

Minutes

Heritage Advisory Committee

Date: Monday, 20.11.2023

Venue/Mode: MS Teams

Councillors: - Cr Michael Glynatsis (MG)- Chair,

Attendance: Alexis Arrowsmith (AAr), Eleni Courvisanos (ECo), Graeme Butler (GB), Greg Chenhall (GC), Ian Wight (IW), Jeffrey Atkinson (JA), Malcolm MacDonald (MM), Ursula Chandler (UC)

Council Officers: Richa Swarup (RS) - Principal Advisor City Heritage.

Apologies: Cr Edward Crossland (EC), Cr Bridgid O'Brien (BOB), Kirsteen Thomson (KT), Kristianna Scheffel (KS), Leo John Showell (LS).

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<p>1. <u>Acknowledgement, Welcome and Apologies</u></p> <p>MG started the meeting with the <i>Acknowledgement and Statement of Recognition of Wurundjeri Land</i>.</p> <p>HAC noted apologies (as stated above).</p>	<p><u>Action</u></p> <p><i>No action required.</i></p>
<p>2. <u>Minutes of the previous HAC meeting 17.07.2023 and actions arising</u></p> <p>HAC unanimously adopted the minutes of the previous HAC meeting of 17.07.2023.</p> <p>Regarding item 5 of the previous meeting on the “ <i>Presentation by Leo John Showell on heritage buildings examples</i>” HAC members were reminded to provide examples of the buildings and aspects they have liked to LS or RS.</p> <p>IW noted that an earlier HAC, a few years ago (of which he was a part) had also provided examples of residential developments. He further noted that this is a new HAC and new developments have occurred in past years so it will be worthwhile collecting new examples (not restricting to residential developments only).</p>	<p><u>Action</u></p> <p><i>That</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>HAC members provide examples of the buildings and aspects they have liked to LS or RS.</i>
<p>3. <u>Access and heritage buildings</u></p> <p>The item was deferred for a future meeting.</p>	<p><u>Action</u></p> <p><i>No specific action was noted.</i></p>

<p><u>4. Update on LGBTIQ+ Heritage Study Part 1</u></p> <p>RS informed HAC that a final draft of the LGBTIQ+ Heritage Study has been presented to the councilors briefing. Part 2 of the Heritage Study would be initiated in coming months. This study would involve,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • preparation of detailed citations for places identified to be potentially significant in Part 1 Study; • analysis of their heritage values based on the State nominated criteria for heritage listing; and • preparation of statements of significance. 	<p><u>Action</u></p> <p><i>No action required at this stage.</i></p>
<p><u>5. Preparation of Statements of Significance (Heritage Strategy Action 1)</u></p> <p>HAC noted that preparation of Statements of Significance (SoS) is a priority action of Yarra’s Heritage Strategy. HAC discussed the current trend of the consultancy costs and felt that preparation of SoS for all individually significant buildings within precincts can be very costly.</p> <p>GB informed that he had prepared a database containing datasheets for significant places within a precinct. Although the information was brief it provides information on what values and elements are important. He noted that with the help of these data sheets, brief SoS can be easily prepared.</p> <p>HAC agreed with his methodology and recommended that Council adopt the following strategic approach in preparation of the Statements of Significance to keep the cost at the minimum:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Select areas/sites/pockets within a precinct which are under development pressure and are vulnerable. Prepare detailed Statements of Significance with the help of external consultants for a small number of such places. • For all other individually significant sites prepare brief statements from the available information on the database. Such statements can be developed with help of a student or young heritage professional (inhouse) instead of regular external consultants. This will save the consultancy costs. 	<p><u>Action</u></p> <p><i>That</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>That council provide funding to prepare SoS for identified vulnerable areas and sites.</i> • <i>Council also consider HAC recommendation for resourcing a student or a young heritage professional to help compile data from the available data sheets into brief statements of significance.</i>
<p><u>6. General Updates</u></p> <p>RS provided updates on the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quarterly report to Council on Heritage Strategy • Slade Knitwear Sign 	<p><u>Action</u></p> <p><i>No further action required.</i></p>
<p><u>7. Any Other Matter</u></p> <p>RS informed that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HAC could nominate members or members could nominate themselves to attend Yarra Climate Summit on Sunday 26 November, 2-4pm at Fitzroy Town Hall (Check the interest for the 	<p><u>Action</u></p> <p><i>That</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>HAC members may</i>

<p>two places available). The details are available on the link provided to them via email.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Heritage Council of Victoria is reviewing the Future Directions of Victorian Heritage Register places and HAC members could provide their feedback via the survey. The information on this has been emailed to the HAC. 	<p><i>respond to the listed items.</i></p>
<p>8. <u>Meeting dates and agenda item</u></p> <p>RS informed that she would circulate the meeting dates of 2024 HAC meetings after the ceremonial meeting of the Council.</p>	<p><u>Action</u></p> <p><i>That</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>RS emails 2024 HAC meeting schedule to the members once available.</i>

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