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Draft Pyrmont Peninsula Place Strategy

Dear Mr Mulvey

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comment on the draft Pyrmont Peninsula Place Strategy (draft Strategy) prepared by the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (the Department).

We have reviewed the draft Strategy and the supporting Non-Indigenous Cultural Heritage Study (Heritage Study) prepared by GML Heritage and provide the following advice for your consideration.

State Heritage

As well as 141 Local heritage items, three Heritage Conservation Areas and 15 s170 Register items, our records show that the Pyrmont Peninsula also contains the following items identified on the State Heritage Register (SHR):

- the Commonwealth Heritage Place and State Heritage Register item 'Pyrmont Post Office' (SHR 01440), and
- a further 13 State Heritage Register items:
 - 'Old Pyrmont Cottages' (SHR 01986)
 - 'Royal Edward Victualling Yard' (SHR 01855)
 - 'Darling Harbour Woodward Water Feature' (SHR 01933)
 - 'South Steyne (S.S)' (SHR 00755)
 - 'The Carousel' (SHR 01620)
 - 'Sewage Pumping Station 1' (SHR 01336)
 - 'Ultimo Post Office' (SHR 00502)
 - 'Ultimo Road Railway Underbridge' (SHR 01062)
 - 'Glebe and Wentworth Park Railway Viaducts' (SHR 01034)
 - part of 'Pyrmont and Glebe Railway Tunnels' (SHR 01225)
 - part of 'Pyrmont Bridge' (SHR 01618), and
 - part of 'Glebe Island Bridge' (SHR 01914), and
 - the recently listed 'Ultimo Power House' (Powerhouse Museum) (SHR 02045).

It is noted that the Heritage Study identified only ten SHR items, as opposed to the 14 identified above. The Heritage Study and draft Strategy should be updated to reflect this information.

Care must be taken to avoid impacts on the SHR items identified above, and consideration needs to be given as to how to mitigate any impacts where they are unavoidable. Heritage NSW can provide specific information and more detailed advice on the State Heritage Register items if required.

Historical Archaeology

A Historical Archaeological Assessment should be also prepared to inform the Research Framework and Archaeological Management Plan identified in the Heritage Study. This should be prepared by a suitably qualified historical archaeologist in accordance with Heritage NSW guidelines:

- Archaeological Assessments (1996) – heritage.nsw.gov.au/assets/Uploads/files/archaeological-assessments-guidelines.pdf
- Assessing Significance for Historical Archaeological Sites and Relics (2009) – heritage.nsw.gov.au/assets/Uploads/a-z-publications/a-c/Assessing-Significance-A-Historical-Archaeological-Sites-and-Relics.pdf

Heritage Initiatives

Heritage NSW supports many of the heritage initiatives and actions which the Department has identified in the draft Strategy, including:

- an interpretive connection between Pyrmont and Glebe Island Bridges
- enhancement, adaptive reuse and improved access to heritage buildings, and reinstating views to and from the harbour and to protected heritage items
- encouraging the acknowledgement and celebration of Aboriginal heritage and culture and the working harbour history in new development and across the Peninsula
- making better use of the land beneath the Western Distributor for a range of uses, including showcasing art, history and heritage
- preserving the heritage character and form of Pyrmont Village and sensitively adapting heritage buildings, and rejuvenating Harris Street as the heritage spine of the precinct, and
- installation of heritage interpretive elements.

Heritage Guidance

Heritage NSW has several publications which may be of assistance in addressing the heritage objectives of the draft Strategy. These publications are available online at heritage.nsw.gov.au/search-for-heritage/publications-and-resources/.

Aboriginal Cultural Heritage

Heritage NSW's Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Regulation team will provide separate advice in relation to Aboriginal heritage considerations under the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974*.

If you have any questions regarding this matter please contact James Sellwood, Senior Heritage Programs Officer, Heritage Programs at Heritage NSW, Department of Premier and Cabinet by phone on 02 9274 6354 or via email at james.sellwood@environment.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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As delegate of the Heritage Council of NSW
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