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Dear Peter

Exhibition of DA for Norwest Private Hospital Expansion (SSD 13_6074)

Reference is made to your letter dated 6 December 2013 to the Heritage Division inviting comments and advice on recommended conditions of consent on the above mentioned proposal that involves the expansion of the hospital with the construction of a new three level wing addition above the ground level car park.

There are no local or state heritage items located on the development site, however, the site is located in the vicinity of a heritage item listed on the State Heritage Register – *Bella Vista Farm* at Elizabeth Macarthur Drive, Bella Vista (SHR no. 00754). The proposed new wing will be located behind the existing medical centre when viewed from Bella Vista Farm.

The Heritage Division has reviewed the application, including the Heritage Impact Statement by Worley Parsons dated 11 November 2013, and raises no objection to the proposal as it will not have an adverse impact on the heritage significance of Bella Vista. It is noted that the proposal retains the distant views between Bella Vista (the Homestead and ridge line) and the *Pearce Family Cemetery* which is also listed on the State Heritage Register.

Whilst the proposal does not involve excavation, the Heritage Division recommends that the following archaeology condition be included as a safeguard, if approval is granted:

- Where substantial intact archaeological relics of State or local significance are discovered during ground work, the work must cease in the affected area and the Heritage Council must be notified in writing in accordance with section 146 of the *Heritage Act 1977*. Depending on the nature of the discovery, additional assessment may be required prior to the recommencement of ground work in the affected area.

Should you wish to discuss any of the matters raised, please contact Lily Chu on 9873 8595.

Yours sincerely

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