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GLOSSARY

Term	Definition
Aboriginal ceremony and dreaming site	Previously referred to as mythological sites, these are spiritual/story places where no physical evidence of previous use of the place may occur, e.g. natural unmodified landscape features, ceremonial or spiritual areas, men's/women's sites, dreaming (creation) tracks, marriage places etc. These are Aboriginal site features recordable on AHIMS.
Aboriginal cultural heritage	The tangible (objects) and intangible (dreaming stories, legends and places) cultural practices and traditions associated with past and present-day Aboriginal communities.
Aboriginal object	As defined in the NPW Act, any deposit, object or material evidence (not being a handicraft made for sale) relating to the Aboriginal habitation of the area that comprises NSW, being habitation before or concurrent with (or both) the occupation of that area by persons of non-Aboriginal extraction, and includes Aboriginal remains.
Aboriginal place	As defined in the NPW Act, any place declared to be an Aboriginal place (under s.84 of the NPW Act) by the Minister administering the NPW Act, by order published in the NSW Government Gazette, because the Minister is of the opinion that the place is or was of special significance with respect to Aboriginal culture. It may or may not contain Aboriginal objects.
Aboriginal resource and gathering sites	Related to everyday activities such as food gathering, hunting, or collection and manufacture of materials and goods for use or trade. These are Aboriginal site features recordable on AHIMS.
AHIMS	Aboriginal Heritage Information Management System. A register of previously reported Aboriginal objects and Aboriginal places in NSW, managed under Section 90 of the NPW Act.
AHIP	Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit. A permit issued under Section 90, Division 2 of Part 6 of the NPW Act.
Archaeology	The scientific study of material remains of past human life, including artefacts, relics, ruins, buildings and their environment and context.
Art	Art is found in shelters, overhangs and across rock formations. Techniques include painting, drawing, scratching, carving engraving, pitting, conjoining, abrading and the use of a range of binding agents and the use of natural pigments obtained from clays, charcoal and plants. These are Aboriginal site features recordable on AHIMS.
Artefact	Objects such as stone tools, and associated flaked material, spears, manuports, grindstones, discarded stone flakes, modified glass or shell demonstrating evidence of use of the area by Aboriginal people. These are Aboriginal site features recordable on AHIMS.
Artefact scatter	Multiple artefacts associated with one another in the same context. These are recordable on AHIMS as 'artefacts'.
Burial	A traditional or contemporary (post-contact) burial of an Aboriginal person, which may occur outside designated cemeteries and may not be marked, e.g. in caves, marked by stone cairns, in sand areas, along creek banks etc. These are Aboriginal site features recordable on AHIMS.

Term	Definition
Ceremonial ring	A Raised earth ring associated with ceremony. These are Aboriginal site features recordable on AHIMS.
Cliff	A steep rock face
Code of Practice	<i>Code of Practice for Archaeological Investigation of Aboriginal Objects in New South Wales</i> (DECCW 2010b).
Conflict site	Previously referred to as massacre sites where confrontations occurred between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people, or between different Aboriginal groups. These are Aboriginal site features recordable on AHIMS.
DECCW	Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water NSW.
Due Diligence Code	<i>Due Diligence Code of Practice for the Protection of Aboriginal Objects in New South Wales</i> (DECCW 2010a)
Dune	As defined in the Due Diligence Code, a sand ridge or sand hill formed by the wind.
Earth mound	A mounded deposit of round to oval shape containing baked clay lumps, ash, charcoal and, usually, black or dark grey sediment. The deposit may be compacted or loose and ashy. Mounds may contain various economic remains such as mussel shell and bone as well as stone artefacts. Occasionally they contain burials. These are Aboriginal site features recordable on AHIMS.
EPA Act	<i>Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979</i> (NSW)
EPBC Act	<i>Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999</i> (Cth)
Fish trap	A modified area on watercourses where fish were trapped for short-term storage and gathering. These are Aboriginal site features recordable on AHIMS.
Grinding grooves	A groove in a rock surface resulting from manufacture of stone tools such as ground edge hatchets and spears, or rounded depressions resulting from grinding of seeds and grains. These are Aboriginal site features recordable on AHIMS.
Harm	As defined in the NPW Act, to destroy, deface, damage or move an Aboriginal object or destroy, deface or damage a declared Aboriginal place. Harm may be direct or indirect (e.g. through increased visitation or erosion). Harm does not include something that is trivial or negligible.
Habitation structure	Structures constructed by Aboriginal people for short- or long-term shelter. Temporary structures are commonly preserved away from the coastline and may include historic camps of contemporary significance. Smaller structures may make use of natural materials such as branches, logs and bark sheets or manufactured materials such as corrugated iron to form shelters. Archaeological remains of a former structure such as chimney/fireplace, raised earth building platform, excavated pits, rubble mounds etc. These are Aboriginal site features recordable on AHIMS.
Headland	A narrow piece of coastal land that projects from a coastline into the sea or ocean
Hearth	Aboriginal site feature recordable on AHIMS. Cultural deposit sometimes marked by hearth stones, usually also contains charcoal and may also contain heat treated stone fragments.
Isolated find	A single artefact found in an isolated context. These are recordable on AHIMS as 'artefacts'.

Term	Definition
Modified Trees	Trees which show the marks of modification as a result of cutting of bark from the trunk for use in the production of shields, canoes, boomerangs, burials shrouds, for medicinal purposes, foot holds etc, or alternately intentional carving of the heartwood of the tree to form a permanent marker to indicate ceremonial use/significance of a nearby area, again these carvings may also act as territorial or burial markers. These are Aboriginal site features recordable on AHIMS.
Non-human bone and organic material	Objects which can be found within cultural deposits as components of an Aboriginal site such as fish or mammal bones, ochres, cached objects which may otherwise have broken down such as resin, twine, dilly bags, nets etc. These are Aboriginal site features recordable on AHIMS.
NPW Act	<i>National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974</i>
NPW Regulation	<i>National Parks and Wildlife Regulation 2019</i>
Ochre quarry	A source of ochre used for ceremonial occasions, burials, trade and artwork. These are Aboriginal site features recordable on AHIMS.
PAD	A 'potential archaeological deposit'. An area where Aboriginal objects may occur below the ground surface. These are Aboriginal site features recordable on AHIMS.
Ridge	A compound landform element comprising a narrow crest that is longer than its width
Ridge top (or ridgeline)	The crest of a ridge that extends along its highest contours
Shell	An accumulation or deposit of shellfish from beach, estuarine, lacustrine or riverine species resulting from Aboriginal gathering and consumption. Usually found in deposits previously referred to as 'shell middens.' These are Aboriginal site features recordable on AHIMS.
SSDA	State Significant Development Application, under Division 4.7 of the EP&A Act
Stone arrangement	Human produced arrangements of stone usually associated with ceremonial activities, or used as markers for territorial limits or to mark/protect burials. These are Aboriginal site features recordable on AHIMS.
Stone quarry	A source of stone which was quarried and used for the production of stone tools by Aboriginal people. These are Aboriginal site features recordable on AHIMS.
Waterhole	A source of fresh water for Aboriginal groups which may have traditional ceremonial or dreaming significance and/or may also be used to the present day as a rich resource gathering area (e.g. waterbirds, eels, clays, reeds etc). These are Aboriginal site features recordable on AHIMS.
Waters	As defined in the Due Diligence Code, the whole or any part of any river, stream, lake, lagoon, swamp, wetlands, natural watercourse and tidal waters (including the sea), where the boundary of tidal waters is defined as the high-water mark.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Urbis Ltd was engaged by the Council of Newington College ('the Proponent') to conduct an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment ('ACHAR') of Newington College, 200-244 and 221-235 Stanmore Road, Stanmore NSW in support of a State Significant Development Application (SSDA). The subject area comprises the Main (Senior School) Campus at Newington College legally defined as Lot 20 in DP879003, Lot 26 in DP879003, Lot 29 in DP879003, Lot 35 in DP880901 and Lot 8 in DP710369 and the Concordia Centre, immediately to the north of the Main Campus, legally known Lot A in DP109269, Lot 1 in DP49, Lot B in DP330028 and Lot 1 in DP526319 ('the subject area') (Figure 1 and Figure 2).

The present ACHAR report addresses Item 20 (Concept Proposal) and Item 22 (Stage 1 Works) of the Planning Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARs) for SSD-78268465, which were issued on 28 October 2025.

The ACHAR was undertaken in accordance with the requirements of regs. 60 and 61 of the *National Parks and Wildlife Regulation 2019* (NSW) and the following guidelines:

- *Applying for an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit guide for applicants* (OEH 2011a)
- *Guide to Investigating, Assessing and Reporting on Aboriginal Cultural Heritage in NSW* (OEH 2011b) ('the Assessment Guidelines').
- *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents 2010* (DECCW 2010a) ('the Consultation Guidelines')
- *Code of Practice for Archaeological Investigation of Aboriginal Objects in New South Wales* (DECCW 2010b) ('the Code of Practice').

The aim of the ACHAR is to investigate whether future development of the subject area is likely to impact any Aboriginal objects or Aboriginal places that may exist within the subject area and to formulate measures for avoiding or minimising any such impacts.

The ACHAR concluded that:

Conclusion 1 – Known Aboriginal Objects and Places

- There are no known Aboriginal objects or places located within the curtilage of the subject area.

Conclusion 2 – Sensitive Landscape Features

- The subject area does not contain, nor is it located within the vicinity of, any sensitive landscape features under the Due Diligence Code.

Conclusion 3 – Ground Disturbance

- The subject area has been impacted by **high historical ground disturbance** caused by the clearance of vegetation, agricultural land use, earthworks, the construction and demolition of buildings, installation of the underground pressure shaft tunnels and landscaping in shallow soils.

Conclusion 4 – Archaeological Potential

- The subject area has **Very Low-Low potential** to retain Aboriginal objects.

Conclusion 5 – Significance Assessment

- The subject area is assessed as having low Aboriginal heritage significance for its social and cultural value

Conclusion 6 – Impact Assessment

- As there are no known Aboriginal objects within the subject area and it is unlikely to retain any as yet unknown Aboriginal objects, the proposed physical works are unlikely to cause either direct or indirect harm to Aboriginal objects or negatively impact inter-generational equity. Based on the above conclusions, Urbis recommends the following:
 - **Recommendation 1 – Submission of Report**

A copy of this report should be submitted with the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) in support of SSD-78268465.

▪ **Recommendation 2 – No Further Archaeological Investigation**

As the proposed works are unlikely to cause harm to Aboriginal objects, it is recommended that no further investigation is required for the present development. The proposed development can proceed in line with the Archaeological Unexpected Finds Procedure and Human Remains Procedure outlined below.

▪ **Recommendation 3 – Unexpected Archaeological Finds Procedure**

Should any archaeological deposits be uncovered during any site works, the following steps must be followed:

1. All works within the vicinity of the find must immediately stop and the location cordoned off with signage installed to stop any accidental impact to the finds. The find must not be moved 'out of the way' without assessment.
2. The site supervisor or another nominated site representative must contact either the project archaeologist (if relevant) or Heritage NSW (Enviroline 131 555) to contact a suitably qualified archaeologist.
3. The nominated archaeologist must examine the find, provide a preliminary assessment of significance, record the item and decide on appropriate management measures. Such management may require further consultation with Heritage NSW, preparation of a research design and archaeological investigation/salvage methodology and registration of the find with the Aboriginal Heritage Information Management System (AHIMS).
4. Depending on the significance of the find, reassessment of the archaeological potential of the subject area may be required and further archaeological investigation undertaken.
5. Reporting may need to be prepared regarding the find and approved management strategies.
6. Works in the vicinity of the find can only recommence upon receipt of approval from Heritage NSW.

▪ **Recommendation 4 – Human Remains Procedure**

In the unlikely event that human remains are uncovered during the proposed works, the following steps must be followed:

1. All works within the vicinity of the find must immediately stop and the location cordoned off with signage installed to stop any accidental impact to the finds.
2. The site supervisor or other nominated manager must notify the NSW Police and Heritage NSW (Enviroline 131 555).
3. The find must be assessed by the NSW Police, which may include the assistance of a qualified forensic anthropologist.
4. Management recommendations are to be formulated by the NSW Police, Heritage NSW and site representatives.
5. Works are not to recommence until the find has been appropriately managed.

1. INTRODUCTION

Urbis was engaged by the Council of Newington College ('the Proponent') to conduct an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment ('ACHAR') of Newington College, 200-244 and 221-235 Stanmore Road, Stanmore NSW. The subject area comprises the Main Campus at Newington College legally defined as Lot 20 in DP879003, Lot 26 in DP879003, Lot 29 in DP879003, Lot 35 in DP880901 and Lot 8 in DP710369 and the Concordia Centre legally known Lot A in DP109269, Lot 1 in DP49, Lot B in DP330028 and Lot 1 in DP526319 ('the subject area') (Figure 1 and Figure 2).

The ACHAR is being prepared to support a State Significant Development Application ('SSDA') which seeks approval for the Concept Proposal and detailed Stage 1 works involving alterations and additions to the subject area for new teaching and recreational facilities. Approval is being sought for the development via a State Significant Development Application (SSD-78268465), under Division 4.7 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (NSW). The present ACHAR has been prepared to meet Item 20 (Concept Proposal) and Item 22 (Stage 1 Works) of the Planning Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARs) issued on 28 October 2025 which is presented in Table 1 below.

Table 1 – SEARs requirements

Item	Requirement	Documentation
20 (Concept Approval) & 22 (Stage 1 Works)	- Provide an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment Report (ACHAR) prepared in accordance with relevant guidelines, identifying, describing and assessing any concept development and Stage 1 works impacts for any Aboriginal cultural heritage values or sites. - The ACHAR must be prepared in accordance with the Guide to investigating, assessing and reporting on Aboriginal cultural heritage in NSW (2011) and the Code of Practice for Archaeological Investigation of Aboriginal Objects in NSW (2010). The ACHAR must include results of archaeological survey/s and test excavations (where required), undertaken in accordance with the relevant standards and requirements. - The ACHAR must include evidence of adequate and continuous consultation with Aboriginal Parties in relation to determining and assessing impacts, identifying and selecting options for avoidance of impacts to Aboriginal cultural heritage and identifying appropriate mitigations measures, as outlined in the Aboriginal cultural heritage consultation requirements for proponents (2010).	Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment Report (ACHAR)

The ACHAR was undertaken in accordance with the requirements of regs. 60 and 61 of the *National Parks and Wildlife Regulation 2019* (NSW) and the following guidelines:

- *Applying for an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit guide for applicants* (OEH 2011a)
- *Guide to Investigating, Assessing and Reporting on Aboriginal Cultural Heritage in NSW* (OEH 2011b) ('the Assessment Guidelines').

