

# Minutes of the Extraordinary Cumberland Heritage Committee Meeting

Sanders Room at the Auburn Service Centre, 1 Susan Street, Auburn.

Tuesday, 11 June 2019.

**Start time: 6.00 pm**

## Attendance

### *Heritage Committee Community Members:*

<b>Name</b>	<b>In Attendance (Yes/No)</b>
Edmund Beebe (EB)	Yes
Reno Magro (RM)	Yes
Filomena Molinaro (FM)	Yes
Josephine Moncrieff (JM)	No
Julie Nixon (JN)	No – Apology provided
Janaki Paudel (JP)	No
Cecilia Peralta (CP)	Yes
Greg Skelly (GS)	No – Apology provided
Kerryn Stanton (KS)	Yes
Dorothy Warwick (DW)	Yes

### *Councillors:*

<b>Name</b>	<b>In Attendance (Yes/No)</b>
Clr. Garrard (Chair)	No
Clr. Lake	No – Apology provided
Clr. Campbell	Yes

### *Council Staff:*

<b>Name</b>	<b>In Attendance (Yes/No)</b>
Monica Cologna (MC)	Yes
Neelam Pradhananga (NP)	Yes
Karen Hughes (KH)	Yes

### *Council Heritage Advisor:*

<b>Name</b>	<b>In Attendance (Yes/No)</b>
Ron Edgar – FORM Architects (RE)	Yes

### *Guests*

<b>Name</b>	<b>In Attendance (Yes/No)</b>
Corinne Softley (CS), Team Leader Heritage Places, Extent Heritage	Yes
Eleanor Banaag (EB), Team Leader Heritage Places, Extent Heritage	Yes

## **Item 1: Report – Cumberland Heritage Study**

CS and EB of Extent Heritage provided the Cumberland Local Heritage Committee (Committee) a handout on the Cumberland Heritage Study, and provided an update on the following:

- An overview of the project to date, how many items have been assessed and information from these assessments
- Potential heritage items identified for de-listing, to date
- Potential heritage items identified for potential State Heritage Register nomination, to date
- Potential heritage items which could potentially be consolidated into single listings

Extent Heritage requested the Committee to review the handout and provide feedback by COB, 25 June 2019.

### **Discussion**

#### a) Overview of project to date

- Extent Heritage has visited 350 items, reviewed 211 listing sheets, 147 items under consideration

#### b) Potential heritage items identified for de-listing

- **Lea's Temperance Hall (former) – 24 Mary Street, Auburn**

Extent Heritage to provide some recommendations on what interpretation Council could look at – with a focus on the public domain, i.e. footpath to commemorate its social and historic significance. First Auburn meeting should be recorded (plaque like the Fullagar Road Precinct). Suggestions from the Committee that it would be good to consider the merit of the historical aspect of the building on its own even though the built fabric is recent and does not relate to its history. Extent Heritage to check Sydney Water plan for more information.

- **Conjoined Residences - 36 and 38 Jamieson St, Granville**

EB asked for some more photos. Extent Heritage can provide.

- **Granville RSL Club – 5 Memorial Drive, Granville**

RE and EB both indicated the RSL is an iconic building and has architectural significance (seminal work of Fox and Richardson). RE noted that it is an iconic building that enhances Granville's character. EB indicated that some of the rooms inside are intact. There will be some more information available on the Institute of Architects 20<sup>th</sup> Century List/potentially on the National Trust listing as well.

- **William Street Cottages Group - 10 William St, Granville**

Discussed in detail as part of Agenda Item 2.

- **Conjoined Residences – 9-11 Woodville Road, Granville**

RE feels modifications may be able to be reversed, date may also be earlier than the estimated 1880s. Consider use of word 'streetscape' as properties

along Woodville Road may not have aesthetic value but could have high historical value as markers of development.

- **Guildford Railway Station – Great Southern Railway**

Clr. Campbell asked whether Sydney Trains could consider displaying some photographs of the original station as interpretative elements at the station.

- **Millmaster Feeds Site – 1-7 Neil Street, Merrylands**

Check status of DA and DA conditions. RE indicated there was extensive archaeological investigation of the site before demolition and a requirement for interpretation strategy. Archaeological survey above the ground as part of the Development Application, which noted that there was potential for buried archaeology. Could mostly be foundation for earlier buildings. Interpretation strategy was a condition of consent. Delisting could potentially encourage reversal of consent. Check DA conditions.

