From: To: Megan Fu

Subject: Heritage NSW - ACH - EIS - Alexandria Health Centre (SSD-38600121) (City of Sydney)

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## Dear Megan,

Heritage NSW has reviewed the Appendix Y of the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) of the Alexandria Health Centre with respect to Aboriginal cultural heritage (ACH). Heritage NSW understands that Urbis were engaged by Alexandria Property Development Pty Ltd, to conduct an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment Report (ACHAR), 28-32 Bourke Road, Alexandria. The ACHAR will support a three stage State Significant Development Application (SSD-38600121), which seeks approval to redevelop the 'Alexandria Health Centre', comprising medical centre uses and anchored by a mental health hospital.

Heritage NSW notes that Stage 1 of the SSDA is for the concept envelope of the building, which will be followed by a design competition for the design of the building. No physical works are proposed under the Stage 1 SSDA. Stage 2 of the SSDA will seek approval for the detailed design of the building and its construction. The ACHAR has been undertaken to investigate whether development of the subject area will harm Aboriginal objects or places that may exist within the subject area and determine whether the subject area presents any Aboriginal archaeological and heritage constraints.

Heritage NSW notes that the ACHAR recommends the following:

- Consultation with the Registered Aboriginal Parties (RAPs) should continue until the finalisation of the proposed development to ensure the opportunity for community input.
- As suggested by the RAPs during the consultation process, native planting should be considered within the proposal at Stage 2 of the SSDA.
- Any physical works in the subject area that impact undisturbed subsurface soil below a depth of 0.6m/1.9m should be further investigated to understand if Aboriginal archaeological resources are present.

Heritage NSW concurs with the recommendations of the ACHAR, and has no additional concerns or comments in relation to the proposed development proceeding.

If you require any further information please contact me directly.

**Kind Regards** Nicole Davis

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I acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land and pay respects to Elders past and present. I also acknowledge all the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander staff working with NSW Government at this time.