- *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents 2010* (DECCW 2010a) ('the Consultation Guidelines')
- *Code of Practice for Archaeological Investigation of Aboriginal Objects in New South Wales* (DECCW 2010b) ('the Code of Practice').

The aim of the ACHAR is to investigate whether future development of the subject area is likely to impact any Aboriginal objects or Aboriginal places that may exist within the subject area and to formulate measures for avoiding or minimising any such impacts.

1.1. SUBJECT AREA

The subject area is located at Newington College, 200 - 244 Stanmore Road and 221-235 Stanmore Road, Stanmore, NSW. The subject area comprises of the Main Campus and Concordia Building legally referred to as Lot 20 in DP879003, Lot 26 in DP879003, Lot 29 in DP879003, Lot 35 in DP880901, Lot 8 in DP710369, Lot A in DP109269, Lot 1 in DP49, Lot B in DP330028 and Lot 1 in DP52639. The subject area is located within the Inner West Council Local Government Area (LGA) and within the administrative bounds of the Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council (MLALC). The subject area is located approximately 5km southwest of the Sydney CBD. The main campus site is a regular shaped allotment with an area of 8.7ha and the Concordia Centre is irregular in shape and 2,896m². The Main Campus includes existing school buildings primarily along College Lane and Newington Road frontages. The remainder of the site comprises at grade car parking, sporting ovals and facilities. The Concordia Centre site includes a three-storey teaching, services and amenities building with basement car park and at grade car parking in the eastern portion.

The subject area is bounded by and has primary frontages to Newington Road and Stanmore Road. The area surrounding the site is primarily zones as R2- Low Density Residential. The Main Campus is currently zoned as R2 - Low Density Residential, RE2 – Private Recreation and SP2 – Infrastructure.

1.2. PROPOSED ACTIVITY

The SSDA seeks consent for staged alterations and additions to the Newington College Senior Campus comprising:

Concept Proposal for the provision of new and upgraded facilities, including:

- Building envelope for the redevelopment of Sevington Courts to accommodate recreational facilities and teaching spaces
- Building envelope for alterations and additions to Centenary Hall and development of an adjoining, four storey teaching and learning facility (College Lane building). This development will accommodate a cafeteria and dining hall, lecture theatre, multi-purpose teaching spaces and additional pastoral spaces.
- Building envelope for the redevelopment of the Concordia building to accommodate a performance theatre, multi-purpose gallery and exam centre, new teaching spaces and basement car parking. The Concordia redevelopment includes a new pedestrian bridge across Stanmore Road to the main campus.
- Landscaping design strategy across the campus.
- Car parking provision and circulation arrangements.
- Increase of 368 students and 45 full-time equivalent (FTE) staff.

Detailed Stage 1 Works, including:

- Earthworks and the associated demolition of Sevington Courts.
- Construction, fit-out and operation of 3 storey building comprising multi-purpose indoor and rooftop courts, fitness centre, multi-purpose teaching spaces, amenities and basement car parking.
- Construction, fit-out and operation of 4 storey building comprising multi-purpose teaching spaces, administrative functions and amenities.
- Alterations to the existing driveway within the site to facilitate vehicle access to the new basement car park.
- Temporary car park during construction phase of Stage 1 Works.
- Tree removal and new landscaping adjacent to the Stage 1 development site.

- Increase of 368 students and 45 FTE staff.

Plans of the development are shown in Figure 3 to Figure 8 below.

1.3. STATUTORY CONTEXT

The protection and management of Aboriginal cultural heritage items, places and archaeological sites within New South Wales is governed by the relevant Commonwealth, State or local government legislation. These are discussed below in relation to the present subject area.

1.3.1. Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999

The *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (Cth) ('the EPBC Act') provides protection for properties and places listed on the World Heritage List ('WHL'), the National Heritage List ('NHL') and the Commonwealth Heritage List ('CHL').

The WHL is a list of properties around the world considered to be of outstanding value to humanity, the NHL is a list of places of outstanding significance to the nation and the CHL is a list heritage places owned or controlled by the Australian Government. The WHL, NHL and CHL may include properties and places of Aboriginal heritage significance, in addition to places of natural and historical significance.

It is an offence under sections 15A, 15C, 27A and 27C of the EPBC Act to take any action that is likely to have a significant impact of the relevant heritage values of a place listed on the WHL, NHL or CHL. Approval from the Minister is required for controlled actions which will have a significant impact on items and places included on the WHL, NHL or CHL.

Properties and places listed on the WHL, NHL or CHL, are included in the Australian Heritage Database ('AHD'). The AHD also includes places under consideration, or that may have been considered, for any one of these lists.

A search of the AHD was undertaken on 23 October 2024. The search did not identify any Aboriginal heritage properties or places within the curtilage of the subject area that are protected under the EPBC Act.

1.3.2. National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974

The *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974* (NSW) ('the NPW Act') protects 'Aboriginal objects' and 'Aboriginal places' in NSW. The NPW Act defines 'Aboriginal objects' and 'Aboriginal places' as follows:

- **Aboriginal object** means any deposit, object or material evidence (not being a handicraft made for sale) relating to the Aboriginal habitation of the area that comprises New South Wales, being habitation before or concurrent with (or both) the occupation of that area by persons of non-Aboriginal extraction and includes Aboriginal remains.
- **Aboriginal place** means any place, which may or may not contain Aboriginal objects, that is declared to be an Aboriginal place under section 84 of the NPW Act because it is or was of special significance with respect to Aboriginal culture.

Under section 86 of the NPW Act, it is an offence to harm or desecrate an Aboriginal object or Aboriginal place. Section 87 of the NPW Act provides the following defences to prosecution under s. 86 of the NPW Act:

- The harm was to a previously unknown Aboriginal object, other than a modified tree, and was caused by a low impact activity as defined in reg. 58 of the NPW Reg.
- The harm was to a previously unknown Aboriginal object and due diligence was exercised by the Proponent to determine whether the activity would harm an Aboriginal object and reasonably determined that no Aboriginal object would be harmed, per section 87(2) of the NPW Act.
- The harm or desecration was authorised by an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit ('AHIP'), per section 87(1) of the NPW Act.
- The harm or desecration was authorised by an approved State Significant Development Application, per section 4.41(1)(d) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (NSW).

The present ACHAR has been undertaken to support to support a State Significant Development Application (SSD-78268465) which seeks approval for the proposed development outlined in Section 1.2.

1.3.3. Inner West Council Local Environment Plan 2022

There are no known Aboriginal sites or places listed under Schedule 5 Part 3 of the Inner West Council LEP 2022 for the subject area.

1.4. AUTHORSHIP

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1.5. LIMITATIONS

The ACHAR is limited to consideration of Aboriginal objects and places. Historical heritage properties and places protected under the EPBC Act and historical heritage items and relics protected under the *Heritage Act 1977* (NSW) are not considered.

The ACHAR was limited to desktop assessment and archaeological survey.

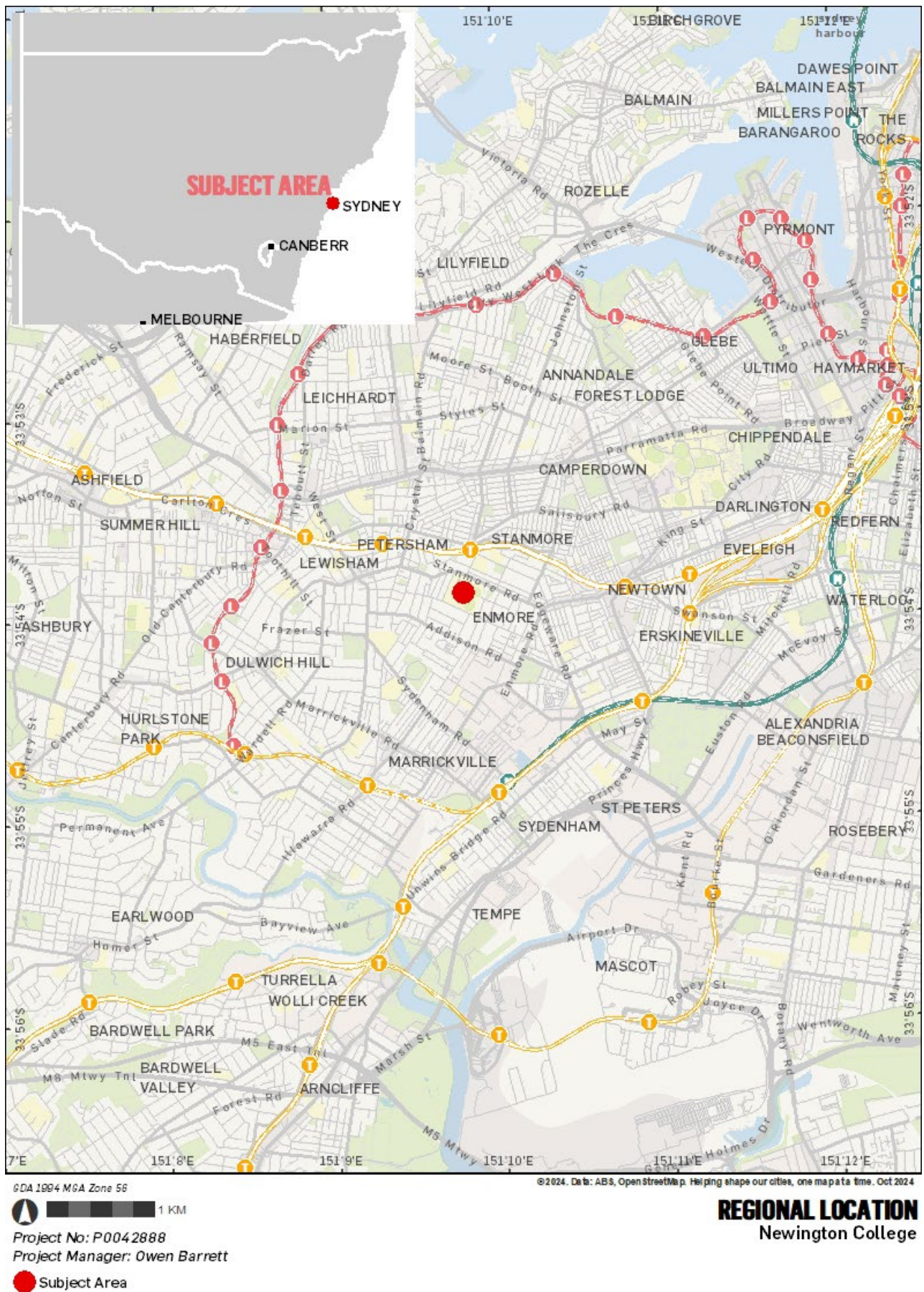


Figure 1 – Regional location of the subject area



Figure 2 – Location of the subject area



Figure 3 - Existing Site Plan.

Source: AJC Architects, 2025.

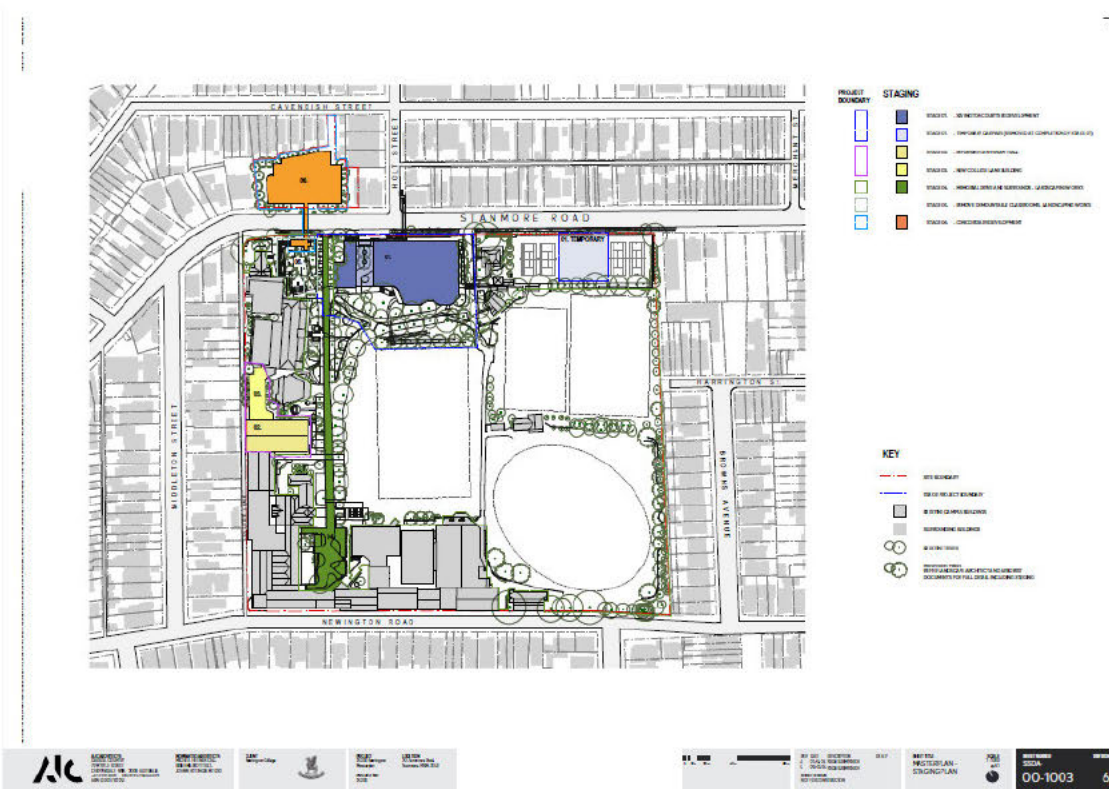


Figure 4 – Proposed Site Plan.

