



Heritage Advisory Committee

Minutes

23 August 2018

**6.30PM
Camden Council
Administration Centre
70 Central Avenue, Oran Park**

PRESENT

Councillor C Cagney (Chairperson), Councillor Farrow (Alternate), Ian McIntosh, Michael Kennedy, Laura Jane Aulsebrook, Glenda Chalker, Dr Ian Willis.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Manager Strategic Planning, Manager Governance and Risk, Team Leader Land Use Planning, Governance Officer – Panel and Committees (Committee Secretary).

APOLOGIES

Councillor Campbell.

WELCOME TO COUNTRY

Glenda Chalker acknowledged the traditional lands of the Dharawal people.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Councillor C Cagney read the acknowledgment of country by Jonathan Hill:

“Today we stand in the footsteps of millennia old. May we acknowledge the traditional owners whose cultures and customs have nurtured, and continue to nurture, this land, since men and women awoke from the great dream. We honour the presence of these ancestors who reside in the imagination of this land and whose irrepressible spirituality flows through all creation.”

DISCUSSION POINTS

- The committee discussed the agenda and the frequency of meetings and determined that the committee will meet at least once a quarter, or as the need arises.
- The committee discussed the purpose of the committee and advised they would like to develop into a strong committee that has a voice and can give advice on heritage-related matters that go to Council. Dr Willis raised the importance of an understanding of what ‘heritage’ is and there was discussion that this should include built form and Aboriginal heritage.
 - **Action:** Dr Willis to provide to the Governance Officer - Panel and Committees a draft 500 word policy statement on the committee’s definition of heritage via email for circulation to the committee.
- Discussions were held in relation to the committee receiving information from Council that the committee may like to make comment or provide advice on. Manager Strategic Planning advised policies that will potentially affect heritage will be brought to the committee for comment.
 - **Action:** The Manager Strategic Planning to discuss with the Director of Planning and Environment and the Manager of Statutory Planning on how development applications and policies with potential heritage impacts may be brought forward to the committee for comment.
- The committee discussed what areas of heritage they would like to focus on and what they can do for the community.

- **Action:** The Manager Strategic Planning to provide to the committee, at the next meeting, a list of state and national heritage listings for the Camden Local Government Area and, from the Office of Environment and Heritage, any opportunity for potential grants.
- **Action:** The Manager Strategic Planning to provide a briefing to the committee at the next meeting on what will be happening with the Camden Local Environment Plan (LEP) and Development Control Plan (DCP) over the next 6 months.
- The committee discussed the objectives as per the committee's terms of reference, which included the development of a register of local heritage professionals and tradespeople, as an information service, participation in events such as the annual National Trust Heritage Festival and investigating opportunities for Council run awards/recognition in response to good heritage work.
- The committee discussed the promotion of the committee to the community via the Heritage Advisory Committee page on Council's website.
 - **Action:** Governance Officer – Panel and Committees to organise a generic email address for the committee and to investigate the possibility of a link to the heritage information on Camden's Library website be included on the Heritage Advisory Committee's page on Council's website.

ADDITIONAL ACTION ITEM

- Dr Willis to send links to his blog (History Notes) and the summary items on heritage listed items in the Camden LGA to the committee.

NEXT MEETING

- **Action:** The committee has requested the following items be included on the meeting agenda:
 - How do we generate a greater understanding and appreciation of aboriginal heritage in the Camden Local Government Area (LGA)?
 - Glenda Chalker to provide an overview to the committee of the new heritage Aboriginal reforms.
 - Options on providing the heritage lists contained with the LEP somewhere more accessible to the public.
 - Briefing on the LEP and Development Control Plan (DCP).
 - Options for a Residential Style Guide.
- **Action:** A tentative meeting date of 11 October 2018 was proposed, to be confirmed after the Manager Strategic Planning sends out the heritage lists and grant information to the committee and once the committee has reviewed the information.

MEETING CLOSED AT 7.35PM