

9 November 2021

Madeleine Lloyd
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Dear Madeleine

Re: Lang Walker AO Medical Research Building – Macarthur: DPIE feedback

Our Ref: Matter 35567

Biosis has been commissioned by Walker Corporation to provide a letter response to the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment's (DPIE) initial comments, in regards the heritage components of the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the proposed Lang Walker AO Medical Research Building. The EIS was submitted in October 2021.

In regards to the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment (ACHA) report, DPIE has provided the following comment:

A complete Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment Report (ACHAR) must be submitted as part of the EIS (noting that the current preliminary Archaeological Assessment does not include any consultation with Registered Aboriginal Parties or information on how the consultation process has informed the incorporation of heritage interpretation elements).

As specified in the Archaeological Survey Report (ASR), submitted as part of the EIS in October 2021, in order to enable Walker Corporation to lodge the EIS within the original deliverable timeframes, an ASR was submitted in lieu of an ACHA, with the ACHA concurrently being undertaken. At the time of submission, Stage 2 and 3 Aboriginal consultation was still being conducted, therefore the ACHA report was not able to be submitted.

Stage 4 Aboriginal consultation is due to commence by 10 November 2021. After the 28 review period has closed, the final ACHA document will be provided to Walker Corporation and DPIE for assessment, which will incorporate all consultation undertaken and mitigation measures associated with the responses received. At this stage, it is estimated that this report will be delivered in early December 2021.

Please contact me if you have any further enquiries.

Yours sincerely



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