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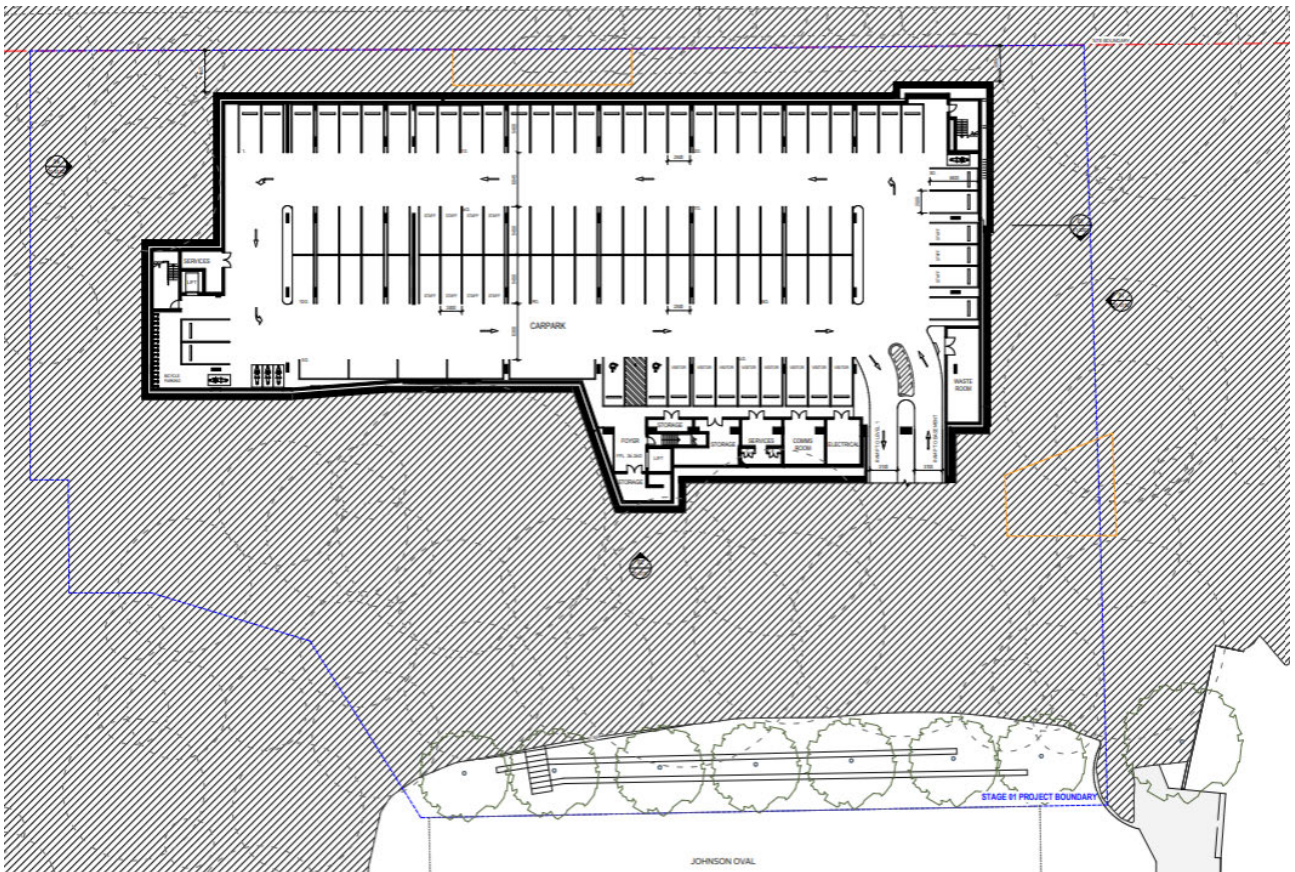


Figure 5 – Basement Floor Plan, Sevington Building.

Source: AJC Architects, 2025.



Figure 6 – North and South Elevations, Sevington Building.

Source: AJC Architects, 2025.

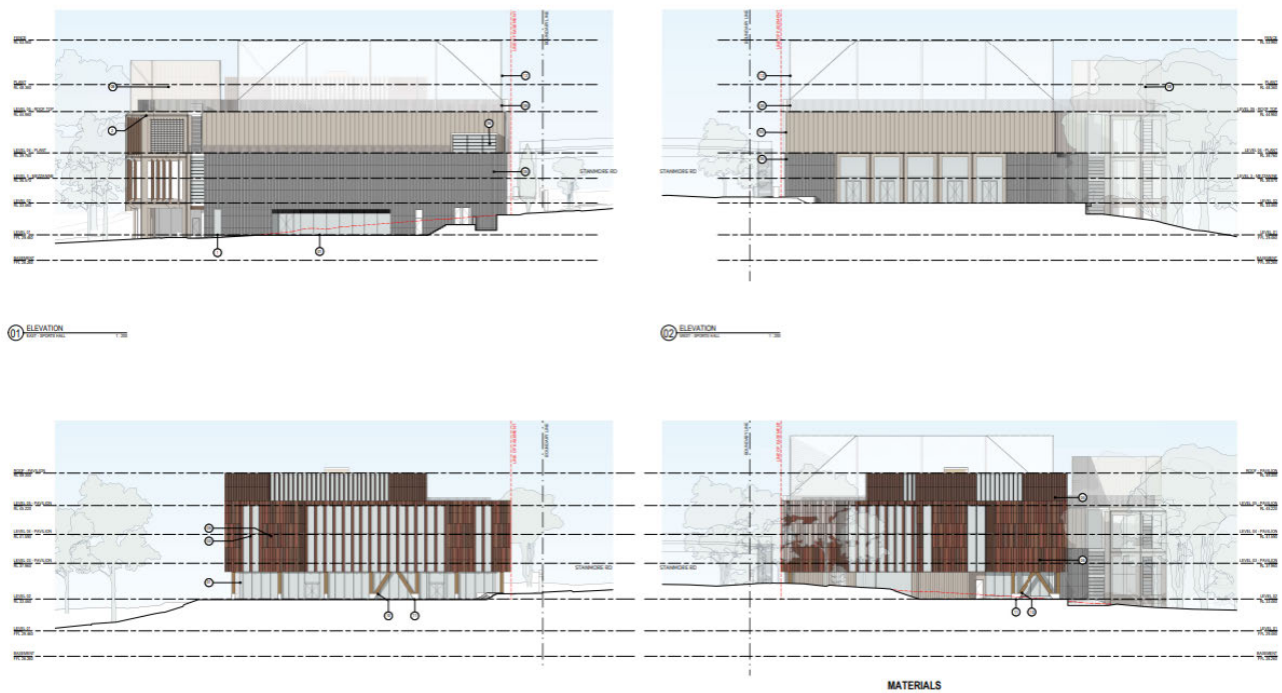


Figure 7 – East and West Elevations, Sevington Building.

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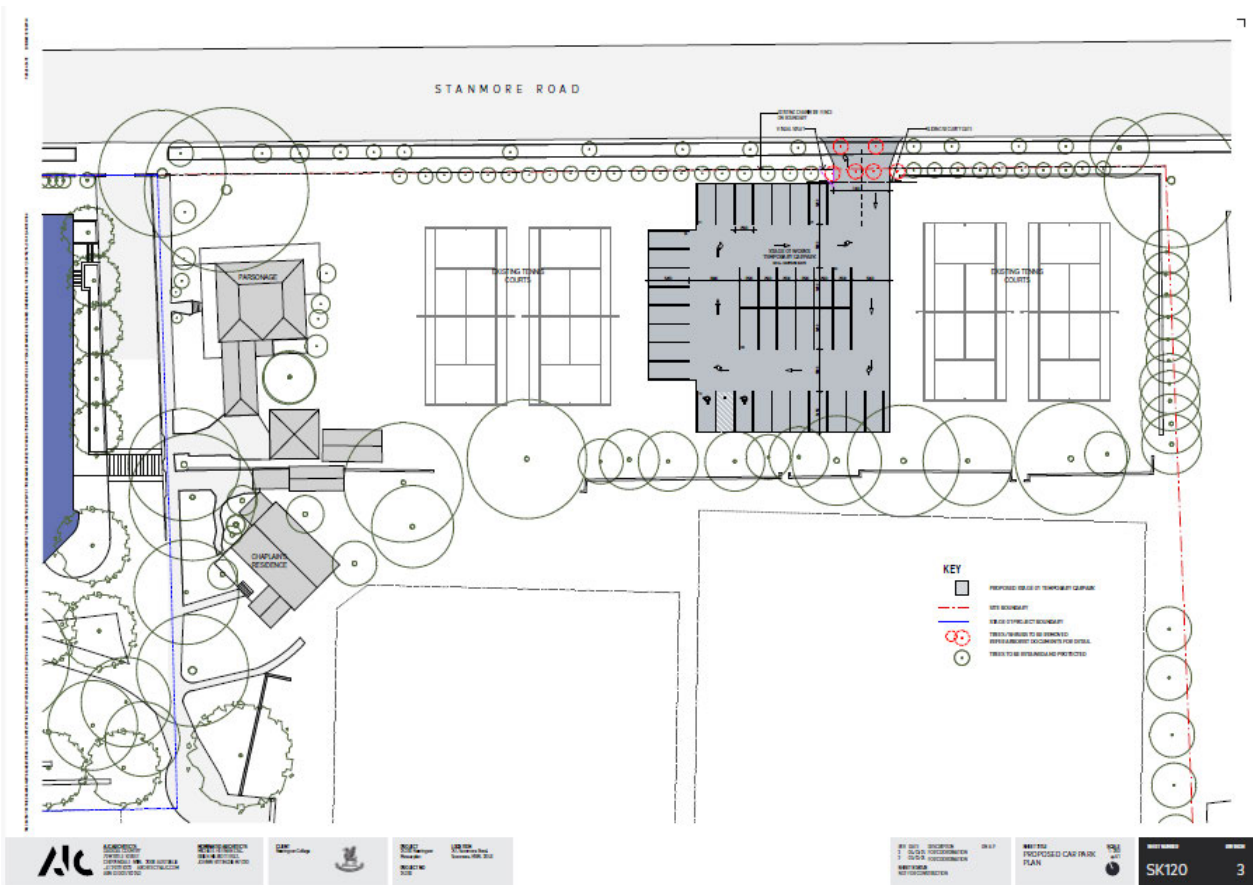


Figure 8 – Plan of temporary carpark near tennis courts.

Source: AJC Architects, 1 April 2026.

2. ABORIGINAL CONSULTATION

Consultation with the Aboriginal community is required under reg. 60 of the NPW Reg and the Consultation Requirements. The purpose of consultation with Aboriginal people is to understand their views and concerns about the proposed project and to understand the cultural values present in the area that may be harmed. Consultation ensures that Aboriginal people have the opportunity to improve assessment outcomes by providing relevant cultural information, influencing assessment methodology, contributing to the development of cultural heritage management options and reviewing and commenting the draft assessment report.

The Consultation Requirements outline a four-stage consultation process that includes the following:

- Stage 1 – Notification of project proposal and registration of interest.
- Stage 2 – Presentation of information about the proposed project.
- Stage 3 – Gathering information about the cultural significance.
- Stage 4 – Review of draft cultural heritage assessment report.

The following section documents the conduct and results of the Aboriginal consultation undertaken as part of the present assessment.

2.1. STAGE 1 – NOTIFICATION AND REGISTRATION

The aim of Stage 1 of Aboriginal consultation is to identify, notify and register Aboriginal people who hold cultural knowledge relevant to determining the cultural significance of Aboriginal objects and/or places in the subject area.

2.1.1. Native Title

A search of the National Native Title Tribunal (NNTT) registers and databases was undertaken on 27 November 2024. The search identified no pending Native Title claims or Native Title registrations for the subject area. The NNTT was also contacted by email on 7 February 2025 to request a formal search of the NNTT Register. A reply was received on 7 February 2025 indicating that there are no Native Title matters overlapping with the subject area.

2.1.2. Identification of Cultural Knowledge Holders

To identify Aboriginal people who may be interested in registering as Aboriginal parties for the project, the organisations stipulated in Section 4.1.2 of the Consultation Guidelines were contacted on 27 November 2024 (Table 2). A copy of the email sent to each of the contacted organisations is included in Appendix C. A total of 62 Aboriginal parties with a potential interest in the subject area were identified during this stage.

Table 2 – Contacted organisations

Organisation	Notification Sent	Response Received
Inner West City Council	27 November 2024	28 November 2024
Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council	27 November 2024	n/a
Greater Sydney Local Land Services	27 November 2024	2 December 2024
Heritage NSW	27 November 2024	28 November 2024
National Native Title Tribunal	02 February 2025	10 February 2025
NTS Corp	27 November 2024	n/a
Office of the Registrar, Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983	27 November 2024	29 November 2024

Letters were sent to the 62 identified Aboriginal parties by either email or mail on 12 December 2024 to notify them of the proposed project. The letters included a brief introduction to the project and the project location

including a map of the subject area and set a deadline for response of 27 December 2024, providing 14 days to register an interest. A copy of the letter is included in Appendix C.

A search of an online database of local newspapers ('newspapers.com.au') was undertaken to identify local newspapers within the area. The search identified no local print newspapers. An advertisement was placed online through "Buy, Search, Sell" with national circulation through Nationwide News. The advertisement was published online on 12 December 2025 and registration was open until 27 December, providing 16 days to register an interest. A copy of the advertisement is included in Appendix C.

2.1.3. Registration of Interest

A total of nine Aboriginal parties registered interest in the project as a result of this phase (Table 3). The Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council was registered despite not responding. Acknowledgement emails were made by Urbis to all respondents to confirm registration had been received.

A list of the Registered Aboriginal Parties (RAPs) was provided to Heritage NSW and Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council on 6 January 2025 (see Appendix C).

Table 3 – Registered Aboriginal Parties

Registered Party	Contact
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2.2. STAGE 2 & 3 – PRESENTING AND GATHERING INFORMATION

The aim of Stages 2 and 3 of the community consultation process is to provide RAPs with information about the scope of the proposed project and the proposed ACHAR methodology, to gather feedback on the proposed project and proposed methodology and to gather any cultural information that the RAPs wish to share.

2.2.1. Presentation of Project Information and Methodology

A Stage 2 & 3 information pack was sent to registered Aboriginal parties via email on 14 January 2025. The information pack was prepared as a combination of Stage 2 and 3 of the Consultation Guidelines, and included the following information:

- An outline of the proposal and an overview of the subject area.
- The proposed methodology for the ACHAR, including the impact assessment process and input points for RAPs into the investigation and assessment.
- Critical timelines and milestones for the completion of assessment activities and delivery of reports.
- Agreed roles, functions and responsibilities.

- A request for comment on methodology, recommendations for site investigation any cultural information the respondent wished to share.

