



MINUTES OF MEETING

Heritage and Local History Committee

HELD WEDNESDAY 1 July 2015

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

Councillors

Cllr Adele Heasman (Chairperson)	Manly Council
Cllr Candy Bingham	Manly Council
Cllr Hugh Burns	Manly Council

Other Representatives

Terry Metherell	Community Member
Melanie Filios	Community Member
Luisa Manfredini	Community Member

Council Staff

Nayeem Islam (NI)	Manager Land Use Planning
Louise Doherty (LD)	Heritage Advisor, Landuse & Sustainability

TO THE MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS OF THE COUNCIL

The Heritage and Local History Committee met on 1 July, 2015, 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), Jim Boyce (Community Member), Alan Yuille (Community Member).and Denis Sherris (Community Member).

Prior to the meeting, Karen Norsa (Community Member) tendered her written resignation from the Committee. The committee acknowledged her resignation and conveyed their thanks for her participation on the committee and wished her well for her future plans.

It was noted that quorum is present.

ITEM 2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None declared

ACTION

ITEM 3	CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES The minutes of the Committee meeting held on 6 May 2015 were confirmed. Moved: Luisa Manfredini; seconded: Cllr C Bingham	ACTION
ITEM 4	Confirmation of DA's from previous DA sub-committee working group: • 15 Denison Street • 28/129 Bower Street • 142 Pittwater Road These items have been noted by the sub-committee.	
ITEM 5	MATTERS ARISING Council's Heritage Advisor Louise Doherty (LD) informed the Committee as per the Report on Matters Arising (Item 4). The Committee received the information with discussion as follows:	
5.1	Weeding Day at Cemetery The committee discussed the weeding day at the cemetery and noted the ongoing issue of owners consent. The committee considered that one solution was to commence weeding on Council owned land. Recommendation Council to liaise with precinct representatives with the desired outcome of commencing weeding of Council owned land. Moved: Luisa Manfredini; seconded: Cllr H Burns	
5.2 (5.6 MARCH 2013)	69 Pittwater Road - update Heritage Advisor, Louise Doherty informed the committee that since the last update to the committee that a staff member from the Heritage Division has contacted Council asking for further information. Council's Heritage Advisor, Louise Doherty informed the committee that a copy of the independent report has still not been forwarded to Manly Council for review. Recommendation: The committee resolved that a letter regarding a request for an update from the Minister stressing the urgency of the issue and detailing the concern of the committee for the vulnerable extant fabric. Moved: Terry Metherell; seconded: Cllr H Burns	

5.3 (5.1 NOV 2014)	Proposed Manly Ocean and Harbour Foreshore Heritage Study Further to last meetings recommendation that SB peruse other funding options, SB has attempted to ascertain if the recent Manly Council budget includes an allocation for the Manly Council component of the proposed <i>Manly Ocean and Harbour Foreshore Heritage Study</i> , however has not been about to confirm if this has happened. In the meantime, she has approached the Heritage Officer at Roads and Maritime Services in order gauge the level of interest in undertaking the project as a jointly funded study. He indicated that this may be possible, and that he would raise the matter with the appropriate section of RMS. SB is awaiting a formal response to this request.	ACTION Staff to follow up.
5.4 (7 NOV 2014)	Potential heritage listing – 38 Cliff Street, Manly Terry Metherell updated the committee on the recent sale of 38 Cliff Street. The committee notes that they have an ongoing heritage interest regarding the preservation of this property.	
5.5 (6.1 Mar 2015)	Ordinary Meeting resolution 2015 - Notice of motion Report No.2 Commissioning of a book on History of Manly Council Heritage Advisor, Louise Doherty reported to the committee that she had forwarded the report to Cllr Griffin as per the previous meeting recommendation. The committee resolves that the report be sent to Council for their consideration. Recommendation: The committee notes that the potential timeframe involved and costs of engaging a professional librarian may be prohibitive and suggests a number of potential alternatives for Councils consideration: 1. engage a student from the Sydney University Masters of Heritage to prepare the report. 2. Undertake the project as an in-house project lead by the Local Studies librarian, or other suitably qualified member of staff. Potential resources could include: a. Budget allocation b. Team members c. Volunteers d. A working group comprising of members of the Heritage and Local History Advisory Committee. 3. Gauge the interest of local non-professional historians. Moved: Cllr A Heasman; seconded: Cllr C Bingham	IBM

5.6 (8.1 Mar 2015)	Cutler Road Signage The Cutler Road signage was presented to the committee. The Committee raised concerns regarding the historical accuracy and cultural sensitivities of the present wording of the plaque. Recommendation: The committee recommends that it be reviewed by the local studies librarian and returned to the Committee for review. Moved: Terry Metherell; seconded: Cllr H Burns	GM
5.7 (8.2 Mar 2015)	Former school of artillery - lack of signage and interpretation relaying the history of the place (Jim Boyce) Heritage Advisor, Louise Doherty updated the committee that Jim Boyce intends to have a meeting with the chair of the Sydney Harbour Federation Trust.	No further action
5.8 (8.4 Mar 2015)	Iconic Graves Repairs Further to the last meeting LD presented a report to the committee regarding Trinity Bay's gravesite and the ongoing management of the tree and the grave. Recommendation The Committee recommended that the tree and grave continue to be monitored but no invasive action be undertaken at this time. Moved: Terry Metherell; seconded: Cllr H Burns The committee also noted that several other graves have fallen into a state of disrepair and that works should be undertaken to improve their condition and appearance. Recommendation It is recommended that for the next year's budget a broader strategy of grave repair be undertaken and that a subcommittee be formed to undertake a survey of the graveyard and put forward a list of 10 graves for repair. Moved: Cllr A Heasman; seconded: Luisa Manfredini	

5.9 (8.4 Mar 2015)	150 Year anniversary of the consecration of the cemetery Luisa Manfredini reported that the Ivanhoe Precinct committee had discussed the 150 Year anniversary of the consecration of the cemetery and suggested a range of events that could be arranged to commemorate this time. Recommendation The committee recommends that Council endorses the Ivanhoe Precinct plans to commemorate the 150th year anniversary of the cemetery which include but are not limited to: - Request a local (religious) minister to undertake a blessing/ceremony of the place - Repair the consecration stone - Invite the local member to attend the ceremony - Install an information plaque with maps - Undertake a walking tour of ceremony - Refreshments to follow the ceremony Moved: Luisa Manfredini; seconded: Cllr C Bingham	GM
ITEM 6	Inventory Sheets for items of Environmental Heritage	
6.1	Inventory Sheets for items of Environmental Heritage No Inventory sheets were presented to the committee at the meeting as several had been forwarded in the previous week. LD requested a change in the schedule of forwarding the inventory sheets and that they be sent in the months between the Heritage and local history advisory committee meetings. The committee members would then have a two week period in which they could return any suggested amendments. The committee agreed to this change of schedule.	
ITEM 7	ADDITIONAL GENERAL BUSINESS:	Staff to follow up.
7.1	20 Fairy Bower Terry Metherell brought to the committee's attention of No. 20 Fairy Bower Road which is a building containing four (4) apartments and is currently up for sale. The Fairy bower Streetscape is considered to be relatively intact.	
7.2	Manly Wharf Colour Scheme Cllr Burns noted that the wharf currently appears to be being repainted and questions whether the colour is appropriate.	
ITEM 8	NEXT MEETING DATE: Date: 2 September 2015 Time: 8.30am Venue: Town Hall, Councillors Room	Staff to follow up.
	Meeting closed at 10.20am	