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Pathways Cremorne Seniors Housing - Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) (SSD-49472213)

Dear Ms Sliogeris,

Thank you for your referral dated 13 September 2023 seeking advice from the Heritage Council of NSW on the above State Significant Development (SSD) proposal at 50-88 Parraween Street and 59-67 Gerard Street, Cremorne.

The proposal includes:

- Demolition of structures
- Construction of a 5 storey Residential Care Facility fronting Parraween Street
- Construction of 2 x 4 storey buildings contained Independent Living Units fronting Parraween Street
- Construction of an 8 storey building containing Independent Living Units fronting Gerard Street
- Adaptive reuse of 9 cottages on Parraween Street.

Heritage NSW has reviewed the supporting documents including:

- Environmental Impact Statement (Gyde, 4 August 2023)
- Heritage Impact Statement (Architectural Projects, August 2023)
- Architectural plans (CHROFI & MDP architecture, July 2023)

As delegate of the Heritage Council of NSW, I provide the following advice in relation to environmental heritage matters:

- There are no State Heritage Register items within the project site or in the immediate vicinity.
- The Orpheum Theatre, located opposite the project site, is listed as a local heritage item. While it has been nominated for listing on the State Heritage Register, an assessment of the nomination is not expected to commence until 2024. Advice on impacts to local heritage items should be provided by North Sydney Council.
- The properties at 50, 52, 54, 56, 70, 72, 78, 80, 82, 84, 86 and 88 Parraween Street are subject to an Interim Heritage Order made by North Sydney Council which expires in November 2023. These properties are assessed to be significant on a local level, therefore advice on impacts to these properties should be provided by North Sydney Council.

- The EIS lacks a historical archaeological assessment, nor is historical archaeological potential discussed in the EIS or in the Heritage Impact Statement. It is recommended that a historical archaeological assessment be prepared:

HISTORICAL ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT

A historical archaeological assessment should be prepared by a suitably qualified archaeologist in accordance with the guidelines Archaeological Assessment (1996) and Assessing Significance for Historical Archaeological Sites and Relics (2009).

This assessment should identify what relics, if any, are likely to be present (known as archaeological potential), assess their significance and consider the impacts from the proposal on this potential archaeological resource. Where harm is likely to occur, it is recommended that the significance of the relics be considered in determining an appropriate mitigation strategy.

If you have any questions about this correspondence, please contact Lily Chu, Senior Assessments Officer at Heritage NSW on (02) 9873 8500 or heritagemailbox@environment.nsw.gov.au

Yours sincerely

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As Delegate of the Heritage Council of NSW
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