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Dear Ms Dorocinska

**Notice of Exhibition of application for the Woolworths Warehouse and Distribution Centre Auburn (SSD 10470)**

Thank you for your referral dated 22 October 2020 inviting comments from the Heritage Council of NSW on the above State Significant Development (SSD) proposal. The proposed development would involve:

- Demolition of the existing building, structures and infrastructure;
- Site preparation work; and
- Construction and operation of a warehouse and distribution centre, incorporating ancillary office space, amenities, hardstand parking and loading areas, landscaping and signage.

The following report was considered in our assessment:

- *11-13 Percy Street, Auburn, New South Wales Historical Heritage Assessment*, Austral Archaeology, 22 September 2020.

As delegate of the Heritage Council of NSW, I provide the following comments:

- The supporting assessment identifies the archaeological potential of the area of the proposed development as limited. It notes that it is unlikely that the area would contribute further information to our understanding of the history of the area due to both the nature of the archaeological resource and ground disturbance associated with both land reclamation for the canalisation of Haslam's Creek of the 1930s and the construction of the existing infrastructure within the subject area. Heritage NSW concurs with this assessment of archaeological potential and significance.
- The recommendations in relation to the management of archaeological relics not assessed or anticipated by the assessment are appropriate and should be reflected in the Construction Environmental Management Plan if the proposed development is approved by the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment.

As the proposal is in the vicinity of an item of local heritage significance, identified on the Auburn Local Environmental Plan 2010, advice should also be sought from council.

For any questions please contact Georgia Wright, Senior Historical Archaeology Officer at Heritage NSW on 02 9995 6298 or [georgia.wright@environment.nsw.gov.au](mailto:georgia.wright@environment.nsw.gov.au).

Yours sincerely

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**As Delegate of the Heritage Council of NSW**