A response to the Stage 2 & 3 information pack was requested by 14 February 2025, providing 28 days to respond. A copy of the Stage 2 & 3 information pack is included in Appendix C.

2.2.2. Gathering Feedback

Two responses from the RAPs were received in relation to the Stage 2 & 3 information pack. The response is included in Appendix C. These comments on the proposed methodology are addressed in Table 4 below.

Table 4 – RAP responses to the Stage 2 & 3 Information Pack

RAP	Response	Urbis Response

2.2.3. Site Visit and Meeting

A separate communication was sent on 29 January 2025 to all RAPs who had expressed an interest a schedule of rates and copies of insurances by the deadline. The communication invited the RAPs to register for a site visit and meeting to be held on 5 February 2025 as part of Stage 2 & 3 of the consultation process.

The purpose of the site inspection and meeting was to conduct a thorough briefing with the RAPs about the proposed development, to conduct a walkover of the subject area with the RAPs, to discuss the information provided in the Stage 2 & 3 information pack and to discuss potential archaeological mitigation strategies.

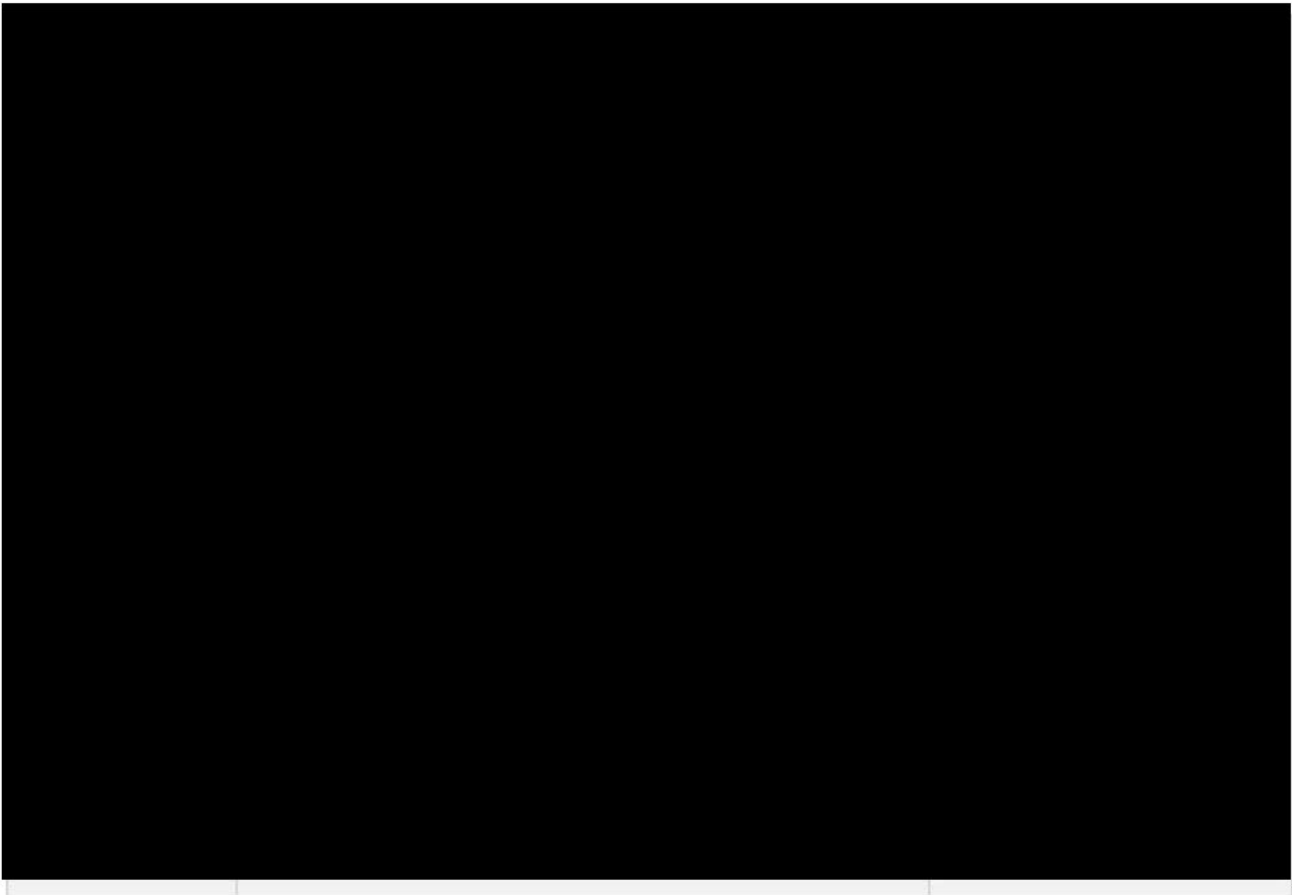
Three responses were received to the invitation to attend the site visit and meeting. The RAPs who attended the site visit and meeting are listed in Table 5 below. Relevant comments received from the RAPs during the site visit and meeting are presented and addressed in Table 6 below.

Table 5 – RAP attendees at site visit and meeting

RAP	Representative

Table 6 – RAP comments during site visit and meeting

RAP	Comment	Urbis Response



2.3. STAGE 4 – REVIEW OF DRAFT ACHAR REPORT

The aim of Stage 4 of the community consultation process is to prepare and finalise an ACHAR report with input from RAPs.

A draft of the present ACHAR was sent to RAPs via email on 10 September 2025 with comment on the draft ACHAR requested by 9 October 2025, providing 28 days to respond. No responses were received in relation to the Stage 4 draft ACHAR report.

Due to a clerical error, A1 Indigenous Services was not included in consultation emails. A1 Indigenous Services was therefore provided the Stage 2-3 Project Methodology letter and the draft ACHA on 5 December 2025 for review and comment which is included in Appendix C. On 6 January 2026, A1 Indigenous Services provided a response to the Stage 2-3 letter and draft ACHA. The comments relevant to the project methodology and draft ACHA are included in Table 7 below, as well as in Appendix C.

Table 7 – RAP comments during site visit and meeting

RAP	Comment	Urbis Response



3. DESKTOP ASSESSMENT

The aim of the desktop assessment is to determine whether any known Aboriginal objects are located within the subject and whether the subject area is likely to retain any unknown Aboriginal objects. The findings of the desktop assessment inform the archaeological survey of the subject area and contribute to the determining whether an archaeological test excavation is required.

3.1. ARCHAEOLOGICAL CONTEXT

The archaeological context of the subject area encompasses previous archaeological and ethnohistorical studies that are relevant to determining the nature and distribution of Aboriginal archaeological material within the local region and subject area and local region.

3.1.1. Aboriginal Land Use

Ethnohistorical accounts provide a basis for understanding how Aboriginal people lived prior to the arrival of Europeans and therefore the nature and distribution of archaeological material that is likely to be found in the archaeological record. Such accounts are inherently biased by the cultural norms of the observer and behavioural modifications in response to the awareness of being observed (the so-called 'Hawthorne Effect'). Nevertheless, by comparing and contrasting these observations with archaeological evidence and cultural information from the Aboriginal community, it is possible to establish a general understanding of the lives of Aboriginal people.

Prior to the arrival of Europeans in 1788, the subject area was within the traditional lands of the Cadigal or Gadigal people, which, according to ethnographic accounts, 'covered from the harbour entrance along the south shore at Port Jackson to the cove adjoining the settlement' (present day Darling Harbour) and further south to Botany Bay (Phillip 1790 in Phillip 1982). This region was traditionally known as *Gadi*, stemming from the grass tree species *Xanthorrhoea* that was utilised to make spear shafts and glued together from its resin (Botanic Gardens of Sydney 2024). As the habitation patterns of the Cadigal people closely followed the economic exploitation areas of coastal fringes and swamplands, the Lachlan swamp and associated heath lands proved a dynamic source of essential food resources. Utilised during short periods of habitation, the swamplands provided bountiful resources to the Cadigal people, allowing local populations to vary their diets with resources including shellfish, plants, roots and figs readily available. Kangaroo, possum, emus and reptiles were also hunted. Ethnographic accounts details gender-based hunting and gathering roles, with men utilising double-pronged spears during hunting and fishing activities whilst women, highly skilled at fishing, used hooks and lines to gather aquatic resources. These tools were constructed from the resources within the area, fishing lines were made from the silk of the Golden Orb Weaving spider, dried *Lomandra* leaves and Kangaroo sinew (Botanic Gardens of Sydney 2024). Ornamentation was also prevalent, with body decoration and the adorning of animal pelts during ceremonies occurring (Attenbrow 2002).

Estuarine riverbanks, rock shelters associated with waterways and open shoreline areas, provided a varied and dynamic landscape in which the local Aboriginal people could exploit for food and other resources. Evidenced in the archaeological record, the sandhill environment that characterised the Southern portion of the swamplands, was favoured for use as burial sites and permanent camp regions. Further, ethnographic accounts detail a series of landscape pathways or song lines that were utilised by the inhabiting Aboriginal groups to connect their land and Country for the purpose of trade and ceremonial practices (Randwick City Council 2024). These pathways were further used to regularly move through sedentary settlements, collecting resources, before moving on to areas befitting shorter periods of habitation and exploitation. Additionally, shelters provided canvases for rock art engravings that featured marine etchings including fish, whales and sharks, hinting at the array of marine life that was encountered within this area.

Archaeological excavation has uncovered site types that are more numerous than others, including isolated artefacts and rock art that have been associated with specific locations within the subject areas contextual landscape. These archaeological findings indicate the past use of the subject area as a region utilised for the seasonal exploitation of resources connected to the estuarine and swampland environments.

Based on the above background, it is possible that similar evidence of Aboriginal occupation will also be present within original and/or intact topsoils within the present subject area.

3.1.2. Declared Aboriginal Places

The NSW State Heritage Inventory (SHI) includes all declared Aboriginal places within NSW, in addition to historic heritage items listed on the State Heritage Register (SHR), listed Interim Heritage Orders (IHOs) and items listed on Local Environment Plans (LEPs) and State Environmental Planning Policies (SEPPs).

A search of the SHI was undertaken on 5 November 2024. The search identified one historical heritage item within the curtilage of the subject area (Item no. A34- *Newington archaeological site*). However, historical heritage items are outside the scope of this report and are being addressed in a separate report (Urbis 2025, in prep).

3.1.3. Registered Aboriginal Objects

The Aboriginal Heritage Information Management System (AHIMS) is a database of registered Aboriginal sites in NSW. Each registered Aboriginal site includes one or more site 'features', which may be considered an Aboriginal object under the NPW Act. An Aboriginal site may include one or more site features.

The *Guide to completing the AHIMS Site Recording Form* (OEH 2012) lists 20 different features that may be recorded on AHIMS. The most common site features registered in NSW are artefacts, modified trees, art, grinding grooves and shell deposits (see Glossary for definitions). However, the likelihood of any particular site feature being found will vary according to region and environment. Less common site features that are encountered are burials, ceremonial rings, earth mounds, fish traps, habitation structures, hearths, non-human bone and organic material, ochre quarries, stone arrangements and stone quarries (see Glossary for definitions).

Other Aboriginal site features that are recorded on AHIMS but are not necessarily 'Aboriginal objects' within the meaning of that term as it is defined in the NPW Act (i.e. are not a 'deposit, object or material evidence... relating to the Aboriginal habitation of the area') are potential archaeological deposits (PADs), Aboriginal ceremony and dreaming sites, Aboriginal resource and gathering sites, conflict sites and waterholes (see Glossary for definitions). These features are only considered to be 'Aboriginal objects' for the purpose of the NPW Act if accompanied by at least one of the other site types defined above.

The AHIMS database also provides information on the context of registered Aboriginal sites. Sites that are recorded as 'closed' context s are those that include a cave or rock overhang, while all other sites are recorded as 'open' context.

It should be noted that the AHIMS register does not represent a comprehensive list of all Aboriginal objects or places as it is limited to sites that have been previously identified and registered. Registration is typically the result of previous archaeological investigation, so the number of registered Aboriginal sites in area is dependent on the amount of such research previously undertaken.

3.1.4. Identified sites

A search of the Aboriginal Heritage Information Management System (AHIMS) was carried out on 23 October 2024 (AHIMS Client Service IDs: 942607 and 942657) for an area of approximately 3 km x 3 km centred on the subject area. The Basic and Extensive AHIMS search results are included in Appendix A.

The search was undertaken to determine if:

- There are any registered Aboriginal sites registered within the curtilage of the subject area.
- There are any registered Aboriginal sites near the subject area that might extend into it.
- There is any association of Aboriginal sites with certain landscape features within the broader region that may be instructive for determining the likelihood of Aboriginal sites within the subject area.

A summary of all previously registered Aboriginal objects and Aboriginal places within the search area is provided in Table 8. A total of 12 Aboriginal sites are registered in the search area. The locations of the 12 identified Aboriginal sites are shown in Figure 8 and Figure 9. No Aboriginal Objects or places were identified within the curtilage of or within 500 m of the subject area.

Each Aboriginal site is defined according to the site features it includes (e.g. artefacts, art and shell). An Aboriginal site may include one or more site features. The number and types of sites features in the search area are presented in Table 8. Among the 12 registered Aboriginal sites in the search area, a total of 16 site

features were identified of 6 different types: Aboriginal Resource and Gathering, Art, Artefact, Non-Human Bone and Organic Material, Potential Archaeological Deposit (PAD) and Shell.

Artefacts were the most common site feature within the search area, making up 44% (n=7) of overall site features. Aboriginal resource and gathering, art, shell and PADs were the next most common site features, making up 12% (n=2) each. Non-human bone and organic was the least common site feature within the search area, making up 6% (n=1) of total features.

The next most common site feature was PADs, making up 19% (n=3) of site features, followed by Aboriginal resource and gathering, art, and shell, making up 13% (n=2) each. Non-human bone and organic was the least common site feature within the search area, making up 6% (n=1) of total features.

The contexts of the registered Aboriginal sites within the AHIMS search area are also summarised in Table 8 below. Closed context sites are those that include a cave or rock overhang, while open context sites are those without a cave or rock overhang. Most registered Aboriginal sites in the search area are in an open context, representing 75% (n=9) of all sites.

The spatial distribution of registered Aboriginal sites within the subject area shows no distinct association with the natural landscape. A few sites appear to be clustered around The University of Sydney. Rather than a true representation of Aboriginal land use, this perhaps reflects a level of ongoing development and university research within the area.

