



HERITAGE COUNCIL OF NSW

MEETING MINUTES – State Heritage Register Committee

4 February 2026 | 1:05 – 3:20 pm

Meeting Room 10, Level 29, 4PSQ and via Teams videoconference

ATTENDANCE

State Heritage Register Committee

Dr Brian Lindsay	Chair
Vanessa Holtham	Member
Natalie Vinton	Member
Julian Siu	Member
Steve Meredith	Member

Apologies

Dr Stephen Gapps	Member
Sally Barnes	Alternate Member

Heritage NSW

Anna London	Senior Manager, Heritage Listing Programs
Alexandra Boukouvalas	Manager, Heritage Programs
Nicola Roche	Manager, Heritage Programs
Judith Coombes	Senior Heritage Officer (<i>item 2.1</i>)
Nikolas Orr	Senior Heritage Officer (<i>items 4.1 and 6.1</i>)
Darrie Wyndham	Senior Heritage Officer (<i>item 5.1 and 6.2</i>)
Lauren Thomson	Senior Heritage Officer (<i>item 6.3</i>)
Louise Prowse	Senior Heritage Officer (<i>item 6.4</i>)
Sarah Hawkins	Senior Heritage Officer (<i>item 7</i>)
Maggie Butcher	Senior Heritage Officer (observer)
Daniel Nabb	Senior Heritage Officer (observer)

Committee Services

Jo Pickles	A/Senior Project Officer Committee Services
Demos Hammond	Graduate

Item 1. Welcome and Formalities

The Chair, Dr Brian Lindsay, opened the meeting at 1:05 pm, delivered an Acknowledgment of Country and welcomed attendees.

The Committee noted that Dr Danièle Hromek's term concluded on 2 February 2026 and thanked Dr Hromek for her contributions.

An apology was received from Dr Stephen Gapps, and the Committee noted that a quorum was present.

Item 1.1 Conflict of Interest Declarations

Nil

Item 1.2 Out of Session Decisions

Nil

Item 1.3 Minutes from the Previous Meeting – 2 December 2025

Resolution 2026-01
The State Heritage Register Committee: 1. Confirmed the minutes of the previous ordinary meeting (2 December 2025) as a complete and accurate record of that meeting.
Moved by Julian Siu and seconded by Steve Meredith

Item 1.4 Matters Arising

Nil.

Item 1.5 Action Report

The State Heritage Register Committee noted the report.

Item 2. SHR Nominations – Notice of Intention (NOI)

Item 2.1 MV Beardmore – NOI

The State Heritage Register Committee received a report and presentation from Heritage NSW on the MV Beardmore, a rare and intact timber tugboat built in 1914 and currently on static display at Harwood Sugar Mill.

The Committee noted that the vessel may meet the threshold for State heritage significance for its historic and rarity values and has an ongoing connection to Yaegl Country and the Northern Rivers sugar industry. The Committee noted that it is proposed to list the vessel as a moveable heritage item and that, as there are no plans to remove the vessel from static display and return it to the water, its ongoing conservation is likely to be manageable.

Resolution 2026-02
The State Heritage Register Committee: 1. Considers the item known as MV Beardmore, currently located at Harwood Sugar Mill, Mill Lane, Harwood Island, may be of State heritage significance.

2. 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 State listing of the item (refer to section 33(1)(a) of the *Heritage Act 1977*).
3. Additionally, within 14 days of giving notice to owners and occupiers, will also **publish** the **notice** in a newspaper circulating in the area where the item is located (refer to section 33(1)(b) of the *Heritage Act 1977*).
4. The notice will invite submissions on the listing, explain how submissions can be made and specify the closing date for submissions, being a date no less than 14 days after the publication of the newspaper (refer to section 33(1)(c) of the *Heritage Act 1977*).

