



STATE HERITAGE REGISTER COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

4 April 2023 | 10:45 AM – 1:15 PM

Meeting held in Room 15, Level 11, Building 4, Parramatta Square, 12 Darcy Street, Parramatta, and 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
Mr Paul Knight	Member
Dr Brian Lindsay	Member
Ms Lisa Trueman	Member
Ms Natalie Vinton	Member

Apology

Mr Frank Howarth AM PSM	Alternate Member
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Heritage NSW

Ms Anna London	A/Director Heritage Programs (Item 3.1 onwards)
Mr Roy Barker	Aboriginal Team Leader Heritage Programs (Item 4.1)
Dr Natalie Blake	Manager Heritage Programs (Items 2.1, 4.2)
Ms Mary Ann Hamilton	Manager Heritage Programs (Items 3.1, 4.3)
Ms Christine Hay	Senior Heritage Officer (Item 2.1)
Mr David Hoffman	Senior Heritage Officer (Item 3.1)
Mr Paul Houston	Aboriginal Senior Heritage Officer (Item 4.1)
Ms Barrina South	Manager Program Coordination (Item 6)
Ms Margot Stuart	Senior Heritage Officer (Item 4.3)

Secretariat

Ms Olgica Lenger	Manager Secretariat
Miss Linda Bugarin	Secretariat Officer

IN-CAMERA SESSION

Item 1. Welcome and Formalities

Chair Robyn Parker opened the meeting at 10:45 AM and delivered an Acknowledgment of Country. It was noted there were no apologies and quorum had been met.

Item 1.1 Conflict of Interest Declarations

The Committee noted the following standing declarations:

- Robyn Parker: 2011-2015 Decisions
- Colleen Morris: National Trust of Australia
- Dr Wayne Johnson: Place Management NSW

Colleen Morris reiterated her previous declaration regarding Item 3.1 *Badangi – Recommendation to List*, that she was one of the authors of the Australian Institute of Landscape Architects' report, which included the Badangi nomination. The Committee confirmed that there is no conflict of interest and no further action was required.

Item 1.2 Out of Session Decisions

Nil reported.

Item 1.3 Minutes from the Previous Meeting – 28 February 2023

Resolution 2023-18
The State Heritage Register Committee: 1. Confirmed the minutes of the previous ordinary meeting (28 February 2023) as a complete and accurate record of that meeting.
Moved by Natalie Vinton and seconded by Paul Knight

Item 1.4 Matters Arising

The Committee noted and congratulated the newly appointed Minister for Heritage, The Hon Penny Sharpe MLC and discussed inviting the Minister to a Heritage Council meeting in the near future.

Item 1.5 Action Report

The State Heritage Register Committee noted the report.

Item 2. SHR Nominations – Notice of Intention

Item 2.1 All Saints Anglican Church, Bodalla – NOI

The State Heritage Register Committee noted the presentation on All Saints Anglican Church, Bodalla – NOI by Christine Hay and Natalie Blake.

Key points noted:

- The item was nominated for SHR listing by a local historian, on behalf of the owners, the Anglican Church Property Trust, Diocese of Canberra.

- The proposed listing comprises the church building, its landmark tower, churchyard, driveway and cultural plantings of mature trees.
- Heritage NSW (HNSW) visited the site in January 2023. It was noted the church requires urgent roof repairs to allay water damage, which the owner aims to seek assistance from the Heritage NSW grants program following listing.
- Land adjacent and to the east of the church has development consent from Eurobodalla Shire Council for a community title subdivision and 21 dwelling houses.
- The item has been assessed as having potential State heritage significance under four criteria.

The Chair thanked Christine Hay and Natalie Blake for the presentation.

Resolution 2023-19

The State Heritage Register Committee:

1. **Considers** the item known as *All Saints Anglican Church* at 42 Princes Highway, Bodalla, defined in accordance with the curtilage shown at Tab 2.1C 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 **21 days** after the publication of the newspaper notice and the manner in which submissions may be made.

Moved by Colleen Morris and seconded by Natalie Vinton

Item 2.2 North Beach Precinct – Curtilage Amendment – NOI

Item deferred.

Item 3. SHR Nominations – Recommend to List

Item 3.1 Badangi – RTL

The State Heritage Register Committee noted the presentation on Badangi – RTL by David Hoffman and Mary Ann Hamilton.

Key points noted:

- There have been changes to the proposed curtilage since the Notice of Intention to Consider Listing presentation. The recommended curtilage for Badangi:
 - Excludes three non-bushland properties in Shirley Road as per the submission from North Sydney Council,
 - Excludes the Viva Energy marine leasehold as per submission requests from Viva Energy and Transport for NSW, and
 - Includes Manns Point as per submission requests from Australian Institute of Landscape Architects and North Sydney Council.

- HNSW has held regular meetings with Transport for NSW (TfNSW) regarding the Western Harbour Tunnel. It has been confirmed that the tunnel will not impede the listing.
- Based on a verbal advice, it is anticipated that the Lane Cove Council will support the listing.

