

STATE HERITAGE REGISTER COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

2 July 2024 | 9:00 AM - 12:10 PM

Meeting held via Teams videoconference.

ATTENDANCE

State Heritage Register Committee

The Hon. Robyn Parker	Chair
Ms Colleen Morris	Deputy Chair
Dr Stephen Gapps	Member
Dr Wayne Johnson	Member
Dr Brian Lindsay	Member
Ms Lisa Trueman	Member
Ms Natalie Vinton	Member

Apologies

Mr Frank Howarth AM PSM

Alternate Member

Heritage NSW

Ms Anna London	A/Director Heritage Programs
Ms Alexandra Boukouvalas	Manager Heritage Programs North (<i>item 6</i>)
Ms Sarah Robertson	Senior Heritage Officer (<i>item 2.1</i>)
Mr Stuart Read	Senior Heritage Officer (<i>item 2.2</i>)
Ms Meggan Walker	Senior Heritage Officer <i>(item 3.1)</i>
Ms Sonia Limeburner	Manager Strategy & Implementation <i>(item 4.2)</i>
Ms Lauren Thomson	Senior Heritage Officer <i>(item 5)</i>

Secretariat

Ms Olgica Lenger Miss Linda Bugarin Manager Secretariat Secretariat Officer

IN-CAMERA SESSION

This item was not minuted.

Item 1. Welcome and Formalities

Chair Robyn Parker opened the meeting at 9:00 AM and delivered an Acknowledgment of Country.

The Committee noted there were no apologies and a quorum had been met.

Item 1.1 Conflict of Interest Declarations

The State Heritage Register Committee noted the following standing declarations:

- Robyn Parker: 2011-2015 Decisions
- Colleen Morris: National Trust of Australia
- Dr Wayne Johnson: Place Management NSW
- Natalie Vinton: Powerhouse Museum, Ultimo and MLC Building, North Sydney

The Committee noted the following conflict of interest:

 Item 2.2 Wyoming (listing amendment) – NOI – Colleen Morris declared a conflict of interest in that she has worked for the owner and has provided input to update the statement of significance. Ms Morris advised she would leave the meeting for the duration of this agenda item.

Item 1.2 Out of Session Decisions

Nil reported.

Item 1.3 Minutes from the Previous Meeting – 4 June 2024

Resolution 2024-41

The State Heritage Register Committee:

1. **Confirmed** the minutes of the previous ordinary meeting (4 June 2024) as a complete and accurate record of that meeting.

Moved by Brian Lindsay and seconded by Stephen Gapps

Item 1.4 Matters Arising

Nil reported.

Item 1.5 Action Report

The State Heritage Register Committee noted the report.

Item 2 SHR Nominations – Notice of Intention

Item 2.1 Toganmain Woolshed Precinct – NOI

The State Heritage Register Committee received a report from Heritage NSW on Toganmain Woolshed Precinct – NOI.

Natalie Vinton joined meeting at 9:25 AM.

The Committee noted the Toganmain Woolshed Precinct in the Riverina region includes a large shearing shed built in 1875, associated shearers quarters, ancillary buildings and surrounding pastoral land. The owners support the listing and are keen to discuss site specific exemptions (SSE). The owners have also looked at available grants from Heritage NSW and different funding pathways to undertake urgent repairs.

The Committee discussed the importance of the item being one of the largest and longest operating woolsheds in NSW and the owners' investment in innovation and technology over the years.

It was noted that there are no plans for future development of the land and that the primary views are retained.

The Committee thanked Heritage NSW, in particular Sarah Robertson, for the presentation and work done on this item.

