

MINUTES OF HERITAGE REFERENCE COMMITTEE HELD ON THURSDAY, 6 JUNE 2024

Present: Councillor K Wheatley (Chairperson) (Wahroonga Ward)
Councillor S Lennon (Deputy Chairperson) (Gordon Ward)
Ms Lorna Watt – Ku-ring-gai Historical Society
Ms Margaret Skilbeck – Australian Institute of Architects
Ms Zeny Edwards – Local Historian and Community Member
Mr Chris Bluett- Community Member

Staff Present: Director Strategy and Environment (Andrew Watson)
Manager Urban & Heritage Planning (Antony Fabbro)
Heritage Specialist Planner (Claudine Loffi)
Heritage Research Assistant (Kerrily Sullivan)
Heritage Consultant (Vanessa Holtham)

Others Present: N/A

Apologies: Mr Robert Moore – National Trust

The Meeting commenced at 12:30 PM

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Non-pecuniary non-significant interests were declared for the following agenda items and individuals, who did not participate in the consideration of these matters:

GB.1.7 – 13 Kalang Ave, Killara, State Heritage Register listing curtilage – Zeny Edwards, Lorna Watt, Vanessa Holtham.

GB.2 – Eryldene, 17 McIntosh St, Gordon, grant application – Chris Bluett, Simon Lennon.

MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

NOTING OF MINUTES

Minutes of Heritage Reference Committee

File: CY00413/12

RESOLVED

The Committee noted the adopted minutes from the meeting of 1 February 2024.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Before commencement of the agenda items, the contribution of the late Jennifer Harvey was acknowledged and condolences expressed to her family. The Committee observed a standing minute of silence.

General business

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GB.1.1 – Apologies and membership – The new AIA representative Margaret Skilbeck was welcomed and outgoing member Michael Gunn thanked for his service.

GB.1.2 - Housing TOD SEPP – The SEPP was discussed. A report was tabled named “Preliminary Heritage Assessment: 23 heritage conservation areas of Gordon, Killara, Lindfield and Roseville” dated June 2024. The Committee noted the report was finalised following the agenda and circulated separately by email. The Committee discussed the report recommendations, issues and next steps.

GB.1.3 - Pymble Town Hall – The Committee noted and discussed the presentation by Vanessa Holtham on images of the works and issues, with details of an inspection to be confirmed following the meeting. The Committee generally supports the works and encourages consideration of internal paint maintenance.

GB.1.4 - Tulkiyan – The Committee noted an Integrated Development Application for access upgrades are under assessment by Heritage NSW and Council’s development team.

GB.1.5 - Council’s heritage colours guideline – The Committee noted and commended the completed guideline.

GB.1.6 - Awards – The Committee noted the outcome and Council’s following action to prepare a letter seeking a new award category to recognise planning and policy.

GB.1.7 - Listing requests – The Committee discussed and noted the community request for 13 Kalang Ave, Killara, state curtilage to be resolved by Heritage NSW.

GB.1.8 - For 17A Edward St, Gordon, following an IHO and consultation, the Committee noted Council’s decision to list the property as a heritage item.

RESOLVED

1. That the Heritage Reference Committee receive and note this report.
2. In relation to the housing TOD SEPP, that the Heritage Reference Committee recommend that Council request the Minister for Heritage make an Interim Heritage Order for the land of 23 heritage conservation areas subject to the TOD SEPP while their significance is assessed, as set out in the “Preliminary Heritage Assessment: 23 heritage conservation areas of Gordon, Killara, Lindfield and Roseville” dated June 2024.

Heritage Home Grants 2024/25

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The Committee considered and discussed a presentation on the grant applications and recommendations for 2024/25. The recommendations of this presentation were supported with some additional conditions for appropriate conservation works.

Additional conditions were recommended for paint colours to follow original (where known) or traditional colour schemes with reference to the new colours guideline. The Committee recommended matching the original paint colour for Eryldene at 17 McIntosh St, Gordon, traditional colour placement for windows of 9 Karranga Ave, Killara, and a traditional colour scheme in line with the guideline for 32 Grosvenor St, Wahroonga, and 21 Station St, Pymble.

RESOLVED

That the Heritage Reference Committee recommend the distribution of heritage home grant funding for 2024/25 to Council, and any associated conditions, as set out in the presentation. Some further conditions are recommended for specific applications for appropriate conservation works.

OTHER BUSINESS

The date of the next meeting in July is to be confirmed.

The recent sale of 6 Springdale Road, Killara, at increased value, was noted.

The Meeting closed at 1:45PM.