



MINUTES OF MEETING

Heritage and Local History Committee

HELD WEDNESDAY 4 MARCH 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 (Left 10.00am)
Cllr Hugh Burns	Manly Council

Other Representatives

Alan Yuille	Community Member
Jim Boyce	Community Member
Melanie Fillios	Community Member (arrived 8.45am)
Dennis Sherris	Community Member
Luisa Manfredini	Community Member
Karen Norsa	Community Member (left 9.20am)

Council Staff

Nayeem 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 4 March, 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), and Terry Metherell (Community Member).

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 5 November 2014 were confirmed unanimously. Moved: Cllr C Bingham; seconded: Denis Sherris	ACTION
ITEM 4	Confirmation of DA's from previous DA sub-committee working group - 120-122 Condamine Street, Balgowlah - 107 Pittwater Road, Manly - 129 Bower Street, Manly - 22 Wentworth Street, Manly Moved: Cllr A Heasman; seconded: Alan Yuille	
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 (4.5 SEP 2014)	Moveable Heritage Register Heritage Advisor, Landuse & Sustainability, updated the committee regarding her discussion with John MacRitchie, Council's Local Studies advisor, Manly Library regarding existing registers both of Council organisations and privately held collections. John MacRitchie advised that Library, Museum and MEC all have existing databases and that it would be difficult to combine them as they have different needs. John does have a database of different organisations in Manly and he sends out a request for information each year to the members in the Database. Community member, Jim Boyce raised the matter of the Rugby Club and requested clarification as to who is the designated archivist at the club. Community member, Melanie Fillios informed the committee that Sydney University had introduced a new Masters course in Museum and Heritage Studies and that it may be possible to source interns from this course to help maintain a register.	Staff to Follow up
5.2 ITEM 7 (NOV 2013)	Weeding Day at Cemetery Cllr Heasman advised that the Anglican Church and Catholic Church, have not as yet responded to Manly Council's request for permission for volunteers to the undertake maintenance at the site. However Cllr Heasman believes that a Maintenance Day is being organised between Cemetery Friends, Ivanhoe Park Volunteers and Beth Lawson. Recommendation: The committee seeks to ascertain the ownership and responsibly of the cemetery.	

ITEM 6	Report Additional Matters	ACTION
6.1	Ordinary Meeting resolution 2015 - Notice of motion Report No.2 Commissioning of a book on History of Manly Council Council at its ordinary meeting of 9 February 2015 resolved as follows: <i>“That:</i> <i>1. Manly Council refer to the Heritage Committee the proposal to commission a book on the history of Manly council to be completed ideally by September 2016; and</i> <i>2. The Committee consider the Terms of Reference, options for funding and publishing and report back to Council for further consideration and to proceed to Call for Expressions of Interest”</i> The committee discussed the proposal to commission a book on the History of Manly Council. The committee was directed to consider the Terms of Reference, options for funding and publishing Jim Boyce is opposed to the book as he believes the money would be better spent updating the 1986 Heritage Report and identifying the thematic history and themes of Manly.	
	Recommendation: The committee recommends to the General Manager that: - Council's Local Studies advisor, John MacRitchie undertake further research regarding potential authors for the book, preferably with experience in the preparation of local government histories. - The book should focus on significant people, events and decisions in the history of Manly Council. - The book should be written chronologically in 10 year blocks. - A subcommittee is to be formed to liaise with author and further investigate print on demand [like Sydney University] - Council considers funding for updating the 1986 Heritage study, Environmental history and Thematic History and be returned to the committee for consideration.	GM GM
6.2	Discussion regarding nominations for inclusion on Iconic Graves register LD apprised the committee on the process for adding items to the Iconic Graves Register and advised them that an application should be anticipated in the coming months	No further action

ITEM 7	Inventory Sheets for items of Environmental Heritage	ACTION
7.1	Inventory Sheets for items of Environmental Heritage At the Committees request the following draft inventory sheets were forwarded to them: • 11 Victoria Parade, Manly • 129 Bower Street, Manly • 2 Boyle Street, Balgowlah • 33-45 Boyle Street, Balgowlah • 30 Alexandra Street, Manly • 37 White Street, Manly • 107 Pittwater Road, Manly Cllr Heasman requested that the committee should e-mail any amendments to the secretariat (deadline two weeks from the meeting; 18 March 2015) SB informed the committee that we have received access to the NSW State inventory database and that a demonstration of the new system will be arranged for the next meeting	Staff to Follow up
ITEM 8	ADDITIONAL GENERAL BUSINESS:	
8.1	Cutler Road Signage Cllr Bingham informed the committee of the resolution from Council's planning and strategy meeting regarding the proposed signage to the public open space below Cutler Road near Grotto Point. Recommendation: The Committee recommends to the General Manager that: The matter be referred to Council's Local Studies to clarify history and prepare the wording of the proposed signage. Moved: Cllr C Bingham; seconded: Cllr A Heasman	Staff to Follow up GM
8.2	Former school of artillery - lack of signage and interpretation relaying the history of the place (Jim Boyce) Community member Jim Boyce raised concerns that the former school of artillery has no map showing the extent of the heritage item or identifying the buildings. Cllr Heasman suggested that he contact The Mayor, Jean Hay and request access to that information as the property is a SHFT site and she is on the committee. Community member Dennis Sherris noted that the Executive Director of SHFT, Geoff Bailey, is visiting the site next week and perhaps those questions could be put to him directly by Mr Boyce during a public meeting.	

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Time: 8.30am

Venue: Town Hall, Councillors Room

Meeting closed at 10.50am