Resolution 2024-42

The State Heritage Register Committee:

- 1. **Considers** the item known as the Toganmain Woolshed Precinct at Lot 3 Deposited Plan 1287292 Carrathool, defined in accordance with the curtilage shown at Tab 2.2C of the report, is likely to be of State heritage significance.
- 2. In accordance with section 33(1)(a) of the *Heritage Act 1977*, will **give** each person that it considers to be an affected owner or occupier written **notice** that it is going to consider whether or not to recommend the listing of the item concerned (a *notice of intention to consider listing*).
- 3. In accordance with section 33(1)(b) and section 33(1)(c) of the *Heritage Act 1977*, within 14 days after notice of intention to consider listing is given, will cause a **notice** of intention to consider listing to be **published** in a newspaper circulating in the area in which the item is situated, inviting submissions on the listing, specifying a date as the closing date for the receipt of submissions of 28 days after the publication of the newspaper notice and the manner in which submissions may be made.

Moved by Colleen Morris and seconded by Wayne Johnson

Item 2.2 Wyoming, SHR00772 – NOI to amend listing

The State Heritage Register Committee received a report from Heritage NSW on Wyoming, SHR00772 – NOI to amend listing.

Colleen Morris left the meeting for the duration of this agenda item.

The Committee noted the Wyoming, Birchgrove site is representative of gentry housing on the harbour with links to pre and post maritime industrial history of Balmain and Sydney Harbour. The proposed amendment is to formalise the assessment and statement of significance for the listing. There has been no change to the existing curtilage and the owners are notionally supportive of an updated conservation plan and open to discussing SSEs.

The Committee thanked Heritage NSW, in particular Stuart Read, for the presentation and work done on this item.

Resolution 2024-43

The State Heritage Register Committee:

- 1. **Notes** that the item known as Wyoming at 25 Wharf Road, Birchgrove, defined in accordance with the curtilage shown at Tab 2.2C of the report is of State heritage significance having been transferred from Permanent Conservation Order status to the State Heritage Register in 1999.
- 2. In accordance with section 33(1)(a) of the *Heritage Act* 1977, **give** each person that it considers to be an affected owner or occupier written **notice** that it is going to consider whether or not to recommend the amendment of the listing of the item concerned (a *notice of intention to consider listing*).
- 3. In accordance with section 33(1)(b) and section 33(1)(c) of the *Heritage Act 1977*, within 14 days after notice of intention to consider listing is given, will cause a **notice** of intention to consider the listing amendment to be **published** in a newspaper circulating in the area in which the item is situated, inviting submissions on the amended listing, specifying a date as the closing date for the receipt of submissions of 28 days after the publication of the newspaper notice and the manner in which submissions may be made.

Moved by Natalie Vinton and seconded by Lisa Trueman

Item 3. SHR Nominations – Recommendation to List

Item 3.1 Art Gallery of New South Wales - RTL

The State Heritage Register Committee received a report from Heritage NSW on the Art Gallery of New South Wales – RTL.

The proposed listing comprises Naala Nura (seeing Country), the Gallery's south building, and Naala Badu (seeing waters), the Gallery's north building.

Heritage NSW has consulted extensively with all landowners and lessees and, subject to the finalisation of SSEs, has secured the support of all stakeholders.

The Art Gallery of NSW Trust initially made two submissions opposing the listing; however, following a meeting on 25 June, the Art Gallery changed its position to one of support for the listing, contingent on amendments to the listing and the development of robust SSEs. Where appropriate, these changes have been applied.

The Committee discussed the external artworks at the Art Gallery, including the architectural significance of the two early bronzes at the front of the Vernon Wing.

The Committee refined the Statement of County to be more specific and tailored to the site, including the recognition of the siting of the Gallery in the landscape and its contemporary heritage values.

The meeting concluded to proceed with the listing, but to defer consideration of the SSEs until the September meeting, to allow further time to consult on these exemptions.

The Committee thanked Heritage NSW, in particular Meggan Walker, Alexandra Boukouvalas, and Anna London, for the presentation and work done on this item.