Moved by Steve Meredith and seconded by Julian Siu

Item 3. SHR Nominations – Recommendation to List (RTL)

Nil

Item 4. SHR Amendments – Notice of Intention to Amend (NTA)

Item 4.1 Earp Gillam Bond Store Precinct, Newcastle - NTA

The State Heritage Register Committee received a report and presentation from Heritage NSW on the Earp Gillam Bond Store Precinct, Newcastle.

The Committee noted the proposed curtilage amendment to align with historical evidence and avoid overlap with a neighbouring State Heritage Register listed item, and that the Heritage Database Report has been updated to reflect State heritage significance for historic and associative values.

Resolution 2026-03

The State Heritage Register Committee:

1. **Considers** the item known as Earp Gillam Bond Store Precinct (to become Earp Gillam Bond Store, Russell Warehouse and railway siding) at 16 Telford Street, Newcastle East, defined in accordance with the curtilage shown at Tab 4.1A of the report, continues to be of State heritage significance, as detailed in Tabs 4.1B and 4.1C of the report.
2. **Considers** that the proposed amendment to the listing will remove a portion of the current curtilage (as shown in Tab 4.1D and described in Tab 4.1E of the report) which is considered unlikely to contribute to the State heritage significance of the item.
3. 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 amendment of the listing for the item concerned (refer to section 33(1)(a) of the *Heritage Act 1977*).
4. Additionally, within 14 days of giving notice to owners and occupiers, will also **publish** the **notice** in a newspaper circulating in the area where the item is located (refer to section 33(1)(b) of the *Heritage Act 1977*).
5. The notice will invite submissions on the listing, explain how submissions can be made and specify the closing date for submissions, being a date no less than 14 days after the publication of the newspaper (refer to section 33(1)(c) of the *Heritage Act 1977*).
6. **Decides to delegate** to Heritage NSW the recommendation to amend the listing of the Earp Gillam Bond Store, Russell Warehouse and railway siding to the Minister, following consideration of all submissions received.

Moved by Vanessa Holtham and seconded by Julian Siu

Item 5. SHR Amendments – Recommendation to Amend (RTA)

Item 5.1 Factory and Dwelling (Gloucester Street), The Rocks – RTA

The State Heritage Register Committee received a report and presentation from Heritage NSW on the Factory and Dwelling (Gloucester Street), The Rocks, including an amendment to rename the listing from 'Housing Board Building' to the historically correct 'Factory and Dwelling (Gloucester Street)'.

The Committee noted that the Heritage Database Report has been revised to reflect State heritage significance for historic, aesthetic and rarity values.

Resolution 2026-04

The State Heritage Register Committee:

1. Has **considered** the submissions received in response to its notice of intention to consider amending a listing and **finds** that the Factory and Dwelling (Gloucester Street) at 120 Gloucester Street, The Rocks, satisfies criteria a, c and f for determining whether an item is of State heritage significance (refer to section 33(1)(d) of the *Heritage Act 1977*).
2. **Recommends** that the Minister **direct** the amendment of the State Heritage Register listing of the Factor and Dwelling (Gloucester Street) at 120 Gloucester Street, The Rocks, as shown in the plan at Tab 5.1A of the report (refer to sections 32(1) and (2) of the *Heritage Act 1977*).
3. Gives **notice** of its decision to affected owners or occupiers, the relevant local council, and everyone who made a submission (refer to section 33(1)(e) of the *Heritage Act 1977*).
4. **Notes** that the Heritage Council standard exemptions still apply.

Moved by Julian Siu and seconded by Vanessa Holtham

Item 6. SHR Amendments – Decision to Amend (DTA)

Item 6.1 T&G Mutual Life Assurance Building, Newcastle – DTA

The State Heritage Register Committee received a report from Heritage NSW on the T&G Mutual Life Assurance Building, Newcastle, and noted that the item continues to be of State heritage significance, supported by the additional information compiled to improve this listing. The Committee also noted that the owner supports the amendment and has actively engaged with the proposed changes and recommended site specific exemptions.

