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Advice on Response to Submission – State Significant Development

Proposal: Mixed use with infill affordable housing - Help Street, Chatswood

Major Project reference: SSD-76555711

Received: 23 September 2025

Dear Edwina,

Thank you for your referral seeking advice for the above State Significant Development (SSD) Response to Submissions (RtS). Thank you for the continued opportunity to comment on the project.

Heritage NSW provided recommended draft conditions of approval for the project on 1 July 2025 (HMS ID 10754). These conditions remain applicable for the project and are replicated in Attachment A. Heritage NSW have no further comment at this time.

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

Yours sincerely,

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Attachment A - Recommended Draft Conditions for Aboriginal Cultural Heritage

Below are our recommended draft conditions for the protection of Aboriginal Heritage.

Aboriginal Heritage

1. All reasonable steps must be taken so as not to harm, modify or otherwise impact Aboriginal objects except as authorised by this approval.
2. The Registered Aboriginal Parties (RAPs) must be kept informed about the SSD. The RAPs must continue to be provided with the opportunity to be consulted about the Aboriginal cultural heritage management requirements of the SSD.
3. An Unexpected Aboriginal Finds Procedure must be developed in consultation with RAPs for inclusion in the Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP). This procedure must include:
 - a. A minimum 20 m no-works buffer zone for any unexpected finds or skeletal material.
 - b. A notification requirement to Heritage NSW and the Department of Planning for any unexpected finds.