Resolution 2024-44

The State Heritage Register Committee:

- In accordance with section 33(1)(d) of the *Heritage Act 1977*, has **considered** the submissions received in response to its notice of intention to consider listing and considers the item known as Art Gallery of New South Wales at 2B Art Gallery Road and 1 Mrs Macquaries Road, Sydney, satisfies more than one of the approved criteria for determining whether an item is of State heritage significance, being criteria ((a), (b), (c), (d), (g)) as detailed in the report at Tab 3.1A, as amended.
- 2. **Recommends** to the Minister, in accordance with sections 32(1) and (2) of the *Heritage Act 1977*, that the Minister **direct** the listing of the item, Art Gallery of New South Wales at 2B Art Gallery Road and 1 Mrs Macquaries Road, Sydney, on the State Heritage Register (SHR), as shown in the plan at Tab 3.1C.
- 3. In accordance with section 33(1)(e) of the *Heritage Act* 1977, **give notice** of its decision to persons notified under section 33(1)(a).
- 4. **Defers** consideration of whether to recommend that the Minister grant the site specific exemptions proposed at Tab 3.1D from section 57(1) of the *Heritage Act 1977* in addition to the Heritage Council Standard Exemptions, until the September 2024 meeting.

Moved by Brian Lindsay and seconded by Colleen Morris

Item 4. Matters for Consideration

Item 4.1 Royal Botanic Gardens and the Domain – Updated SSEs

This item has been deferred.

Item 4.2 Draft SHR Amendment Policy and Procedure

The State Heritage Register Committee received a report from Heritage NSW on the draft policy and procedure for making amendments to the State Heritage Register (SHR).

The deliverables of the project include a policy and procedure, an implementation options paper, and a separate piece of work on data requirements to support the policy.

The Committee noted the proposed tiered approach for proposed amendments, with different levels of consultation and approval requirements. The implementation of the policy will require changes to the Heritage Management System database and the approval pathway.

The Committee provided feedback and suggestions on the policy, including the use of test cases and examples, the language used to describe changes, and the approval framework.

The Committee thanked Heritage NSW, in particular Sonia Limeburner, for the presentation and work done on this policy.

Item 5. Preliminary Assessment of New SHR Nominations

The State Heritage Register Committee received a report from Heritage NSW on SHR Nominations.

Gosford Library

The Committee noted Heritage NSW has received requests for an interim heritage order for Gosford Library due to local council plans to demolish it. However, Heritage NSW does not consider the item to be under imminent threat.

Maroombah Homestead, Euchareena

The Committee noted Maroombah Homestead has significant convict ties and its 1837 dwelling might be the first adobe structure in Australia. The Committee would like to see further assessment including a comparative analysis.

The Committee thanked Lauren Thomson for her work on these items.

Resolution 2024-45

The State Heritage Register Committee:

1. **Considers** that the Gosford Library, Gosford, is not likely to be of state heritage significance, but it may be of local significance. The nomination will not be progressed for listing on the State Heritage Register.

Moved by Natalie Vinton and seconded by Lisa Trueman

Resolution 2024-46

The State Heritage Register Committee:

1. **Considers** that Maroombah Homestead may be of State heritage significance and **prioritises** the nomination for progression to a full assessment (Tab 5D of the report).

Moved by Wayne Johnson and seconded by Colleen Morris

Item 6. SHR Listings Monthly Report

The State Heritage Register Committee received a report from Heritage NSW on the SHR monthly listings.

The Committee noted two listings have been gazetted: Gooriwal Cultural Landscape and Captain Moonlite and James Nesbitt's Graves. Heritage NSW is currently organising an event for the announcement of Gooriwal.

The Chair congratulated and thanked the Committee and Heritage NSW staff for the 19 listings gazetted in 2023/24 financial year.

Item 7. General Matters

Item 7.1 Forward Agenda

The State Heritage Register Committee noted the report.

Item 8. General Matters

The State Heritage Register Committee noted:

- The Chair thanked Colleen Morris for chairing the June meeting.
- Heritage Council vacancies have been advertised with the closing date in early August.
- Members were reminded to distribute media articles about listings.

Meeting Close

There being no further items of business, the Chair, The Hon. Robyn Parker, closed the meeting at 12:10 PM.

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The Hon. Robyn Parker **Chair, State Heritage Register Committee** Date: 5 August 2024