



MINUTES OF MEETING

Heritage and Local History Committee

HELD WEDNESDAY 7 MAY 2014

NOTE: All minutes are subject to confirmation at a subsequent Council or Planning and Strategy Committee meeting.

Councillors

Cllr Adele Heasman (Chairperson) Manly Council

Other Representatives

Terry Metherell	Community Member
Karen Norsa	Community Member
Dennis Sherris	Community Member
Luisa Manfredini	Community Member

Council Staff

Nayem Islam (NI)	Manager Land Use Planning
Louise Doherty (LD)	Heritage Advisor, Landuse & Sustainability
Sophie Butler (SB)	Heritage Advisor, Landuse & Sustainability

TO THE MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS OF THE COUNCIL

The Heritage and Local History Committee met on 7 May, 2014, to consider the matters referred to it and now provides the following advice to Council.

OPEN The meeting commenced at 8.30am

ITEM 1 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Apologies were received from: Mayor Jean Hay (ex officio), Cllr Bingham, Alan Yuille (Community Member), Jim Boyce (Community Member) and Melanie Fillios (Community Member)

It was noted that quorum is present.

ITEM 2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None declared

ACTION

ITEM 3	CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES	ACTION
	The minutes of the Committee meeting held 5 March 2013 were confirmed unanimously. Moved: T Metherell; seconded: L Manfredini Confirmation of DA's from previous DA sub-committee working group - 18 Raglan Street, Manly - DA19/2014 – No objection - 8 Cliff Street, Manly - DA 6/2014 – No objection - 5 Margaret Street, Manly - DA236/2012– No objection Moved: L Manfredini; seconded: D Sherris	
ITEM 4	MATTERS ARISING Council's Heritage Advisor Louise Doherty informed the Committee as per the Report on Matters Arising (Item 4). The Committee received the information with discussion as follows:	
4.1 ITEM 7 (NOV 2013)	Weeding Day at Cemetery It was noted that mowing is currently underway in the cemetery and that after this has been completed it may be feasible to organise the weeding day. The need for a protocol was discussed and it was suggested that Jenny Wilson at North Head Cemetery be contacted to see if she can provide information about how her group is run. It was also mentioned that the Ivanhoe committee might like to be involved in any weeding days and they should be invited to attend. A suggestion was made that bins be installed for volunteers to place weeds in, however, this was discounted due to the possibility of illegal dumping.	Cllr Heasman to follow up
4.2	Area/Curtilage of Field of Remembrance Further to last month's discussion the Committee expressed a desire to see if any member of the Mitchell (?) Family, who originally gifted the cenotaph, were still in the Manly area and if they would be interested in attending Anzac commemoration events later in the year.	

	Heritage/local history Information on Manly Council Website	ACTION
4.8 (5.2 MARCH 2013)	In March the Committee expressed an interest in requesting a drop down tab on the Manly Council website dedicated to Heritage/Local History. Mark Dennet is currently investigating options and seeking appropriate approval to make this change to the website.	MD to follow up
4.9 (5.5 MARCH 2013)	Parks and Gardens - Cultural Landscape The following verbal updates were provided to the committee: With regard to the recommendation from March 2013 that the <i>"...immature trees located within the beach reserve (between Ashburner Street and Denison Street be removed as soon as possible and replanted with Norfolk Island Pines to restore the iconic status as the starting place of an Australian wide use of a Norfolk Island pine as a signifier of a beachside suburb or town."</i> The following information was received from Fenton Beatty "Councils recent audit carried out in January February 2014 has recommendations for such trees to be replaced, a budget bid for 2014 /15 has been lodged to accommodate the implementation of the audit." given the amount of knowledge and research undertaken by <i>J Boyce, the external consultants should liaise/interview Mr Boyce as part of their scope of works</i> Fenton Beatty's response was that "Marcia Lambert from Forsci would be happy to discuss any information that Mr Boyce has produced." Further information pertaining to this meeting, prepared by J Boyce, was received by the chair prior to the meeting. The Chair met with Stephen Clements to respond to those issues and will follow up with J Boyce.	No Further Action
4.10 (5.6 MARCH 2013)	69 Pittwater Road LD tabled the report prepared by the applicant and noted that further information has been requested. The committee were not satisfied that the proposed relocation of fabric and interpretation strategy was a good outcome for the site and believe that the remnants should be left in situ and the new design located around it. The committee requested that legal advice be sought to determine whether any action can be taken with regards to the incorrect information presented by the applicant when applying for the DA	No Further Action LD to follow up regarding the street tree report. . Chair to follow up
4.11 (5.7 MARCH 2014)	2015 Manly Oval The committee were informed that the 2015 team will be commissioning an external consultant to prepare a Heritage Assessment for the Manly Oval site.	No further action

4.12 (5.8 MARCH 2014)	Signage at Whitehall, Dalwood Lodge and Brighton College LD presented original wording The committee recommended that John McRitchie check wording for historical accuracy Request Art Gallery provide artwork Surf City – Surf Australia be omitted from any signage LD also reported that the Brighton college plaques were not originally provided by Manly Council but by the old girls of Brighton College. The committee recommend that the replacement be undertaken by Manly Council.	ACTION
ITEM 5	- ADDITIONAL MATTERS RAISED WITH CHAIR	ACTION
5.1	Stolen Bronze Busts K Norsa requested an update on the bronze busts stolen from the west esplanade. Cllr Heasman informed the committee that they are to be replaced with resin alternatives by Council.	No further action
5.2	Kangaroo Statue K Norsa noted that the area surrounding the Kangaroo Statue requires cleaning. Requested some regular clean-up for the area. The lack of directional signage to the statue was discussed. However, the committee decided that this may be intentional as the statue is located near the cliff edge and may pose a safety risk.	Staff to action
5.3	Gun in Gilbert Park The committee discussed the successful repair of the Gun and “welcome back” ceremony. L Doherty mentioned that the project was being out forward for consideration for an award. The Committee requested that Thank you letters be sent to the SHFA volunteers who repaired the gun and the depot staff who undertook the transportation.	Staff to action
5.4	Heritage Festival The committee discussed the Heritage Festival. The events were well attended and thanks was given to Luisa Manfredini, Karen Norsa and Jim Boyce for organising events.	No further action
5.5	Terms of reference The committee was asked to consider changes to the Terms of reference to include an additional sentence regarding the role of the Committee and definitions of Local History and Heritage.	Staff to action
5.6	Manly Oval Photographs D Sherris mentioned that he had donated a couple of pictures to John McRitchie of sporting teams at Manly Oval. He mentioned that they showed the buildings behind.	LD to contact JM to check availability of the images.
5.7	Leave of Absence T Metherell sought a leave of absence from the July and September meetings due to upcoming overseas travel.	

ITEM 6 NEXT MEETING DATE:
Date: 2 Jul 2014
Time: 8.30am
Venue: Town Hall, Councillors Room

Meeting closed at 10.30am