions and discussed the approved make safe works ahead of formulating an approach for the longer term heritage interpretation for the site.

Members more broadly discussed the appropriate approval pathways for substantial or partial demolition of heritage listed items, and development of a policy on ruins, demolitions and delisting of heritage items.

### *Signal Boxes and Rail Heritage Assets*

The Council discussed whether a strategic approach for the remaining Signal Boxes may be considered to ensure they are adequately represented on the State Heritage Register and noted the opportunity to discuss this further with Transport for NSW (TfNSW) when the *Regional Rail Heritage Strategy* is presented to Council.

### Item 3. Legal, Policy & Administration

#### Item 3.1 State Heritage Register Amendment Policy and Implementation Plan

The Heritage Council of NSW received a report from Heritage NSW on the draft policy and procedure for making amendments to the State Heritage Register (SHR).

The Council noted the proposed tiered approach for proposed amendments and discussed the process for making changes to the SHR.

The Council thanked Heritage NSW, in particular Sonia Limeburner and Ashley Edwards, for the presentation and work done to develop the policy for implementation.

Resolution 2024-31
<p>The Heritage Council of NSW resolved to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Endorse</b> the policy and procedure for making amendments to the State Heritage Register at Tab 3.1A of this report.</li> <li>2. <b>Note</b> that Heritage NSW will explore the feasibility of the options presented at Tab 3.1 B of this report, based on potential and available resources.</li> <li>3. <b>Note</b> the changes to HMS in Appendix C at Tab 3.1B of this report, required to implement the policy and procedure.</li> </ol>
Moved by Colleen Morris and seconded by Brian Lindsay

### Item 4. Matters for Consideration

#### Item 4.1 Powerhouse Museum Complex State Significant Development modifications - update

The Heritage Council of NSW received a verbal update from Heritage NSW on the request for the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI) to respond to the comments raised by the Council at the 5 June meeting.

The Council thanked Heritage NSW for the update and noted that the response is likely to be provided as part of the Response to Submissions.

#### Item 4.2 Heritage Forum - update

The Heritage Council of NSW received a verbal update from Heritage NSW regarding preparations underway for the upcoming Heritage Forum.

Members provided feedback on the proposed two day program including topics, key speakers and suggested industry professionals that may be suitable for the panel sessions.

The Council thanked Heritage NSW, in particular Lana Zegura and Sarah Hinder for the update and noted that further event details will be circulated.

### Item 5. External Presentations

#### Item 5.1 Introductions to the King's Trust Australia

The Heritage Council of NSW received a confidential presentation from the King's Trust Australia.

## **Item 6. Executive Reports**

### **Item 6.1 Chair, Heritage Council of NSW – Monthly Report**

The Heritage Council of NSW noted the verbal update provided by the A/Chair.

### **Item 6.2 Planning Report (DPHI)**

The Heritage Council of NSW noted the monthly planning report and verbal update from Anthea Sargeant.

### **Item 6.3 Advisory Panels Report**

The Heritage Council of NSW noted the Advisory Committee and Panels report.

## **Item 7. Heritage NSW Reports**

### **Item 7.1 Heritage NSW monthly reports**

The Heritage Council of NSW noted the monthly operational reports and verbal updates from Tim Smith and Anna London.

## **Item 8. General Matters**

### **Item 8.1 Forward Agenda**

The Heritage Council of NSW noted the forward agenda.

## **Item 9. Meeting Close**

There being no further items of business, the A/Chair, Robyn Parker, closed the meeting at 12:50 PM.



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The Hon. Robyn Parker

**Deputy Chair, Heritage Council of NSW**

Date: 7 August 2024