Resolution 2026-05

The State Heritage Register Committee:

1. **Considers** that the item known as T & G Mutual Life Assurance Building at 45 Hunter Street, Newcastle, defined in accordance with the curtilage shown at Tab 6.1A of the report, continues to be of State heritage significance supported by the additional information compiled to improve this listing.
2. **Finds** that T & G Mutual Life Assurance Building at 45 Hunter Street, Newcastle, satisfies criteria a and c for determining whether an item is of State heritage significance (refer to section 33(1)(d) of the *Heritage Act 1977*).
3. Gives **notice** of its decision to affected owners or occupiers and the relevant local council (refer to section 33(1)(e) of the *Heritage Act 1977*).

4. **Recommends** that the Minister **grant** the site specific exemptions listed in Tab 6.1B of the report (refer to section 57(2) of the *Heritage Act 1977*).

Moved by Julian Siu and seconded by Steve Meredith

Item 6.2 Manly Cove Pavilion, Manly – DTA

Item 6.2 was deferred to a future meeting.

Item 6.3 Post Office Stores, Haymarket – DTA

The State Heritage Register Committee received a report from Heritage NSW on the Post Office Stores, Haymarket, and noted that the item continues to be of State heritage significance, supported by the additional information compiled to improve this listing. The Committee also noted that the owner supports the amendment and has assisted the development of the recommended site specific exemptions.

Resolution 2026-06

The State Heritage Register Committee:

1. **Considers** that the item known as Post Office Stores at Little Hay Street, Haymarket, defined in accordance with the curtilage shown at Tab 6.3A of the report, continues to be of State heritage significance supported by the additional information compiled to improve this listing.
2. **Finds** that Post Office Stores at Little Hay Street, Haymarket, satisfies criteria a and g for determining whether an item is of State heritage significance (refer to section 33(1)(d) of the *Heritage Act 1977*).
3. Gives **notice** of its decision to affected owners or occupiers and the relevant local council (refer to section 33(1)(e) of the *Heritage Act 1977*).
4. **Recommends** that the Minister **grant** the site specific exemptions listed in Tab 6.3B of the report (refer to section 57(2) of the *Heritage Act 1977*).

Moved by Vanessa Holtham and seconded by Julian Siu

Item 6.4 Llanarth, Llanarth – DTA

The State Heritage Register Committee received a report from Heritage NSW on Llanarth, 120 Eglinton Road, Llanarth and noted that the item continues to be of State heritage significance, supported by the additional information compiled to improve this listing. The Committee also noted that the owners support the amendment and have provided minor comments on the proposed changes.

Resolution 2026-07

The State Heritage Register Committee:

1. **Considers** the item known as Llanarth at 120 Eglinton Road, Llanarth, defined in accordance with the curtilage shown at Tab 6.4A of the report, continues to be of State heritage significance, supported by additional information compiled to improve the listing.

2. **Finds** that Llanarth at 120 Eglinton Road, Llanarth, satisfies criteria a and c for determining whether an item is of State heritage significance (refer to section 33(1)(d) of the Heritage Act 1977).
3. Gives **notice** of its decision to affected owners or occupiers and the relevant local council (refer to section 33(1)(e) of the Heritage Act 1977).
4. **Notes** that the current site Heritage Council standard exemptions still apply.

Moved by Julian Siu and seconded by Vanessa Holtham

Item 7. New SHR Nominations – Preliminary Assessment

The State Heritage Register Committee received a report from Heritage NSW on new SHR nominations – preliminary assessment.

7.1 Holy Trinity Anglican Church (former), Huskisson

The Committee discussed the former Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Huskisson, as a potential site of State heritage significance and noted the complexity of the site and ongoing community interest in heritage protection. The site may demonstrate Aboriginal cultural heritage values, including complex histories of Aboriginal community resistance and Aboriginal burials in a Christian context. However, inconsistent information makes it difficult to reach a conclusion on State heritage significance. The Committee also noted that the site is protected by local heritage listing.