Table 8 – Summary of registered Aboriginal sites in the AHIMS search area

Site Features	Open Context	Closed Context	Total	% of Features
Artefact	6	1	7	44%
PAD	2	0	2	12%
Aboriginal Resource and Gathering	2	0	2	12%
Art	0	2	2	12%
Shell	0	2	2	12%
Non-Human Bone and Organic Material	1	0	1	6%

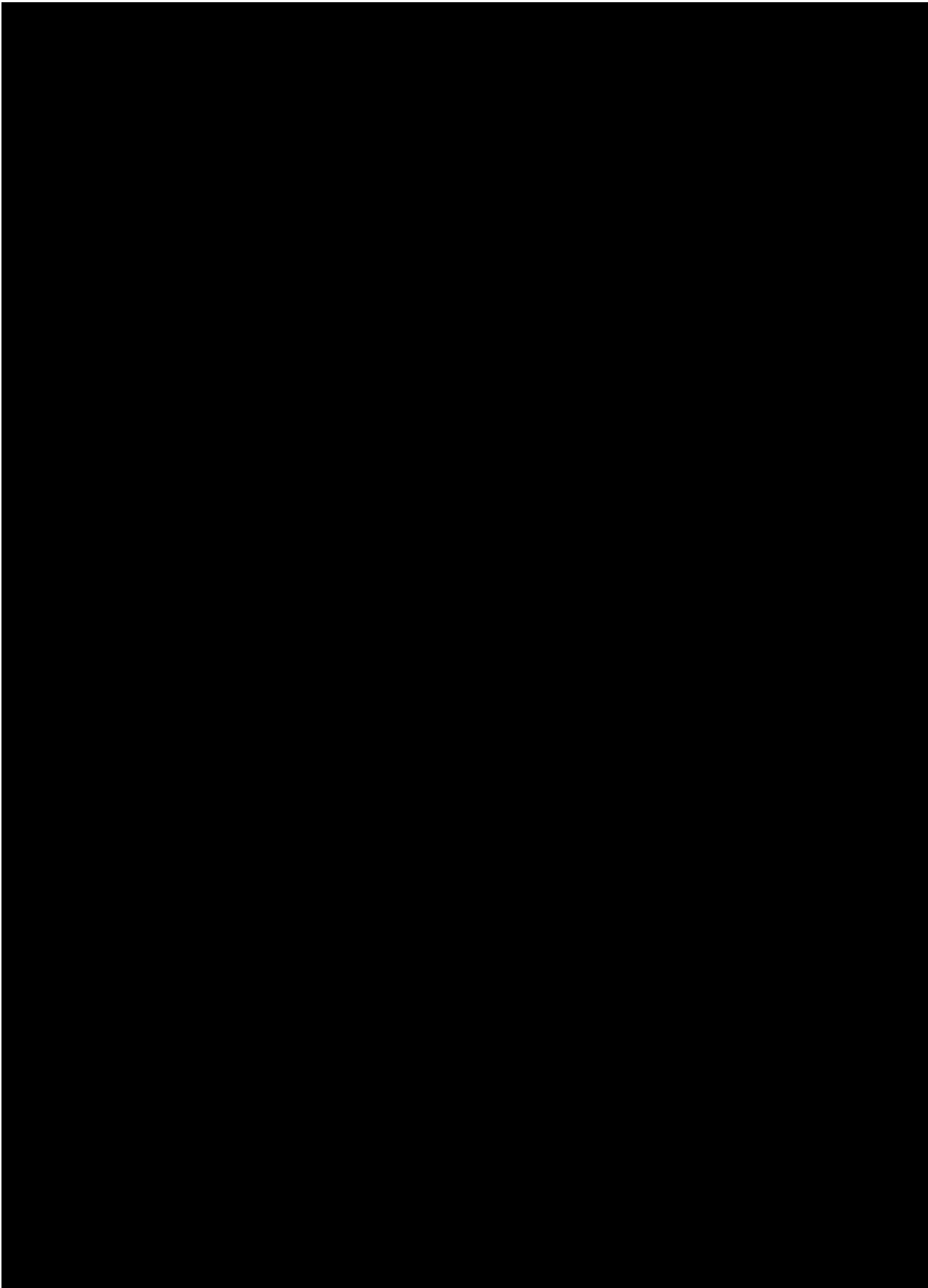


Figure 9 - Locations of registered Aboriginal site in AHIMS search area

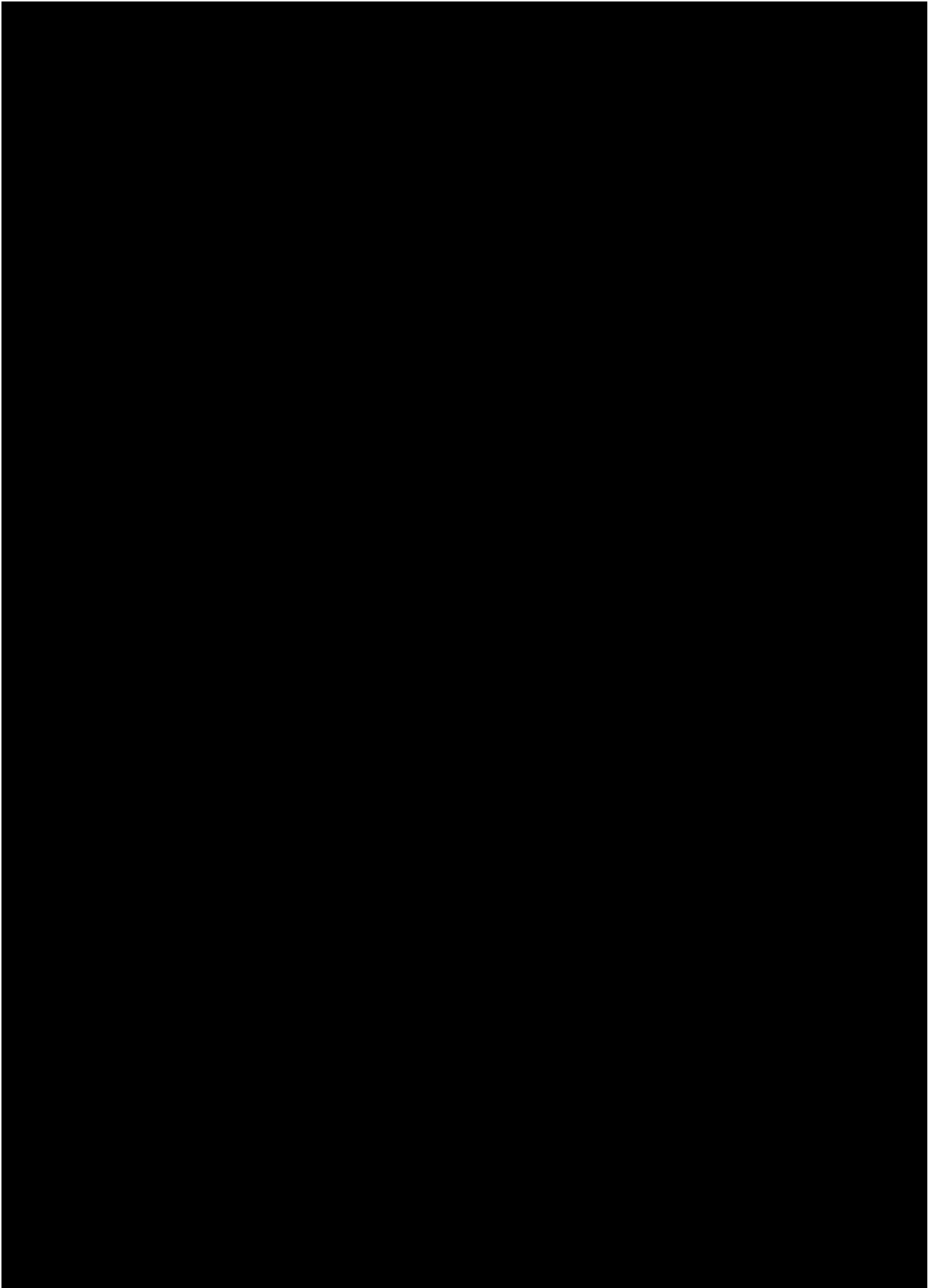


Figure 10 – Locations of registered AHIMS sites in close proximity to the subject area

3.1.5. Previous Archaeological Investigations

Previous Aboriginal archaeological investigations undertaken within or near to the subject area may provide information about known Aboriginal sites that have not previously registered on the AHIMS database. Additionally, Aboriginal archaeological investigations undertaken in the broader region may provide information on the types of archaeological site features that are likely to occur within the subject area.

3.1.5.1. Regional Investigations

Few Aboriginal archaeological investigations have been undertaken in the vicinity of the subject area. A number of investigations have been undertaken in the broader region. The most relevant investigations to the present subject area are discussed below.

Artefact (2020) undertook an archaeological investigation of the proposed Sydney Metro West, Stage 1 project. The North Strathfield metro station site is located approximately 9km west of the present subject area. The archaeological investigation involved a desktop assessment and site inspection. The investigation conducted geotechnical testing that found historic fill to a depth of 300mm overlying residual gravelling clay to a total depth of 1-1.3m. The subject site was found to occupy the Blacktown soil landscape determining that the landscape possessed limited erosion characteristics and that any surviving archaeological material was likely to remain intact. Overall, the investigation determined that the installation of underground services within the subject site had likely removed both any remaining subsurface content and the A-Horizon.

The investigation further confirmed that limited archaeological investigations had been undertaken in the broader region and therefore had limited scope of comparison. The report concluded that the overall archaeological potential of the site was low. No further archaeological investigation was recommended.

Archaeological and Heritage Management Solutions (2016) undertook an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Assessment for the University of Sydney's Camperdown campus, located approximately 2.5km northeast of the subject area. The assessment detailed a number of previous aboriginal archaeological excavations undertaken within the University of Sydney grounds. Multiple investigations generally yielded no more than one isolated stone artefact each, all within heavily disturbed or truncated landscapes. Two isolated stone artefacts are registered as Aboriginal sites on the AHIMS database within the University of Sydney, being #45-6-2822 and #45-6-2745, recorded during test excavations by Jo McDonald Cultural Heritage Management in 2005 and 2006. One contemporary AHIMS site is registered within the general vicinity of the university, being #45-6-2767, a tent embassy situated within Victoria Park listed due to its social and cultural values to Aboriginal people.

Previous archaeological investigations undertaken within the University of Sydney found landscapes highly impacted by intensive use since the 1840s, with potential archaeological deposits removed, truncated or disturbed due to high development and activity. Despite the location of the university grounds along previous rivers and swampland, little evidence of these waterways or associated Aboriginal activity within the area remains. This is of relevance to the present subject area as a site that has seen high levels of activity and development from the 1790s.

Office of Environment and Heritage (2018) undertook an archaeological investigation of Smith Hogan and Spindler's Park, Annandale NSW approximately 2.5 km northeast of the present subject area. The archaeological investigation consisted of manual and machine excavation. Previous construction works to the site had uncovered bone in a shell deposit. Bone analysis subsequently determined that the uncovered bones derived from a dingo, thought to be purposely buried in that location. The investigation methodology therefore sought to gain information on the provenance of the burial, excavate the remainder of the cranium bones and to gather insight into Aboriginal occupation within the region.

Excavation was undertaken primarily utilising hand excavation within an area of 65 x 50cm to investigate the nature of the deposit. The excavation revealed a stratigraphy comprising 120cm of historic fill that included brown sandy loam with artefacts including metal, glass and various faunal bones. A large amount of clayey material then overlaid coarse yellow sand. A bed of shell with uncovered that was of particular interest for its variety of non-food and a small selection of food shell species. The shell bed extended to a total depth of 40cm. Overall, no further bones of note or Aboriginal objects were uncovered during the excavation. The shell bed was ultimately found to be a natural accumulation derived from nearby creek mangroves. All cultural material was found to be of European origin from the fill layer. The investigation recommended that no further archaeological investigations be undertaken.

3.1.6. Existing Predictive Models

Predictive models are used to determine the likelihood of Aboriginal archaeological material being located within a particular area. A review of existing predictive models relevant to the region around subject area is relevant for formulating a predictive model for the present assessment.

The *Due Diligence Code of Practice for the Protection of Aboriginal Objects in New South Wales* (DECCW 2010c) ('The Due Diligence Code') provides an overarching predictive model for the entirety of NSW. The Due Diligence Code specifies the following 'relevant landscape features' that are considered indicative of likely past Aboriginal land use:

- Areas within 200 m of waters including freshwater and the high tide mark of shorelines.
- Areas located within a sand dune system.
- Areas located on a ridge top, ridge line or headland.
- Areas located within 200 m below or above a cliff face.
- Areas within 20 m of or in a cave, rock shelter, or a cave mouth.

Existing predictive models within the Greater Sydney area in general demonstrate that the distribution of recorded Aboriginal sites is reflected within the movement between resources and high activity regions by Aboriginal people. White and McDonald (2010) established predictive statements that include:

- A higher concentration of stone artefacts in a given region tends to be associated with higher order waterways such as freshwater, estuarine and marine areas.
- A lower concentration of artefacts in a given region were identified within landscapes located away from major water ways, suggesting isolated activity hubs that experienced different and varied economic activities.

3.2. ENVIRONMENTAL CONTEXT

The environment context of the subject area encompasses the natural landscape and the impacts of historical human activity. These aspects of the environmental context are relevant to predicting the potential for unknown Aboriginal objects occurring within the subject area.

3.2.1. Natural Landscape

The purpose of reviewing the natural landscape of the subject area is twofold. It assists in the prediction of the intensity and nature of Aboriginal land use and deposition of archaeological material in the subject area by considering the landforms and resources that would have played a part in the everyday lives of Aboriginal people. It also assists in the determining the likelihood that those material remains would have survived any natural geomorphological process or historical ground disturbance (discussed in Section 3.2.2 below).

Topography: The subject area is located on varied terrain commencing from a ridgeline to the northwest grading into upper and lower slopes in southeasterly direction (Figure 10).

Soils and Geology: The NSW Soil and Land Information System (SALIS) indicates that the subject area is located within the Blacktown soil landscape (Figure 11). The soil A-Horizon comprises friable brownish black loam (A1) overlying hard-setting brown clay loam (A2). On upper slopes A-horizon depths are anticipated to be up to 30 cm of A1 overlaying 10-20 cm of A2. On lower side slopes, A-Horizon depths are anticipated to reach up to 30cm of A1 overlaying 10-30cm of A2. The underlying geology of this soil landscape includes Wianamatta Group Ashfield shale. Rock outcrops are typically absent in the Blacktown soil landscape.