- **Fullagar Road Conservation Area – Wentworthville**

Extent outlined two options for this group – remove conservation area and list as a group or retain and extend conservation area boundary to street and adjacent properties (this would be part of Stage 2). HC concerned about loss of conservation area. RE and EB to consider options for this site.

c) Potential Sites for State Heritage Listing

- **“Carrington”, Victorian Italianate residence and grounds – 8 Ledger Road, Merrylands**

DW suggested property adjacent to Carrington for further investigation.

- **“Sherwood Scrubs”, residence and service wing, summer house, garden, setting and outbuildings – 102 Kenyons Road (also known as 74 Sherwood Road), Merrylands West**

RE recommended contacting Jennifer Hill for further information to understand how that proposed State heritage listing could look/work.

- Extent Heritage to provide a priority list for potential State Heritage Listing.

### **Item 1: Actions**

- The Committee to review the handout on the Cumberland Heritage Study and provide feedback by COB, 25 June 2019.
- Extent Heritage to send an updated handout with more photos.
- Report to Council that the Committee recommended nominations from the public for potential new heritage items for consideration during the second stage of the Cumberland Heritage Study.

### **Item 2: Report – Planning Proposal Request for 2-22 William Street, Granville**

CS and EB of Extent Heritage provided the Committee an update on the heritage assessment undertaken for 10 William Street, Granville as part of the planning proposal request for 2-22 William Street, Granville.

In response to discussion by Committee members, Extent Heritage explained that there are a number of significantly finer examples of this type of heritage in the vicinity of this location. No objection was raised.

**Item 2: Actions**

- Report to Council for decision.

**Item 3: Report - Lidcombe Police Station**

The report provided the Committee an update on the current condition of the former Lidcombe Police Station in response to concerns raised by the Auburn Heritage Sub-Committee nominees.

Council will issue the developer orders to undertake required repairs and remove overgrown vegetation and other accumulated items.

The issue of the damaged perimeter wall was raised. Feedback to be obtained from the DA and compliance team whether Council can require the perimeter wall to be reinstated/repared.

**Item 3: Actions**

- As per recommendation and ask compliance/ DA teams whether Council can require the wall to be reinstated/repared.
- Seek advice from Council's Compliance officers as to whether Council can require the owner to provide general protection and securing of the heritage fabric to the rear of the building where the cell doors are located.
- Recommend including "like for like" in the order Council issues relating to the repair of the gutters, down pipes and roof tiles.

**Item 4: Report – Lidcombe Post Office**

The report provided the Committee an update on the current condition of the former Lidcombe Post Office in response to concerns raised by the Auburn Heritage Sub-Committee nominees.

Council will issue the developer orders to undertake required repairs and remove overgrown vegetation.

Once the order has been issued, Council could undertake an inspection annually to ensure building is kept in a compliant standard.

There was brief discussion of whether building could be purchased by Council. Council staff clarified that contributions funds could not be used for this purpose.

RE mentioned transferrable development rights. Council staff noted that there is no provision currently, however this could be investigated in the longer term.

**Item 4: Actions**

- As per recommendation.

### **Item 5: Report – Establishment of a Granville Heritage Precinct**

The report provided the Committee an update on the Notice of Motion to seek a report on the establishment of a 'Granville Heritage Precinct' within the environs of the existing Granville Neighbourhoods.

#### **Discussion**

RE suggested that the intent of the heritage precinct may be more akin to a character area with EB noting this could be interpreted through public domain/heritage interpretation works, e.g. signage.

It was noted that the Community Development team will be informed of the Committee's interest in the Heritage Centre and recommend they contact Committee members at the appropriate time.

#### **Item 5: Actions**

- Report to Council that the Committee recommended that Extent Heritage specifically consider the establishment of a consolidated 'Granville Heritage Precinct' as part of Stage 2 of the Cumberland Heritage Study; and for the outcomes to be presented to Council with a recommendation for appropriate action, following completion of Stage 2 of the Cumberland Heritage Study.
- Strategic Planning to inform Community Development about the Committee's interest in the Heritage Centre and recommend Committee members be contacted at an appropriate time.

#### **Item 8: Other Matters**

- None

#### **Item 9: Next Meeting**

The next meeting for the Cumberland Heritage Committee will take place on **Tuesday, 2 July 2019** at the Merrylands Service Centre. A site visit of Cumberland Local Heritage Awards Nominations is likely to take place from 4.00pm to 6.00pm followed by the meeting from 6.30pm to 9.00pm. The bus for the site visit will depart from the Merrylands Service Centre.

Heritage Awards entries and Rebate applications will be sent to the Heritage Committee for review prior to the meeting

Further details will be emailed to the Committee closer to the date.

The meeting closed at 8.20 pm.