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Subject: Heritage NSW - ACH - EIS - Talavera Road Data Centre Campus Expansion (SSD-24299707) (City of Ryde)
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Dear Patrick,

Heritage NSW has reviewed Appendix 30 - Macquarie Park Data Centre Campus IC3 Super West, 17-23 Talavera Road, Macquarie Park, Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment Report (ACHAR), Ryde LGA, Report to GIDDIS Pty Ltd, Artefact Heritage, December 2021, as requested.

Heritage NSW understands that proposed Macquarie Park Data Centre Campus, involves the construction and operation of a data centre, involving earth works, provision of infrastructure and expansion of an existing data centre at 17 - 23 Talavera Road, Macquarie Park (Lot 527 DP 752035), in the Ryde Local government Area. The proposal includes an extension to the approved data centre (LDA/2018/0322) to allow for additional data storage capacity at the subject site, improving the overall operational efficiencies and provision of technology services to customers and the wider locality. The proposal was awarded status as a State Significant Development by the Department of Planning Industry and Environment (DPIE) on 12 August 2021 (SSD-24299707).

Heritage NSW notes that the ACHAR concluded that the study area had nil to low potential to retain Aboriginal cultural heritage sites or objects, and the consultation with the Aboriginal community supported these findings. Based on the results of the assessment provided in the ACHAR the following recommendations were made:

- As the study area was found to be disturbed and to have a nil-low potential for Aboriginal objects to be located within it, it is recommended that further archaeological assessment is not required.
- If changes are made to the proposal that may result in impacts to areas not assessed by this ACHAR further assessment would be required.
- Unexpected Aboriginal objects remain protected by the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974*. If any such objects, or potential objects, are uncovered in the course of the activity, all work in the vicinity should cease immediately. A qualified archaeologist should be contacted to assess the find and Heritage NSW and Metropolitan LALC must be notified, and
- If human remains, or suspected human remains, are found in the course of the activity, all work in the vicinity should cease, the site should be secured, and the NSW Police and Heritage NSW should be notified.

Heritage NSW concurs with the findings of the ACHAR and supports all the recommendations made in relation to the management of Aboriginal cultural heritage and the development of the Talavera Road Data Centre Campus Expansion (SSD-24299707). If you require any further information, please contact me directly. I will upload our advice to the MPP shortly.

Regards
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