Geomorphic Activity: The mode of geomorphic activity in the subject area is erosion. Natural erosional processes, particularly water erosion, have caused displacement of topsoil and other surface material from across the entire subject area, potentially removing archaeological material.

Vegetation: Original vegetation within the Blacktown soil landscape were typified by tall open forest (wet sclerophyll forest) and open woodland (dry sclerophyll forest). Dominant species would have included Sydney blue gum (*Eucalyptus saligna*) and blackbutt (*E. pilularis*). Such species could have been subject to cultural modification.

Hydrology: Proximity to a body of water is a factor in determining archaeological potential. Areas within 200m of the whole or any part of a river, stream, lake, lagoon, swamp, wetlands, natural watercourse or the high-tide mark of shorelines (including the sea) are considered sensitive areas for Aboriginal objects and places.

The nearest natural waterway to the subject area is Johnstons Creek, which is approximately 1.8km north-east of the subject area (Figure 11). As the subject area is not within 200m of water, the hydrology of the subject area is not indicative of the potential for Aboriginal objects.

The relevance of the natural landscape for the present assessment is discussed in the application of the predictive model to determining Aboriginal archaeological potential in Section 3.4.2 below.

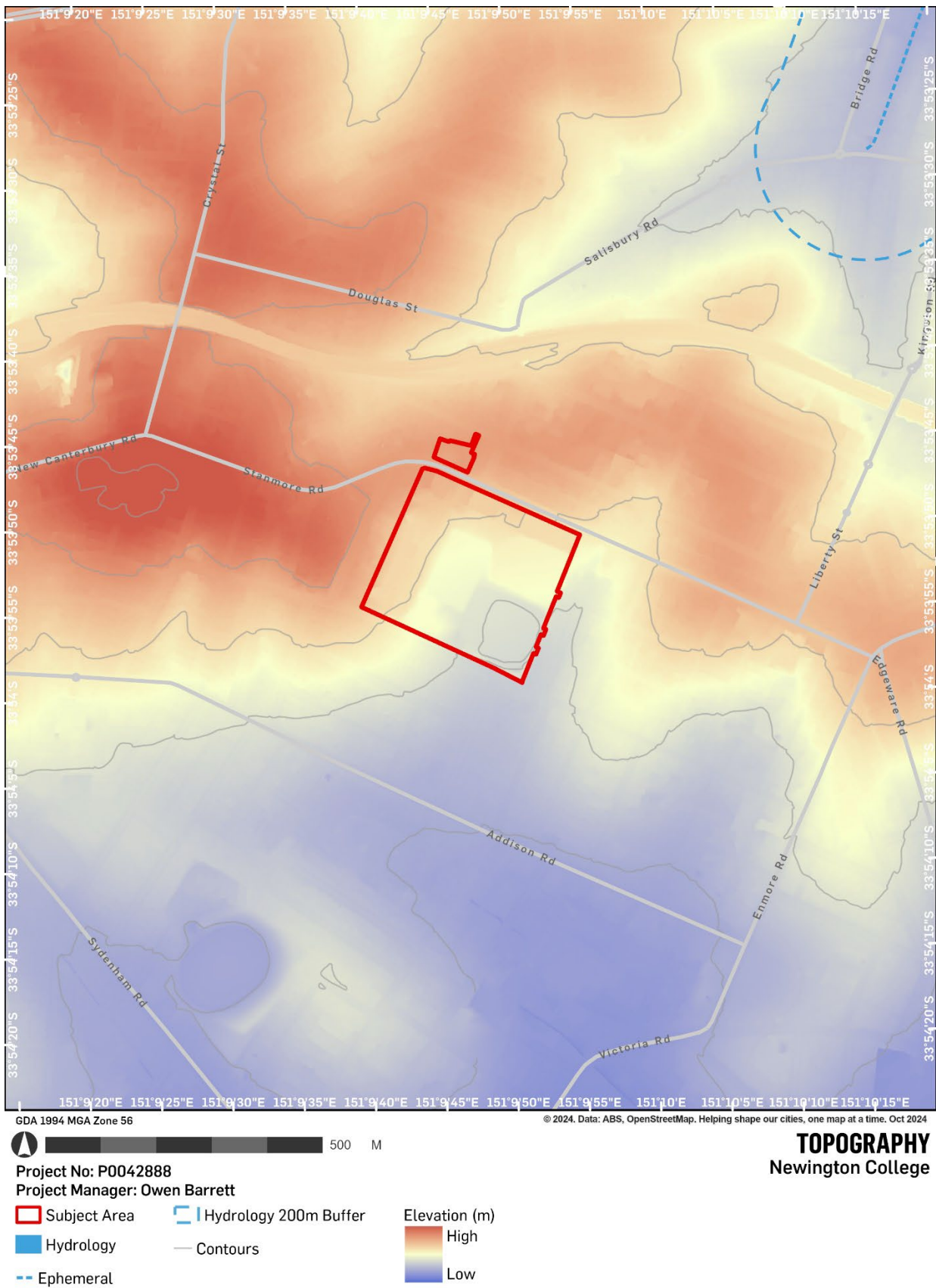


Figure 11 - Topography

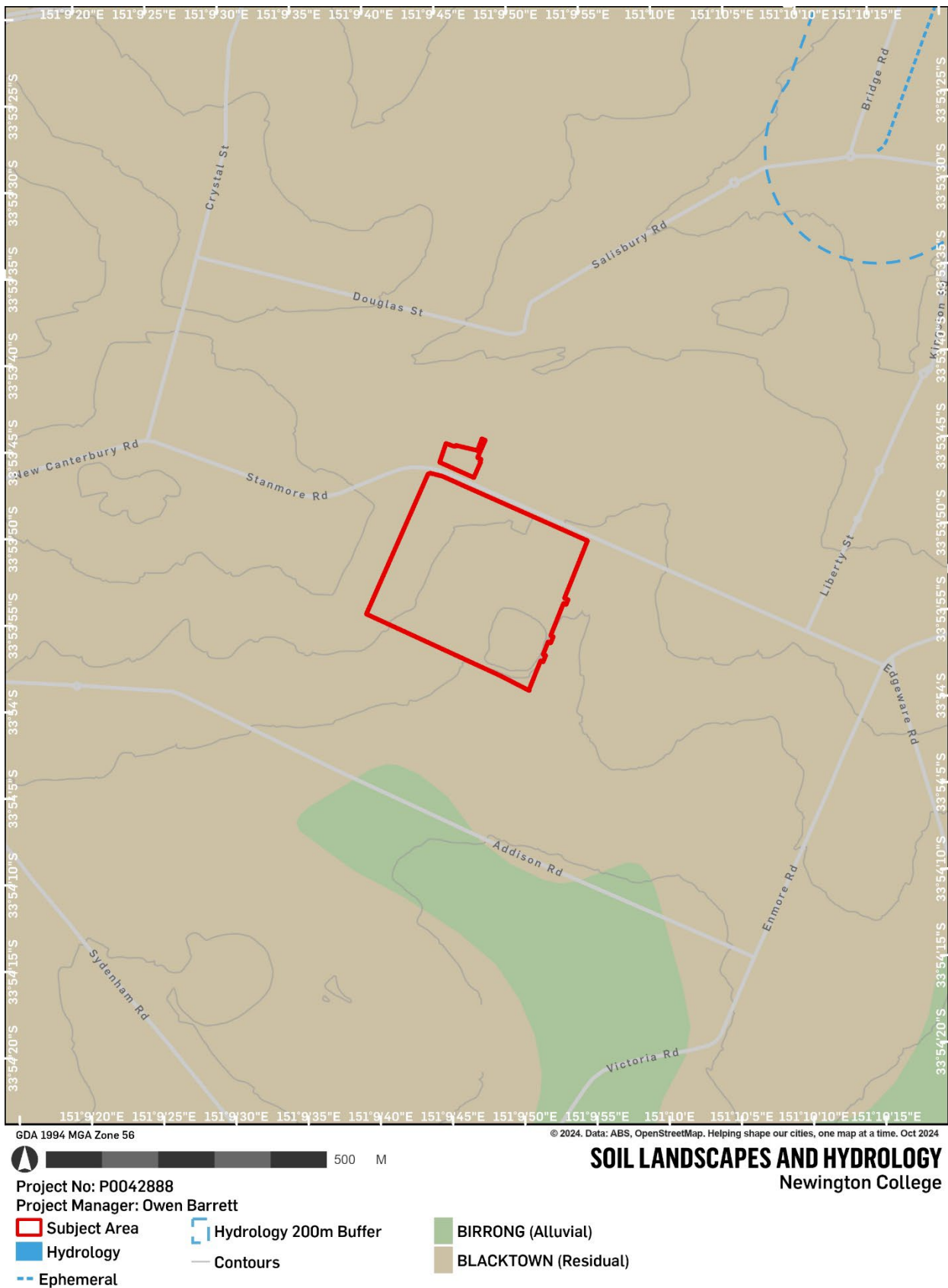


Figure 12 – Soil landscapes and Hydrology

3.2.2. Historical Ground Disturbance

Disturbance to the natural landscape, either through human activity (e.g., clearing of vegetation, ploughing and construction of buildings) or natural processes (e.g., erosion), reduces the likelihood of deposited Aboriginal objects being retained, either through destruction of the Aboriginal objects or their removal. Ground disturbance may affect the natural topsoil (A-horizon), within which subsurface Aboriginal archaeological remains are typically found, and other surface features associated with Aboriginal objects, such as trees, rock platforms and rock overhangs.

For the purpose of the present assessment, historical ground disturbance is rated according to the following scheme:

- **High:** all or most topsoil has been removed, with at most only a small part of the lower portion of topsoil possibly remaining intact
- **Moderate:** the upper part of the topsoil has been substantially disturbed or removed, but a substantial amount remains intact
- **Low:** little or no disturbance or removal of topsoil, with all or most topsoil remaining intact

The degree of disturbance is relative to the depth of the natural topsoil. For example, disturbance of the upper 30 cm of a natural soil profile by ploughing may be high if the topsoil only 30 cm deep, but only moderate if the topsoil is 1 m deep.

Initially allocated as officer land grants, the subject area was located within the entirety of a small land grant awarded to Edward Laing in 1794 and named as 'Laing's Clear'. Historical documentation from this period, indicates that a portion of 'Laing's Clear' was utilised as a garden with associated fencing structures located along the periphery of the land's borders (Figure 12). Given the land use of neighbouring allotments, including the adjacent 'Kingston Farm', it is likely that 'Laing's Clear' provided an arable source of farmland in which to cultivate crops such as maize and wheat.

By 1835, John Jones, a prosperous saddler, had purchased 20 acres of Laing's land located along the southern portion of Stanmore Road, encompassing the entire curtilage of the present subject area. The entirety of Jones land was extensively utilised for agricultural (market gardens) and/or pastoral purposes until the late 19th century which would have included vegetation clearance, the implementation of rural infrastructure and animal grazing (Meador, 2008).

The mid-19th century marked the commencement of rapid change within the subject area with the Wesleyan Methodist Church acquiring 'Stanmore Estate', subsequently relocating Newington College from Silverwater to the site in July 1880 (Meador, 2008). During this period, historical documentation indicates that a small, standalone building, known as 'The Cottage', was present on the land and utilised as residential accommodation for theological students at the college, however its exact location remains unknown (Meador, 2008). In 1877, construction commenced on the multi-storey main college building in the northwestern portion of the subject area (Figure 13). Subsequently, in 1883, the extant chapel building was erected in the far northwestern corner of the subject area (Newington College Historical Archives). Due to the paucity in historical documentation on the development of Newington College it is difficult to determine the extent of construction that occurred throughout the latter half of the 19th century.

In 1922, the Secretary for Public Works in Sydney actioned the construction of underground pressure tunnels to combat water supply across the Sydney region. By 1923, construction had commenced on 'Shaft 13' to be in the northern most eastern section of the subject area (Figure 15). Construction involved drilling and gelignite blasting through a 10-foot-wide section of tunnel bored through sandstone and the concrete reinforcement of a 30-metre shaft (Sydney Water 2006). In addition to the ground level poppet head, scaffolding and crane associated with the shaft, a shed and crushing plant was located nearby to service the spoil. Upon completion of the shaft, Newington College reclaimed the land, repurposing the spoil to level the adjacent sporting fields (The Sydney Morning Herald 1923, pg.8).

The mid twentieth century saw substantial change across the subject area. The 'Concordia Club' site encompassed residential, standalone dwellings whilst Newington College includes three sporting fields with educational buildings situated in an 'L' formation in the southwestern corner of the site (Figure 16). The 'Shaft 13' site features silty trenches and ancillary buildings with war bunkers located in the southern portion. By 1955 (Figure 17), the war bunkers had been cleared from the site and residential dwellings remaining on the site of the Concordia Club.

The late twentieth century saw the further clearance of the 'Shaft 13' site in favour of two tennis courts. A new large, multistorey structure was erected in the mid northwest portion of the site by 1971 as well as a swimming pool in the southern section. By 1975 (Figure 18), tennis courts had been constructed across the entirety of the 'Shaft 13' site. From the 1980s onwards (Figure 19), improvements occurred across the College including the addition of car parking areas, roadways and landscaping. Additional education buildings were further constructed along the southern periphery of the site. Subsequently, the existing residential dwellings were demolished within the Concordia site, paving the way for the construction of the 'Concordia Club' in its present form. By 2013 (Figure 20), new educational facilities were constructed along the northwestern portion of the site in addition to a new recreational ground to the north. Little change occurred across the subject from 2013 until the present day.

Based on the above, ground disturbing historical ground activities include clearance of vegetation, agricultural use (crop cultivation, animal grazing), earthworks associated with the construction of the sporting ovals, the construction and demolition of buildings, installation of the underground pressure shaft tunnels and landscaping. These activities would have caused a high degree of disturbance across the entire subject area, removing or disturbing all of the shallow A-horizon soils of the Blacktown soil landscape.

The assessed ground disturbance for the present subject area is mapped in Figure 21.

The relevance of historical ground disturbance for the present assessment is discussed in the application of the predictive model to determining Aboriginal archaeological potential in Section 3.4.2 below.



