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## Advice on Environmental Impact Statement – State Significant Development

**Proposal:** Pymble Ladies College Secondary Innovation Project

**Major Project reference:** SSD-79146716

**Received:** 2 July 2025

Dear Mr Gotsis,

Thank you for your referral seeking advice on the above State Significant Development proposal. In preparing this advice Heritage NSW has reviewed the following documents:

- Relevant sections of *Environmental Impact Statement Pymble Ladies' College Secondary Innovation Precinct and Campus Commons* - prepared by Urbis, dated 19 June 2025.
- *Pymble Ladies' College Secondary Innovation Precinct Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment Report* (ACHAR) - prepared by Artefact Heritage, dated 11 March 2025.

Following the review of the above documents, Heritage NSW requests additional information to inform its advice to the Department on whether the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment Report adequately addresses the Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements for the project, including the associated recommendations for the management of Aboriginal cultural heritage. Heritage NSW recommends that Planning requires the proponent provide additional information in relation to the following matters:

1. The response from Ku-ring-gai Council in Stage 1 of consultation identified the Aboriginal Heritage Office as an organisation which should be contacted. Please confirm whether the Aboriginal Heritage Office was contacted. If not, the organisation should be contacted with an invitation to register for consultation on the project.

2. It is noted that the study area for the proposed works has been altered since the ACHAR was finalised. Please provide an update to all Registered Aboriginal Parties (RAPs) which includes the *Pymble Ladies' College Secondary Innovation Precinct (SIP) and Campus Commons Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment Report Memo*, dated 11 March 2025, to ensure that RAPs are kept up to date on the status of the project.

Please note that the above comments relate only to Aboriginal cultural heritage regulation matters. If you have any questions about this correspondence, please contact James Cole, Senior Assessments Officer at Heritage NSW on (02) 9873 8500 or [heritagemailbox@environment.nsw.gov.au](mailto:heritagemailbox@environment.nsw.gov.au)

Yours sincerely,

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