Resolution 2026-08

The State Heritage Register Committee:

1. **Considers** that although the former Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Huskisson, may be of State heritage significance, it is recognised and protected by local heritage listing and will not be progressed for assessment.

Moved by Julian Siu and seconded by Vanessa Holtham

7.2 Mortis Street Cemetery, Goulburn

The Committee discussed the Mortis Street Cemetery, Goulburn, as a potential site of State heritage significance and noted that, although the site may be of State heritage significance, it is not a strategic priority and is protected by local heritage listing.

Resolution 2026-09

The State Heritage Register Committee:

1. **Considers** that although the Mortis Street Cemetery, Goulburn, may be of State heritage significance, it is recognised and protected by local heritage listing, it is not a strategic priority and will not be progressed for assessment.

Moved by Steve Meredith and seconded by Julian Siu

7.3 Heddon-Greta Drive-in, Heddon-Greta

The Committee discussed the Heddon-Greta Drive-in, Heddon-Greta, as a potential site of State heritage significance and noted that, while fair economic use is not a required consideration, the economics of a drive-in are increasingly difficult as such film-going practices decline. The Committee noted that, although the site may be of State heritage significance, it is not a strategic priority.

Resolution 2026-10

The State Heritage Register Committee:

1. **Considers** that although the Heddon-Greta Drive-In, Heddon-Greta, may be of State heritage significance, it is not a strategic priority and will not be progressed for assessment.

Moved by Natalie Vinton and seconded by Julian Siu

7.4 MV Collaroy

The Committee discussed the MV Collaroy as a potential item of State heritage significance and noted that, while comparable 20th century vessels are listed on the State Heritage Register, the bespoke nature of the vessel presents significant challenges in terms of viability, serviceability and cost. The Committee noted the substantial financial burden required to make the vessel seaworthy and that, although tenders have been sought, no sustainable or appropriate divestment options were received.

Resolution 2026-11

The State Heritage Register Committee:

1. **Considers** that although MV Collaroy may be of State heritage significance, the nomination will not be progressed for assessment noting advice from Heritage NSW that the NSW Government has received no sustainable divestment options.

Moved by Vanessa Holtham and seconded by Steve Meredith

7.5 Sir Edgeworth David Mining Memorial, Abermain

The Committee discussed the Sir Edgeworth David Mining Memorial, Abermain, as a potential site of State heritage significance and noted that the site is unlikely to be of State heritage significance.

Resolution 2026-12

The State Heritage Register Committee:

1. **Considers** that the Sir Edgeworth David Mining Memorial, Abermain, is unlikely to be of State heritage significance and therefore the nomination will not be progressed for assessment.

Moved by Julian Siu and seconded by Natalie Vinton

7.6 Sportsmans Creek Weir, Lawrence

The Committee discussed the Sportsmans Creek Weir, Lawrence as a potential site of State heritage significance and noted that the site is unlikely to be of State heritage significance.

Resolution 2026-13
The State Heritage Register Committee: 1. Considers that the Sportsmans Creek Weir, Lawrence, is unlikely to be of State heritage significance and therefore the nomination will not be progressed for assessment.
Moved by Natalie Vinton and seconded by Vanessa Holtham

Item 8. State Heritage Register Listings Monthly Report

The State Heritage Register Committee noted the report.

Item 9. General Matters

Item 9.1 Forward Agenda

The State Heritage Register Committee noted the forward agenda.

Item 9.2 2025-26 HC, SHRC, AC Leave Tracker

The State Heritage Register Committee noted the currency of the leave tracker.

Meeting Close

There being no further items of business, the Chair, Dr Brian Lindsay, closed the meeting at 3:20 pm.



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 Dr Brian Lindsay
Chair, State Heritage Register Committee
 Date: 4 March 2026