Figure 13- Early parish map of the Parish of Petersham detailing a portion of Edward Laing's land grant. Subject area indicated in red.

Source: - State Library of NSW, call number:



Figure 14 – Historical image of initial Newington College building, date unknown, detailing extensive land clearance within the subject area.

Source: Newington College History, www.newingtoncollege.com.au

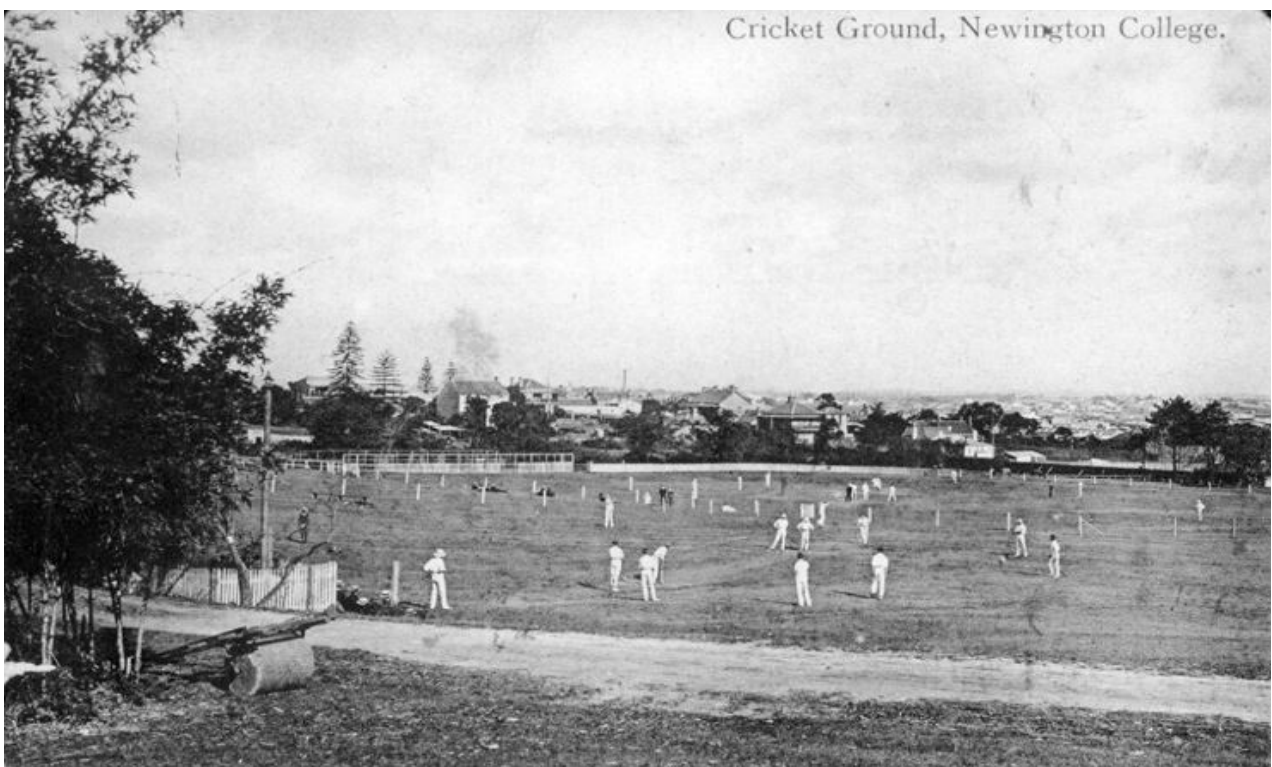


Figure 15 – Historical image of the sporting field at Newington College, c.1900s. The extent of vegetation clearance across this portion of the site is clear and observable.

Source: Newington College History, www.newingtoncollege.com.au



Figure 16 – Historical image of 'Shaft 13' located at the site of the present tennis courts. Construction involved extensive ground disturbing processes.

Source: Sydney Water 2006, CMP.



Figure 17 – Aerial imagery from 1943.

Source: NSW Government, Historical Imagery Viewer



Figure 18 – Aerial imagery from 1955.
Source: NSW Government, Historical Imagery Viewer



Figure 19 - Aerial imagery from 1975.
Source: NSW Government, Historical Imagery Viewer



Figure 20 - Aerial imagery from 1982.
 Source: NSW Government, Historical Imagery Viewer



Figure 21 – Aerial imagery from 2013.
 Source: NSW Government, Historical Imagery Viewer



3.3. LOCAL & REGIONAL CHARACTER

The evidence from Sections 3.1 and 3.2 is synthesised below to highlight the main issues and regional character of Aboriginal land use and the material traces that it has produced, in accordance with Requirement 11 of the Code of Practice.

While the spatial distribution of registered Aboriginal sites within the subject area shows no distinct association with the natural landscape, several conclusions may be made regarding the local and regional character of the area (cf. Section 3.1.3). Aboriginal sites generally occur nearby water – especially minor creeklines and tributaries of the Parramatta and Cook's Rivers (Figure 8). Stone tools are likely to have played a significant role in the lives of the local Aboriginal people, with lithic artefacts being strongly represented in the known archaeological record. Lithic artefacts are likely to have been discarded near waterways, with higher densities likely occurring near major waterways where land use was likely more intensive. Other evidence of occupation is also focussed on waterways, such as burials and grinding grooves, all of which may be associated with the rock overhangs and outcrops of Hawksbury sandstone that occur along major waterways in the region.

3.4. ARCHAEOLOGICAL POTENTIAL

The Aboriginal archaeological potential of an area is the likelihood that it retains material evidence of past Aboriginal land use. The purpose of undertaking an assessment of Aboriginal archaeological potential is to inform the sampling strategy for the subsequent archaeological survey, to determine if an archaeological test excavation is required and, if so, inform the sampling strategy for that excavation.

3.4.1. Predictive Model

A predictive model for the present assessment has been formulated based on existing predictive models (Section 3.1.6) and the local and regional character summarised above (Section 3.3).

The modelling available for the local area indicates that sites are most likely to occur on low elevated ridgelines associated with high order watercourses. In general, other landscape or natural features which may indicate the presence of Aboriginal objects, such as mature native trees, deep sandy soils or sand dunes, and sandstone outcrops, are absent from this site.

Aboriginal archaeological potential is further dependent on erosional transport and historical ground disturbance. Archaeological material is more likely to accumulate in aggraded landforms than eroded landforms, while higher ground disturbance reduces the likelihood of archaeological material surviving.

Synthesising the above predictors, Aboriginal archaeological potential is rated according to the following scheme:

- **Very High:** at least one relevant landscape feature, low ground disturbance and an aggraded landform
- **High:** at least one relevant landscape feature and either: (i) low ground disturbance and an eroded landform; or (ii) moderate ground disturbance and an aggraded landform
- **Moderate:** at least one relevant landscape feature, moderate ground disturbance and an eroded landform
- **Low:** no relevant landscape features and low or moderate ground disturbance
- **Very Low:** high ground disturbance

The predictive model described above is applied in the following section to determine the Aboriginal archaeological potential of the subject area and likely site features.

3.4.2. Assessment of Potential

Based on the predictive model outlined in the preceding section, the archaeological potential of the present subject area is assessed to be **Very Low–Low**. The assessed archaeological potential of the subject area is mapped in Figure 22.

According to the predictive modelling and assessment of historical disturbance, the subject area does not contain, nor is it located within the vicinity of, any sensitive landscape features. This assessment is consistent with relevant guidelines including the Due Diligence Code and the Code of Practice. This absence of sensitive landscape features is not considered indicative of past Aboriginal land use.

The subject area has been impacted by a high level of historical ground disturbance caused by the clearance of vegetation, agricultural land use, earthworks, the construction and demolition of buildings, installation of the underground pressure shaft tunnels and landscaping in shallow Blacktown soils. Natural erosional processes are also likely to have depleted natural topsoils and inhibited accumulation of archaeological material across the subject area. Altogether, intact natural topsoils are not anticipated to occur anywhere within the subject area.

Synthesising the above factors according to the archaeological rating scheme presented in the preceding section, it is determined that Aboriginal archaeological potential is **Very Low–Low** across the entire subject area. It is highly unlikely that the subject area would retain any Aboriginal objects. The assessed archaeological potential of the subject area is mapped in Figure 22.



Figure 23 – Aboriginal archaeological potential.

3.5. SUMMARY

The desktop assessment of the subject area is summarised as follows:

- No Aboriginal Objects or places were identified within the curtilage of or within 500 m of the subject area.
- No landscape features exist within the subject area that indicate likely past Aboriginal land use.
- The nearest natural waterway to the subject area is Johnstons creek, located approximately 1.8km north-east. As the subject area is not within 200m of water, the hydrology of the subject area is not indicative of the potential for Aboriginal objects.
- The mode of geomorphic activity in the subject area is erosion. Erosion has caused displacement of topsoil and other surface material from across the entire subject area, potentially removing archaeological material.
- The subject area has been impacted by **high historical ground disturbance** caused by the clearance of vegetation, agricultural land use, earthworks, the construction and demolition of buildings, installation of the underground pressure shaft tunnels and landscaping in shallow soils.
- Natural erosional processes are also likely to have depleted natural topsoils and inhibited accumulation of archaeological material across the subject area.
- The subject area has **Very Low-Low potential** to retain Aboriginal objects.

4. PHYSICAL ASSESSMENT

A visual inspection of the subject area was undertaken to confirm the assessment of archaeological potential within the subject area and to determine if any Aboriginal objects were present as surface expressions. The visual inspection of the subject area was undertaken on 5th February 2025 by Ginger-Rose Harrington (Urbis Archaeologist) and Jordan Gilbert (Urbis Assistant Archaeologist). The visual inspection was also attended by [REDACTED]

The visual inspection was undertaken in clear conditions. Ground Surface Visibility (GSV) was estimated to be <5% across the subject area due to the presence of paving (Figure 32-Figure 36), garden beds (Figure 30-Figure 32), sports courts (Figure 23-Figure 28) and hardstand (Figure 28-Figure 29). No Aboriginal objects were identified during the visual inspection of the subject area.

The visual inspection confirmed significant levels of ground disturbance across the subject area. The entirety of the subject area has been impacted by levelling of the ridgeline to accommodate the construction of sports courts (Figure 23-Figure 28). Retaining walls surrounding the courts indicate that the depth of excavation approximated 1.5m along the northern boundary of the area (Figure 25-Figure 27). Additional ground disturbance has been caused by the construction of terraced gardens (Figure 29, Figure 31-Figure 32), installation of underground services (Figure 28, Figure 30) and paving works (Figure 33-Figure 36).

No observable landscape features indicated a potential focus for activity by Aboriginal people which might indicate higher archaeological potential.

It is evident from inspection that the subject area has been modified by historical activities. Disturbance will have been significant in the naturally shallow soil profiles due to the terracing of the slope, construction and demolition of buildings, landscaping and installation of services.

The visual inspection confirms the assessment that the subject area has very low Aboriginal archaeological potential due to a high level of modern ground disturbance. The RAPs in attendance were in agreement with this assessment.



Figure 24 – North-West view of Sevington Courts entrance.



Figure 25 – South-West view of Sevington Courts.



Figure 26 – West view of Sevington Courts. Note presence of retaining walls along the Northern and Western bounds of the site.



Figure 27 – Retaining wall along the northern boundary of the Sevington Courts.



Figure 28 – Retaining wall along the north-western boundary of the Sevington Courts.



Figure 29 – North-eastern view of Sevington Courts Entrance. Note the terraced slope, presence of paving and underground services.



Figure 30 – North view of retaining wall for the terraced garden to the west and south-west of Sevington Courts.



Figure 31 – Area of exposure within the garden to the west and south-west of Sevington Courts. Note the presence of service connections and modern imported topsoil.



Figure 32 – Turfed garden area to the south-west of the Sevington Courts.



Figure 33 – Overview of level changes between terraced gardens and turfed areas, Sevington Courts and the main (paved) walkway.



Figure 34 – North-east view of the main (paved) walkway to the west of the Sevington Courts (visible behind).

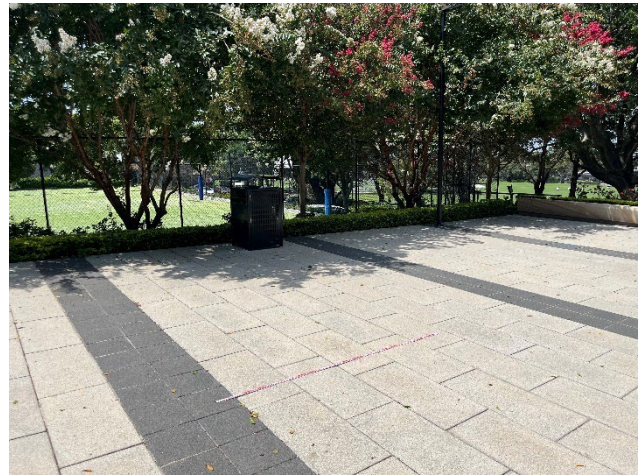


Figure 35 – North-east view of the main (paved) walkway to the west of the Sevington Courts (visible behind).



Figure 36 – South-east view of the main (paved) walkway accessible from Stanmore Road (west of Sevington Courts).



Figure 37 – Northward view of the main (paved) walkway accessible from Stanmore Road (west of Sevington Courts).

5. SIGNIFICANCE ASSESSMENT

The following is an assessment and discussion of the cultural significance of the subject area, made in consultation with the RAPs. The assessment follows principles and procedures outlined in the Burra Charter the Assessment Guidelines.

5.1. FRAMEWORK FOR ASSESSMENT

The Burra Charter defines cultural significance as being derived from the following values: social or cultural value, historic value, scientific value and aesthetic value. Aesthetic, historic, scientific and social values are commonly interrelated. All assessments of heritage values occur within a social and historic context. Therefore, all potential heritage values will have a social component.

Heritage significance is assessed by considering each cultural or archaeological site against the significance criteria set out in the Assessment Guidelines. The Assessment Guidelines require that the assessment and justification in a statement of significance includes a discussion of whether any value meets the following criteria:

- Does the subject area have a strong or special association with a particular community or cultural group for social, cultural or spiritual reasons? – social value.
- Is the subject area important to the cultural or natural history of the local area and/or region and/or state? – historic value.
- Does the subject area have potential to yield information that will contribute to an understanding of the cultural or natural history of the local area and/or region and/or state? – scientific (archaeological) value.
- Is the subject area important in demonstrating aesthetic characteristics in the local area and/or region and/or state? – aesthetic value.

