

Planning and Heritage Advisory Committee

26 June 2023

Ashfield Service Centre, Ashfield

Minutes

Meeting commenced at 6:00pm and concluded 7:40pm

1. Present

Community members	Staff	Councillors
Louise Steer	Daniel East – Acting Senior Manager, Strategic Planning	
Darren Livings	Jennifer Gavin – Team Leader, Specialist Planning Team	
Alex Atwood	Nigel Riley – Senior Strategic Planner	
Rebecca Jones		
Stephen Powter		
Cath Snelgrove		
Rod Aanensen		
Arni Nadkarni		
Dennis McCarthy		
Heather Davie		
Rian Fergusson		
Susan Jackson-Stepowski		

2. Chairperson: • Louise Steer

3. Acknowledgment of Country



4. Apologies:

• Corey Allen; Elise Frost

5. Disclosure of interest:

• Rebecca Jones declared an interest in relation to Item 5

6. Quorum: • A quorum was achieved

7. Endorse previous meeting minutes:
Minutes for the 1 May meeting were endorsed. No actions were outstanding.

Discussion items

Agenda Item	Discussion Summary	Proposed action (if required)	Action owner	Date for action to be finalised
1.	 Introductions, welcome new members New Members provided an overview of themselves and their interests: Stephen Powter Rod Aanensen Arni Nadkarni Cath Snelgrove Dennis McCarthy Existing Members provided an overview of themselves and their interests. 	Nil	_	
2.	 Presentation – Inner West Heritage Program Jennifer Gavin provided an overview of Council's Inner West Heritage Program. The committee were then invited to provide feedback on a draft letter template for an 	Council staff to take into account feedback on draft letter template	Jennifer Gavin Nigel Riley	Feedback to inform consultation: by 17 July 2023

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Item	 upcoming preliminary consultation on proposed residential heritage changes. Draft letter - suggested inclusions / amendments: Potential impact on property values Impact on access to property - e.g. wheelchair access Impacts on minor works - suggest more practical examples, e.g. repainting Better clarity needed on how to provide feedback. Currently only directs readers to the Your Say page Should cover more than individual impacts. How does it affect others Instead of just what is a HCA, why is an area 	Presentation slides to be provided to Committee following the meeting		be finalised 3 July 2023
	 included. Why is it important Greater emphasis on other controls and legislation. Heritage listing does not exist in isolation Highlight 'How to have your say' rather than mid-letter 			
3.	 Overview of Meeting of Local Democracy Group Chairs with Councillors and Executive Chair provided overview of meeting on 30 May 2023 	Convenors to keep Committee advised on outcomes of Notice of Motion, as further information is available	Jennifer Gavin Nigel Riley	To be determined

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	 Chair raised concerns regarding Committee's previous Planning Challenge Questions and their difficulty and relevance to Committee's purpose (re current Terms of Reference – copies tabled for Committee members) Chair advised of Councillor Notice of Motion, endorsed by Council at 20 June 2023 meeting, to review Committee's composition and purpose Chair queried whether Committee minutes were being brought to Councillors' attention Committee members discussed whether group should avoid straying into discussions of political nature (and if this is possible in planning) 			
	 Re purpose, also discussed potential overlaps with other Committees, whether this is avoidable, and whether groups should better communicate and collaborate Daniel East clarified that recent recruitment of new members was a standard, ad-hoc recruitment not requiring Councillor endorsement 			

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4.	 Future topics for discussion Convenors confirmed Planning Challenge Question in its current iteration will be discontinued Roundtable discussion was held on potential topics for discussion/workshops at future Committee meetings Potential future topics for discussion: Affordable Housing – Recent State Government announcement on new Affordable Housing Policy measures Overview of Nightingale housing model, with reference to development on Illawarra Road Consideration of growth in heritage context: Including case studies 'Social' heritage as well as built form Housing for infrastructure and services – potential topics regarding community needs, apportionment and funding Feasibility – how it is considered in strategic 	Susan Jackson-Stepowski to circulate information on City of Sydney, Montreal and San Francisco case studies Convenors to consider potential future topics for group discussions and/or staff presentations	Susan Jackson- Stepowski Jennifer Gavin Nigel Riley	No date (for consideration at a future meeting) Prior to next meeting 28 August 2023



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	 Urban forest/canopy – needs and retention Planning for family-friendly housing Industrial and employment land planning – trade-offs in retaining/promoting these uses vs providing new housing 			
8.	AOB • Reminder of International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) General Assembly 2023 – Sydney 31 August to 9 September 2023	Nil	-	-

Distribution of minutes and actions

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Next Meeting

