

# MINUTES

HERITAGE COUNCIL  
STATE HERITAGE REGISTER COMMITTEE  
Meeting of 2 February 2005 at 1.30 pm

Heritage Council of NSW  
State Heritage Register  
Committee

Agenda item: 3.0  
Date: 2 March 2005  
File:H99/00007

## Item 1. In Attendance

Ian Jack (Chair)  
John Delaney  
Michael Collins  
Reece McDougall  
Robert Goodman  
Ross Fitzgerald

### Apologies

Jason Ardler

### Also in Attendance (NSW Heritage Office)

Anthony Mitchell  
Bruce Baskerville  
Bronwyn Hanna  
Cameron White  
Claudine Loffi  
Deborah Arthur  
Gary Pringle  
Linda Byrne  
Mary-Ann Hamilton

## Item 2. Declarations of interest

Nil

## Item 3. Confirmation of the minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the previous meetings held 1 December 2004 were noted and adopted with the following comments:

- a) Interim Heritage Order – 39 Dunmore Street, Bexley.

Cameron White advised the members that Heritage consultant, Terry Kass has been engaged to assess the significance of the property.

## Item 4. Action Report

The action report was noted with the following comments:

- a) Fitzroy Ironworks, Mittagong

The Minister has made an Interim Heritage Order over Fitzroy Ironworks, Mittagong.

## Item 5. Minutes, reports and matters arising from HC Advisory Panels

Nil

## Item 6. Presentations

Nil

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### Item 7. SHR – Notice of intention to List

#### 7.1 Lewers Bequest & Gallery, Penrith

Mary-Ann Hamilton spoke to the matter. The site was nominated by the Australian Royal Institute of Architects. Penrith Council is the owner of the site and has expressed support for listing on the State Heritage Register. The site comprises two houses in a garden setting and the collection of artworks. One of the buildings was the home of Margo and Jerry Lewers who were both regarded as important artists of the mid 20<sup>th</sup> century. The other building was designed by Sidney Anchor. The gardens are considered to be of heritage significance.

The proposed curtilage incorporates the land containing the houses, the garden down to the river bank and important views.

Site specific exemptions will be explored further during the notification period in consultation with Penrith Council.

The investigation of the importance of the site to the Aboriginal community has commenced.

Discussions have been held in relation to the integrity of the garden. The Garden History Society is currently preparing a garden Conservation Management Plan. Members would like to see this plan considered as part of the listing process. The Garden History Society has been identified as an affected party and will be notified of the intention to consider listing.

### Resolved

**That the Heritage Council State Heritage Register Committee:**

- 1. considers the item, defined in accordance with the curtilage shown at Annexure B may be of State heritage significance;**
- 2. in accordance with section 33(1)(a) of the Heritage Act, 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 item concerned (a Notice of Intention to Consider Listing);**
- 3. in accordance with section 33(1)(b) of the *Heritage Act*, 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 40 days after publication of the newspaper notice and the manner in which submissions may be made; and**
- 4. directs the Heritage Office to commence discussions with the owner about possible exemptions made in accordance with section 57(2) of the *Heritage Act* to be made in addition to the Heritage Council's Standard Exemptions, to be implemented if the item is listed on the State Heritage Register.**

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### 7.2 Tulkiyan, Ku-ring-gai

Anthony Mitchell spoke to the matter. A number of nominations have been received for Tulkiyan. Nominators have included the Australian Royal Institute of Architects, the National Trust and Ku-ring-gai Council. The building is an intact Arts & Crafts style house designed by the eminent Edwardian architect Bertrand James Waterhouse. The house was commissioned by the Donaldson family, who have continued to reside in the house for 80 years and kept meticulous archived records of their ownership and occupation. The house demonstrates the lifestyle of an Edwardian family.

The house was bequeathed to Ku-ring-gai Council in 1985 and is currently operated as a house museum and reception centre. Funding has been provided by the Heritage Office in the last few years including a movable heritage inventory project.

It is understood that there is strong community support for the listing.

#### Resolved

**That the Heritage Council State Heritage Register Committee:**

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- 3. in accordance with section 33(1)(b) of the Heritage Act, 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 fourteen days after publication of the newspaper notice and the manner in which submissions may be made; and**
- 4. directs the Heritage Office to commence discussions with the owner about possible exemptions made in accordance with section 57(2) of the Heritage Act to be made in addition to the Heritage Council's Standard Exemptions, to be implemented if the item is listed on the State Heritage Register.**

#### **Item 8. SHR – Recommendation to Minister**

##### **8.1 landra Pastoral Homestead Estate, Greenethorpe**

Claudine Loffi spoke to the matter. All submissions received during the notification period supported the listing - including submissions from descendants of previous owners and the current owner (who nominated the property).

