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Pyrmont Peninsula Place Strategy

Dear Mr Mulvey

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the draft *Pyrmont Peninsula Place Strategy* (draft Strategy).

We have reviewed the draft Strategy and *Indigenous Cultural Heritage Report* and provide the following comments in relation to Aboriginal cultural heritage matters.

Aboriginal Cultural Heritage

The *Indigenous Cultural Heritage Report* dated July 2020, and prepared by Kelleher Nightingale Consulting Pty Ltd, provides a good basis to inform the Strategy on how best to incorporate Aboriginal cultural heritage values into future planning for the Peninsula. We support the findings of the report while also noting that further detailed Aboriginal cultural heritage assessment will be required for any future development proposed.

Next steps for Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment

We support the key recommendations and next steps outlined on page 45 of the *Indigenous Cultural Heritage Report* including;

- The need to prepare a full Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment Report (ACHAR) to identify and describe the Aboriginal cultural heritage values that exist across the Peninsula. This may include the need for surface survey and test excavation. The identification of cultural heritage values needs to be conducted in accordance with the [Code of Practice for Archaeological Investigation in NSW](#) (OEH 2010), and be guided by the [Guide to Investigating, Assessing and Reporting on Aboriginal Cultural Heritage in New South Wales](#) (DECCW 2011) and consultation with Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Regulation staff of Heritage NSW.
- Consultation with Aboriginal people must be undertaken and documented in accordance with the [Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents](#) (DECCW 2010). The significance of cultural heritage values for Aboriginal people who have a cultural association with the land needs to be documented in the ACHAR.
- Any impacts on Aboriginal cultural heritage values need to be assessed and documented in the ACHAR. The ACHAR needs to demonstrate attempts to avoid impact upon cultural heritage values and identify any conservation outcomes. Where impacts are unavoidable, the ACHAR must outline measures proposed to mitigate impacts. Any objects recorded as part of the assessment must also be documented and notified to Heritage NSW.

- The development of an Aboriginal Heritage Interpretation Strategy to acknowledge and celebrate the Peninsula's Aboriginal cultural heritage values.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone on 02 6229 7089 or via email at jackie.taylor@environment.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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