The Committee thanked David Hoffman, Mary Ann Hamilton and former staff member, Christina Kanellaki-Lowe for their hard work and negotiations on this item.

Resolution 2023-20

The State Heritage Register Committee:

1. 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 *Badangi* (Manns Point, Holloway Park, Greendale Park, Smoothey Park, Milray Reserve, Gore Cove Reserve, Berry Island Reserve, Badangi Reserve, Berrys Creek, Gore Cove and Berrys Bay) satisfies more than one of the approved criteria for determining whether an item is of State heritage significance, being criteria (a), (c), (d), (e), (f) and (g), as detailed in the report at Tab 3.1A of the report.
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 Badangi (Manns Point, Holloway Park, Greendale Park, Smoothey Park, Milray Reserve, Gore Cove Reserve, Berry Island Reserve, Badangi Reserve, Berrys Creek, Gore Cove and Berrys Bay), as shown in the plan at Tab 3.1C of the report.
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. In accordance with section 57(2) of the *Heritage Act 1977*, **recommends** that the Minister **grant** the site-specific exemptions at Tab 3.1D of the report from section 57(1) of the *Heritage Act 1977* in addition to the Heritage Council Standard Exemptions.

Moved by Brian Lindsay seconded by Stephen Gapps

Item 4. Matters for Consideration

Item 4.1 Weilmoringle Station Complex – Update

The State Heritage Register Committee noted the update on Weilmoringle Station Complex – by Paul Houston and Roy Barker.

Key points noted:

- Weilmoringle is an isolated Aboriginal community of 70 people located in Brewarrina Shire. The traditional Aboriginal owners, the Muruwari, have remained continuously on the property throughout its history.
- In February 2020, the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Advisory Committee strongly supported the nomination and considered it a priority.
- Local council placed an interim heritage order on Weilmoringle Shearing complex in August 2020 in response to the owner's (the Indigenous Land and Sea Corporation) plans for renovations and the demolition of the shearer's quarters.
- At a site visit in September 2022, HNSW identified several issues including whether the community has the capacity to ensure listed structures are maintained to minimum standards.

- A curtilage will be developed as more research is undertaken, particularly concerning the Aboriginal cultural heritage values of the area.
- HNSW will be consulting the Weilmoringle community, landowners and other stakeholders to develop a detailed understanding of the site's heritage values.
- HNSW emphasised the need to continue engagement with the owners and community, to explain cost in terms of money and time and how HNSW can support the community with the listing and its future management.

The Chair thanked Paul Houston and Roy Barker for their update.

Item 4.2 University of Sydney – Amended Site-Specific Exemptions

Item deferred.

Item 4.3 Manilla Viaduct and Railway Underbridge, Manilla – Update

The State Heritage Register Committee noted the update on Manilla Viaduct and Railway Underbridge, Manilla by Margot Stuart and Mary Ann Hamilton.

Key points noted:

- HNSW conducted a site visit in December 2022 and surmised the overall condition of the item is fair. The structure did not appear to have dramatically worsened following the extreme wet weather events of 2021.
- TfNSW is developing a *Regional Rail Heritage Strategy*, which it will present to the Heritage Council at the April 2023 meeting.
- HNSW's significance assessment suggests the Manilla Viaduct should be a priority for conservation and protection under any wider heritage strategy. It is the only curved wooden rail viaduct remaining in NSW and is highly significant for its technical and historic values.
- TfNSW welcomed the advice from HNSW and the Committee regarding the potential to use steel in repair and maintenance.
- There are safety concerns where the structure crosses roads; however, this can be mitigated with implementing road safety measures such as chicanes.
- The Committee discussed the item's tourism potential and issues such as the flooding in the area, and the importance of monitoring the item to avoid demolition by neglect.

The Chair thanked Margot Stuart and Mary Ann Hamilton for the update.

Conclusion

The State Heritage Register Committee:

1. **Noted** the information in this paper.
2. **Noted** the upcoming presentation from TfNSW on the early stages of their Regional Rail Heritage Strategy at the 5 April 2023 Heritage Council meeting.
3. **Noted** Heritage NSW intention to present the Manilla Viaduct for Notice of Intention consideration at the 2 May 2023 State Heritage Register Committee meeting.

Item 5. Preliminary Assessment of New SHR Nominations

Nil reported.

Item 6. SHR Listings Monthly Report

The State Heritage Register Committee noted the SHR Listings Monthly Report by Barrina South.

The Committee sought a concerted effort be made to finalise recommendations to list items on the State Heritage Register previously made by the Committee.

Item 7. General Matters

Item 7.1 Forward Agenda

The State Heritage Register Committee noted the report.

Meeting Close

There being no further items of business, Chair Robyn Parker closed the meeting at 1:15 PM.



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The Hon. Robyn Parker

Chair, State Heritage Register Committee

Date: 2 May 2023