Reference has been made in the report to the surrounding Greenethorpe Village which is identified as a potential State significant item. A staged approach will be taken with the future investigations into the Greenethorpe Village.

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<b>Resolved</b>
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**That the Heritage Council State Heritage Register Committee:**

- 1. in accordance with section 33 (1)(d) of the Heritage Act, 1977 advises the Minister that the item known as the “landra Homestead Pastoral Estate” at landra Road, Greenethorpe, is of State heritage significance , as shown in the plan at Annexure B;**
- 2. recommends to the Minister, in accordance with sections 32(1) and (2) of the Heritage Act, that she directs the listing of the item, the “landra Homestead Pastoral Estate” at landra Road, Greenethorpe, on the State Heritage Register if she considers the item is of State heritage significance; and**
- 3. in accordance with sections 33 (1)(e) of the Heritage Act 1977, gives notice of its decision to persons notified under section 33(1)(a).**

## **8.2 Hampton Villa, Balmain**

Claudine Loffi spoke to the matter. Community members, Leichardt Council and the owner support the listing. Public submissions identified issues associated with the integrity of the house. It is however considered that the level of alteration does not compromise the state significance of the house. Matters raised in community submissions have been integrated into the State Heritage Inventory and the report to the Committee.

<b>Resolved</b>
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**That the Heritage Council State Heritage Register Committee:**

- 1. in accordance with section 33 (1)(d) of the Heritage Act, 1977 advises the Minister that the item known as “Hampton Vila” at 12B Grafton Street, Balmain, is of State heritage significance , as shown in the plan at Annexure B;**
- 2. recommends to the Minister, in accordance with sections 32(1) and (2) of the Heritage Act, that she directs the listing of the item, “Hampton Vila” at 12B Grafton Street, Balmain, on the State Heritage Register if she considers the item is of State heritage significance; and**
- 3. in accordance with sections 33 (1)(e) of the Heritage Act 1977, gives notice of its decision to persons notified under section 33(1)(a).**

## **8.2 Women's College, Sydney University**

Bronwyn Hanna spoke to the matter. Members were advised that the maples wing of this site has now been incorporated into the proposed curtilage map which was omitted in the first report presented to the Committee.

This site is the First women’s college in the British Empire. It is of social and historical significance for its association with the professional women in Australia. The College complex began with the wing built in 1894. It continued to expand with additional buildings and now houses 220 students.

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A green paper proposing approval exemptions was distributed to Members.

The significance of the site to the Aboriginal community is currently being explored further. It appears a study was conducted on this aspect of the site's heritage significance. This study is currently being sought and its content will be incorporated into the State Heritage Inventory.

Members noted that the consultation process has been comprehensive and congratulated Bronwyn Hanna in bringing this matter to the Committee.

Members discussed the potential for a thematic approach to listing other colleges and universities in the future.

### Resolved

**That the Heritage Council State Heritage Register Committee:**

1. in accordance with section 33 (1)(d) of the *Heritage Act, 1977* advises the Minister that the Women's College is of State heritage significance in as shown in the plan at Annexure B;
2. recommends to the Minister, in accordance with sections 32(1) and (2) of the *Heritage Act*, that she directs the listing of the Women's College on the State Heritage Register if she considers the item is of State heritage significance; and
3. in accordance with sections 33 (1)(e) of the *Heritage Act 1977*, gives notice of its decision to persons notified under section 33(1)(a).

### Item 9. Section 170 Registers

Nil

### Item 10. Interim Heritage Orders

#### 10.1 Status Report

The status report was noted with the following comments:

- a) Bower Hall, Manly

Manly Council is preparing a draft LEP for inclusion of this site and are currently negotiating with the owner. This IHO is due to lapse on the 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2005.

- b) Fitzroy Ironworks, Mittagong

Archaeological investigations are currently underway.

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### **Item 11. Environmental Planning Instruments & Heritage Studies**

#### **11.1 Status Report**

Gary Pringle spoke to the matter. The Heritage Office has commented on twenty four Local Environmental Plans since the last Committee meeting including the following:

- Burwood Town Centre - the rail station and former Post Office which are listed on the State Heritage Register are impacted by the draft plan. The Heritage Office will be holding discussions with Burwood Council in relation to these affected items.
- In Mittagong, a 400 lot subdivision was proposed with the Department of Infrastructure Planning & Natural Resources requesting an additional 200 lots. A curtilage study has been requested by the Heritage Office to resolve matters associated with listed sites.
- A matter concerning the rezoning of a property in Childs Street, Auburn was resolved.
- Issues were raised in response to proposed rezonings for Baulkum Hills.

### **Item 12. Matters for Consideration**

Nil

**Next Meeting**            9:30 am, 2 March 2005, 3 Marist Place, Parramatta