

**NOTES OF HERITAGE REFERENCE COMMITTEE
HELD ON THURSDAY, 22 OCTOBER 2020 AT 12.00PM**

ONLINE MEETING

Present: Councillor J Anderson (Chairperson) (Roseville Ward)
Councillor M Smith (Deputy Chairperson) (St Ives Ward)
Melika Aljukic (Australian Institute of Architects)
Lorna Watt (Ku-ring-gai Historical Society)
Zeny Edwards (Local Historian and Community member)
Robert Moore (National Trust)

Staff Present: Antony Fabbro (Manager Urban and Heritage Planning)
Craig Wyse (Team Leader Urban and Heritage Planning)
Vanessa Holtham (Heritage Specialist Planner)
Olivia Turner (Heritage Planner)
Craig Roberts (Coordinator Project Delivery – Operations)

Others Present: N/A

Apologies: Joanne Martens (Community member)

The Meeting commenced at 12.00 pm.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- Manager Urban and Heritage Planning declared a non- significant non-pecuniary interest regarding item 7 of the revised agenda, and left the meeting for the duration of the discussion of this item.
- Mayor Anderson declared a non-significant non-pecuniary interest in item 3, 6 Springdale Rd Killara, having previously resided next door. She however does not know the new affected owners, so remained for this item.

MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

- Discussion of potential heritage items, following circulation of additional information (scheduled agenda item).

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Confirmed the following:

- 8 September 2020 (File: CY00413/8 [2020/268216](#))

MINUTES OF HERITAGE REFERENCE COMMITTEE

File: CY00413/8

1. Membership update.

The committee was advised that following the 20 October 2020 OMC, the committee had officially gained two new members, Mrs Lorna Watt, President of the Ku-ring-gai Historical Society, and Dr Zeny Edwards, a local historian and author. The committee welcomed the new members and acknowledged the valuable experience and knowledge they would bring to the committee.

2. Painting Council Chambers.

Coordinator of Project Delivery, Craig Roberts (Operations), presented a scaled mock-up the proposed colour scheme for Council Chambers to the committee. Several colours from the Resene Heritage range had been proposed in line with the building's historical appearance and previous studies, including the Conservation Management Plan and Original Paint Scrape Analysis. The committee discussed the NBRS colour scheme, which was previously used, and there was debate around proceeding with a more modern palette that may not conform to the original building colours.

3. 6 Springdale Road, Killara – IHO update.

The committee was given an update on the matter of 6 Springdale Road, Killara, which returned to OMC on 20 October 2020 following the KLPP recommendation that the listing be progressed to Gateway determination. Council resolved that the proposed listing should proceed to Gateway determination.

4. 207 Eastern Road, Wahroonga – IHO update.

Following the last committee meeting and the support expressed for placing an Interim Heritage Order on 207 Eastern Road, Wahroonga, Council exercised its delegation and place an IHO on the item, which was officially gazetted 25 September 2020. Following this, a Councillor Site visit was conducted on the 13 October 2020. The committee was informed that Council had engaged an experienced heritage consultant and architect, Dr Scott Robertson, to carry out an independent assessment of the property, and that the report was due to be finished soon with a view to putting the item to the November OMC.

5. Potential IHOs.

The committee discussed two properties which had recently been brought to the attention of Council staff by members of the community as potential Interim Heritage Orders. The committee were in favour of further information being prepared on the properties and for Council staff to contact individuals with specialty knowledge in the various forms of architecture considered.

6. Review of potential heritage items

The Committee revisited items raised in the last meeting as potential heritage items, following the circulation of additional information by staff. The committee discussed the items they supported and those which they still wanted further information or assessment to be done on.

7. Powell Street Heritage Conservation Area

A proposed new HCA was discussed with Committee members following a recent contact with a community member who felt her property and the surrounding properties were worthy of protection by a heritage conservation area. The committee were positive about the potential new Powell Street HCA and recommended more research be done into the heritage value of the area.

8. Other Business

a. Post-war Heritage Study RFQ

The Committee was informed of Council's intention to imminently conduct a study on Post-War Buildings in Ku-ring-gai, given the increasing threat to and inadequate protection of this period of development in the LGA. The committee was given an overview of the RFQ and some potential properties/architects' work to be explored.

b. Roseville Memorial Park

The Committee was informed that proposed upgrades to the Roseville Memorial Garden were being considered, and that engagement was scheduled with former members of the Roseville RSL Sub-branch. Council currently has funding available for such works, which will align well with the re-development of the club site and respect the important civic role of the park in conducting ANZAC Day and Remembrance Day ceremonies. It was noted that it would be favorable to improve the user-friendly nature of the park, which is well-frequented, given its central location near Roseville Station and near to several apartment complexes.

The meeting closed at 1.40 pm.

The next meeting is TBC (November 2020).