



MINUTES OF MEETING

Heritage and Local History Committee

HELD WEDNESDAY 6 MAY 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
Terry Metherell	Community Member
Dennis Sherris	Community Member
Luisa Manfredini	Community Member

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 6 May, 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 Melanie Filios (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 on 5 March 2015 were confirmed on the proviso that the following amendments were noted: Item 7.1 Should read Alexander Street not Alexandra Street. Item 8.2 Geoff Bailey was to have a meeting at SHFT Headquarters with SHFT volunteers not the former School of Artillery as noted in the previous minutes. Moved: Cllr C Bingham; seconded: Denis Sherris	
ITEM 4	Confirmation of DA's from previous DA sub-committee working group - 97 Addison Road, Manly - 4 Thorton Street, Fairlight - 7 Quinton Road, Manly 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 (4.5 SEP 2014)	Moveable Heritage Register In response to the previous query raised by Jim Boyce regarding the name of the designated archivist at the Rugby Club LD advised that John McRitchie had forwarded the following information: "To the best of my knowledge, this would be Sean Rout, who is the club's Honorary Historian".	
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. Cllr Heasman reiterated that Beth Lawson is still trying to work through the matter to ensure that the volunteers would be permitted to work on the site. Jim Boyce identified that the cemetery has a Conservation Management Plan and that all works should be carried out in accordance with that plan.	Cllr Heasman to follow up
5.3 (5.6 MARCH 2013)	69 Pittwater Road - update The Heritage Division on 13th April 2015 advised as follows: <i>"The Heritage Division received a draft report from the Consultant and the Division provided comment back to the Consultant to allow the document to be finalised. At the moment, final report has not been received. When the final report is received, the findings will be put straight to the new Minister to determine the future direction of the IHO and any potential listing"</i>.	ACTION

5.4 (5.8 MARCH 2014)	Signage Brighton College, Jenkins Road and Kay-Ye-My Point The committee was advised that the signs at Brighton College and Kay-Ye-My Point will be installed in the next fortnight. The committee requested that the map indicating the locations of the signs be forwarded to the precinct co-ordinator for the information of the precinct forum and also advising that the signs will be erected shortly.	No further action
5.5 (5.1 NOV 2014)	Proposed Manly Ocean and Harbour Foreshore Heritage Study Sophie Butler (SB) informed the committee that the funding request had been rejected by the Minister. SB was asked by Cllr Heasman whether she would resubmit the request for the next round of funding. SB confirmed that she would but stated that it was a bi-annual process. Cllr Burns asked Nayeem Islam (NI) if this work was a priority. NI stated that it was as it is causing issues for people and making applicants ineligible for the Complying Development process. Cllr Heasman questioned whether Council funds had been allocated for this project and stated that she would seek advice on this matter. The committee recommended that SB reapply but peruse other funding options in the meantime.	Cllr Heasman to follow up Staff to follow up
5.6 (7 NOV 2014)	Potential heritage listing – 38 Cliff Street, Manly Terry Metherell (Community Member) believes that the current owners of 38 Cliff Street may be amenable to heritage listing their property and will contact them to progress the matter.	TM to follow up
5.7 (6.1 Mar 2015)	Ordinary Meeting resolution 2015 - Notice of motion Report No.2 Commissioning of a book on History of Manly Council LD prepared a report regarding the requirements of engaging a historian. The committee recommended that the report be sent to Cathy Griffin and that the words “10 year blocks” be removed from the previous recommendations.	Staff to follow up
5.8 (8.1 Mar 2015)	Cutler Road Signage The committee was informed that the General Managers Unit (GMU) is looking after the installation of the Cutler Road signage. The committee was further advised that the wording for the signage had been forwarded to the GMU for consideration and action. Cllr Bingham requested that a copy of the approved wording is made available to all the Councillors of the committee.	Staff to follow up with Kathy Fuller of GMU

5.9 (8.2 Mar 2015)	Former school of artillery - lack of signage and interpretation relaying the history of the place (Jim Boyce) LD made available copies of <i>The Plan: Sydney Harbour Federation Trust</i> 2003 and the <i>Management Plan – North Head Sanctuary</i> Sydney Harbour Federation Trust 2011.	No further action	
5.10 (8.4 Mar 2015)	Iconic Graves Repairs LD presented a report to the committee regarding the site inspection, condition assessment and scope of works for the repair of the Iconic Graves. This has been forwarded to the Stone Masons to facilitate the next round of the repairs. The committee raised concerns about the Trinity Bay Aboriginal gravesite. They requested that Council Officers firstly obtain the fact sheet prepared by John MacRitchie and arrange a visit of the grave with David Watts, Manager AHO to discuss suitable measures regarding the ongoing future management of this grave.		Staff to follow up
5.11 (8.4 Mar 2015)	150 Year anniversary of the consecration of the cemetery The committee 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. NI advised that the heritage committee could not arrange these types of events and that they should be coordinated through Council's Events team. Recommendation The committee requests the (General Manager) GM to consider that: - the 150 year anniversary of the consecration of the cemetery is recognised and commemorated.		Staff to Follow up
ITEM 6	Inventory Sheets for items of Environmental Heritage		
6.1	Inventory Sheets for items of Environmental Heritage At the request of the Committee, the following draft inventory sheets will be forwarded to them: • 8 Stuart Street, Manly • Edinboro, 279 Sydney Road, Balgowlah • Manly Fire Station, 128 Sydney Road, Fairlight • 15-17 Pittwater Road, Manly • 9 Osborne Road, Manly • 12 Oyama Street, Manly • 13 Victoria Parade, Manly Cllr Heasman requested that the committee members e-mail any amendments to the secretariat (deadline two weeks from receipt of inventory sheets). The committee commended Council's heritage staff for their quality and professionalism on the inventory sheets completed to date. The committee also noted that staff should look into funding for an external consultant to help complete the rest of the inventory sheets, preferably someone who is passionate about Manly and willing to work two days a week.	Staff to Follow up	

ITEM 8 ADDITIONAL GENERAL BUSINESS:

8.1 Manly Museum

Terry Metherell sought assurance from the GM that the rumour regarding the proposed closure of the Museum was incorrect. Terry Metherell reported that the GM had contacted him and assured him that the Museum was not to be closed and that the entire building is proposed to be renovated and the gallery space increased.

That the Heritage Committee welcomes Councils assurances that there are no plans to close or relocate the Manly Museum and that it will remain an integral part of the Manly Art Gallery and Museum.

8.2 Cemetery Signage

Jim Boyce identified that the signs at the Harland Street and Hill Street entrances to the cemetery are out of date

Staff to follow up

8.3 Robey Grave

The committee received an application to include the Robey family grave on the Iconic Graves register. The committee reviewed the provided documentation and recommended that the grave be added to the Iconic Graves register.

Staff to follow up

ITEM 9 Grant Applications

9.1 West street

The committee reviewed the documentation supplied by the applicant and agreed that the maintenance to this property demonstrated outstanding quality and workmanship. The committee also recommended that the owner should be commended for their efforts to the protection of the heritage values of the place.

However, further to last month's discussion of this issue the committee revisited the policy document regarding the grant and determined that as the property is not currently listed they are not currently able to issue a grant for the works.

The committee was very impressed with the level of intact heritage material and would encourage the owners to seek to commence the process for seeking heritage listing.

The committee also discussed the possibility of undertaking a review of the eligibility of the grant to include buildings currently being considered for Heritage listing and the potential to award smaller grants for non-listed heritage items.

9.2 Cameron Avenue

The committee was impressed with the applicants attention to detail and in view of the extra effort recommended the awarding of a grant of \$2000.00

ITEM 10 NEXT MEETING DATE:

Date: 1 July 2015

Time: 8.30am

Venue: Town Hall, Councillors Room

Meeting closed at 10.50am