Assessment of each value should be graded in terms that allow the significance to be described and compared (e.g. high, moderate, or low). In applying these criteria, consideration should be given to:

- Research potential: *does the evidence suggest any potential to contribute to an understanding of the area and/or region and/or state's natural and cultural history?*
- Representativeness: *how much variability (outside and/or inside the subject area) exists, what is already conserved, how much connectivity is there?*
- Rarity: *is the subject area important in demonstrating a distinctive way of life, custom, process, land-use, function or design no longer practised? Is it in danger of being lost or of exceptional interest?*
- Education potential: *does the subject area contain teaching sites or sites that might have teaching potential?*

The Aboriginal heritage significance of the subject area is assessed in the following section within the framework outlined above.

5.2. ASSESSMENT OF HERITAGE VALUES

The following assessment of the social or cultural, historic, scientific and aesthetic values of the subject area has been prepared in accordance with the Assessment Guidelines.

In acknowledgment that the Aboriginal community themselves are in the best position to identify heritage values, the assessment is informed by consultation with the Aboriginal community undertaken as part of the ACHAR (Section 0 above).

5.2.1. Social or Cultural Value

Social or cultural value encompasses the qualities for which a place has become a focus of spiritual, political, national or other cultural sentiment for Aboriginal people. Social or cultural value is how people express their connection with a place and the meaning that place has for them. Places of social or cultural value have associations with contemporary community identity. These places can have associations with tragic or warmly remembered experiences, periods, or events. Communities can experience a sense of loss should a place of

social or cultural value be damaged or destroyed. Social or cultural values can therefore only be identified through consultation with Aboriginal people.

The following comment was received from [REDACTED] during Stages 2 and 3 of the consultation process:

[REDACTED]

Based on the evidence at hand, it is apparent that the subject area has social and cultural value to the Aboriginal community.

5.2.2. Historic Value

Historic value encompasses the history of aesthetics, science and society. A place may have historic value because it is associated with a historic figure, event, phase or activity in an Aboriginal community. The significance of a place will be greater where evidence of the association or event survives in situ, or where the settings are substantially intact, than where it has been changed or evidence does not survive. However, some events or associations may be so important that the place retains significance regardless of subsequent treatment. Places may also have 'shared' historic values with other (non-Aboriginal) communities.

No comments regarding the historical value of the subject area were received in response to the Stage 2 and 3 information pack (Section 0.2.) or during the site inspection (Section 2.2.3). Additionally, no documentary sources were identified during the ACHAR process which indicate the historical value of the subject area. The ACHAR has therefore identified no historical associations between Aboriginal people and the subject area.

5.2.3. Scientific (Archaeological) Value

Scientific value relates to the importance of a landscape, area, place or object because of its rarity, representativeness and the extent to which it may contribute to further understanding and information. Information about scientific value will be gathered through any archaeological investigation undertaken.

The subject area is highly unlikely to retain any Aboriginal objects due to a high level of historical ground disturbance. Furthermore, if any Aboriginal objects are present, they are likely to be located within a highly disturbed context. The scientific (archaeological) value of the subject area is therefore assessed to be **low**.

Should any Aboriginal objects be identified within the subject area, the scientific (archaeological) value of those objects and the subject area should be reassessed.

5.2.4. Aesthetic Value

Aesthetic value of a place relates to the sensory, scenic, architectural and creative aspects of a place. It may include visual aspects, such as form, scale, colour, texture and material of the fabric, and the smells and sounds associated with the place and its use.

It is evident that the subject area is highly disturbed through land clearance, construction of buildings and earthworks in shallow topsoil. The present visual appearance and other sensory aspects of the subject area are unlikely to resemble those of the landscape of the local area as it existed prior to European contact. The subject area is therefore unlikely to have aesthetic value insofar as it relates to Aboriginal cultural heritage.

Individual Aboriginal objects may have aesthetic value in their own right. There are no known Aboriginal objects within the subject area that could be assessed for aesthetic value. In the event that any Aboriginal objects are identified within the subject area during the proposed works, these should be assessed for aesthetic value.

5.3. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The subject area is determined to have social and cultural value to the Aboriginal community for its relationship to the broader landscape in which it is situated. However, the significance of the subject area is reduced owing to the high level of disturbance it has undergone. The subject area is therefore assessed as having low Aboriginal heritage significance for its social and cultural value.

6. IMPACT ASSESSMENT

The following is an assessment of the potential impact of the proposed development on any Aboriginal objects and/or Aboriginal places within the subject area and the possible strategies for avoiding or minimising harm to those Aboriginal objects and/or Aboriginal places.

6.1. FRAMEWORK FOR ASSESSMENT

The potential harm to Aboriginal objects and Aboriginal places that is likely to be caused by a proposed activity is the effect of that activity on the Aboriginal heritage values identified above. According to the NPW Act, 'harm' to an object or place includes any act or omission that:

- Destroys, defaces, or damages the object or place.
- Moves the object from the land on which it had been situated.
- Causes or permits the object or place to be harmed.

Harm does not include something that is trivial or negligible, such as picking up and replacing a small stone artefact, breaking a small Aboriginal object below the surface when you are gardening, crushing a small Aboriginal object when you walk on or off a track, picnicking, camping or other similar recreational activities.

The Assessment Guidelines define harm to Aboriginal objects and Aboriginal places as being either 'direct' or 'indirect':

- **Direct harm** may occur as the result of any activity which disturbs the ground including, but not limited to, site preparation activities, installation of services and infrastructure, roadworks, excavation, flood mitigation measures.
- **Indirect harm** may affect sites or features located immediately beyond or within the area of the proposed activity. Examples include, but are not limited to, increased impact on art in a shelter from increased visitation, destruction from increased erosion and changes in access to wild food resources.

The present assessment of potential harm follows the principles of ecologically sustainable development (ESD), in particular the precautionary principle and the principle of inter-generational equity:

- The **precautionary principle** states that full scientific certainty about the threat of harm should never be used as a reason for not taking measures to prevent harm from occurring.
- The **principle of inter-generational equity** holds that the present generation should make every effort to ensure the health, diversity and productivity of the environment, which includes cultural heritage, is available for the benefit of future generations. If a site type that was once common in an area becomes rare, the loss of that site (and site type) will result in an incomplete archaeological record and will negatively affect intergenerational equity.

Consideration of potential harm to Aboriginal objects and Aboriginal places according to ecologically sustainable development (ESD) principles allows for an understanding of the cumulative impact of the proposed activity and an understanding of how harm can be avoided or minimised, if possible.

6.2. ASSESSMENT OF POTENTIAL HARM

The assessment of potential harm considers harm that may occur to both known Aboriginal objects and as yet unknown Aboriginal objects within the subject area.

The desktop assessment and site inspection identified no known Aboriginal objects within the subject area. Furthermore, due to high a level of disturbance across the entire subject area, it is unlikely that any as yet unknown Aboriginal objects are retained anywhere within the subject area. Therefore, any physical works within the subject area, including those presently proposed (Section 1.2), are unlikely to cause either direct or indirect harm to Aboriginal objects.

6.3. INTER-GENERATIONAL EQUITY

The cumulative impact of any development on Aboriginal sites relates to the extent of the proposed impact on the site and how this will affect both the proportion of this type of Aboriginal site in the area and the impact this destruction will have on Aboriginal cultural heritage values generally in the area.

As there are no known Aboriginal objects within the subject and there is very low potential for unknown Aboriginal objects to be retained, the proposed works are unlikely to negatively impact inter-generational equity.

6.4. AVOIDANCE & MINIMISATION OF HARM

All practicable measures must be taken to avoid harm (i.e. protect and conserve) any significant Aboriginal objects within the subject area along with their cultural heritage values. The precautionary principle states that full scientific certainty about the threat of harm should never be used as a reason for not taking measures to prevent harm from occurring.

If harm to Aboriginal objects and/or Aboriginal places is unavoidable, management strategies must be considered to minimise the harm. The type of management strategies proposed must be appropriate to the significance of Aboriginal heritage values, Aboriginal objects and/or Aboriginal places. Harm avoidance and minimisation measures must be feasible and within the financial viability of the proposed activity.

As it is unlikely that any Aboriginal archaeological material is retained within the subject area, no further archaeological investigation is recommended for the present subject area. As precautionary measures, it is recommended that unexpected archaeological finds and human remains procedures described below be implemented.

6.4.1. Unexpected Archaeological Finds Procedure

To mitigate harm to any unknown Aboriginal objects within the subject area, it is recommended that the following unexpected archaeological finds procedure should be followed in the unlikely event that any archaeological material, or suspected archaeological material, is uncovered during any works within the subject area:

1. All works within the vicinity of the find must immediately stop and the location cordoned off with signage installed to stop any accidental impact to the finds. The find must not be moved 'out of the way' without assessment.
2. The site supervisor or another nominated site representative must contact either the project archaeologist (if relevant) or Heritage NSW (Enviroline 131 555) to contact a suitably qualified archaeologist.
3. The nominated archaeologist must examine the find, provide a preliminary assessment of significance, record the item and decide on appropriate management measures. Such management may require further consultation with Heritage NSW, preparation of a research design and archaeological investigation/salvage methodology and registration of the find with the Aboriginal Heritage Information Management System (AHIMS). Any management measures should be decided upon consultation with the RAPs.
4. Depending on the significance of the find, reassessment of the archaeological potential of the subject area may be required and further archaeological investigation undertaken.
5. Reporting may need to be prepared regarding the find and approved management strategies.
6. Works in the vicinity of the find can only recommence upon receipt of approval from Heritage NSW.

6.4.2. Human Remains Procedure

To mitigate harm to any unknown Aboriginal burial sites within the subject area, it is recommended that the following human procedure should be followed in the unlikely event that any human remains, or suspected human remains, are uncovered during any works within the subject area:

1. All works within the vicinity of the find must immediately stop and the location cordoned off with signage installed to stop any accidental impact to the finds.
2. The site supervisor or other nominated manager must notify the NSW Police and Heritage NSW (Enviroline 131 555).
3. The find must be assessed by the NSW Police, which may include the assistance of a qualified forensic anthropologist.
4. Management recommendations are to be formulated by the NSW Police, Heritage NSW, site representatives and the RAPs.

5. Works are not to recommence until the find has been appropriately managed.

7. CONCLUSIONS & RECOMMENDATIONS

The ACHAR concluded that:

Conclusion 1 – Known Aboriginal Objects and Places

- There are no known Aboriginal objects or places located within the curtilage of the subject area.

Conclusion 2 – Sensitive Landscape Features

- The subject area does not contain, nor is it located within the vicinity of, any sensitive landscape features under the Due Diligence Code.

Conclusion 3 – Ground Disturbance

- The subject area has been impacted by **high historical ground disturbance** caused by the clearance of vegetation, agricultural land use, earthworks, the construction and demolition of buildings, installation of the underground pressure shaft tunnels and landscaping in shallow soils.

Conclusion 4 – Archaeological Potential

- The subject area has **Very Low-Low potential** to retain Aboriginal objects.

Conclusion 5 – Significance Assessment

- The subject area is assessed as having low Aboriginal heritage significance for its social and cultural value

Conclusion 6 – Impact Assessment

- As there are no known Aboriginal objects within the subject area and it is unlikely to retain any as yet unknown Aboriginal objects, the proposed physical works are unlikely to cause either direct or indirect harm to Aboriginal objects or negatively impact inter-generational equity.

Based on the above conclusions, Urbis recommends the following:

- Recommendation 1 – Submission of Report**

A copy of this report should be submitted with the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) in support of SSD-78268465.

- Recommendation 2 – No Further Archaeological Investigation**

As the proposed works are unlikely to cause harm to Aboriginal objects, it is recommended that no further investigation is required for the present development. The proposed development can proceed in line with the Archaeological Unexpected Finds Procedure and Human Remains Procedure outlined below.

- Recommendation 3 – Unexpected Archaeological Finds Procedure**

Should any archaeological deposits be uncovered during any site works, the following steps must be followed:

- All works within the vicinity of the find must immediately stop and the location cordoned off with signage installed to stop any accidental impact to the finds. The find must not be moved 'out of the way' without assessment.
- The site supervisor or another nominated site representative must contact either the project archaeologist (if relevant) or Heritage NSW (Enviroline 131 555) to contact a suitably qualified archaeologist.
- The nominated archaeologist must examine the find, provide a preliminary assessment of significance, record the item and decide on appropriate management measures. Such management may require further consultation with Heritage NSW, preparation of a research design and archaeological investigation/salvage methodology and registration of the find with the Aboriginal Heritage Information Management System (AHIMS).
- Depending on the significance of the find, reassessment of the archaeological potential of the subject area may be required and further archaeological investigation undertaken.

5. Reporting may need to be prepared regarding the find and approved management strategies.
6. Works in the vicinity of the find can only recommence upon receipt of approval from Heritage NSW.

▪ **Recommendation 4 – Human Remains Procedure**

In the unlikely event that human remains are uncovered during the proposed works, the following steps must be followed:

1. All works within the vicinity of the find must immediately stop and the location cordoned off with signage installed to stop any accidental impact to the finds.
2. The site supervisor or other nominated manager must notify the NSW Police and Heritage NSW (Enviroline 131 555).
3. The find must be assessed by the NSW Police, which may include the assistance of a qualified forensic anthropologist.
4. Management recommendations are to be formulated by the NSW Police, Heritage NSW and site representatives.
5. Works are not to recommence until the find has been appropriately managed.

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APPENDIX A

**BASIC AND EXTENSIVE AHIMS
SEARCH RESULTS**

Urbis Pty Ltd - Angel Place L8 123 Pitt Street

Date: 23 October 2024

Level 8 123 Angel Street
Sydney New South Wales 2000

Attention: Hayley Campbell

Email: hcampbell@urbis.com.au

Dear Sir or Madam:

AHIMS Web Service search for the following area at Datum :GDA, Zone : 56, Eastings : 327175.853 - 333175.853, Northings : 6244650.788 - 6250650.788 with a Buffer of 0 meters, conducted by Hayley Campbell on 23 October 2024.

The context area of your search is shown in the map below. Please note that the map does not accurately display the exact boundaries of the search as defined in the paragraph above. The map is to be used for general reference purposes only.



A search of Heritage NSW AHIMS Web Services (Aboriginal Heritage Information Management System) has shown that:

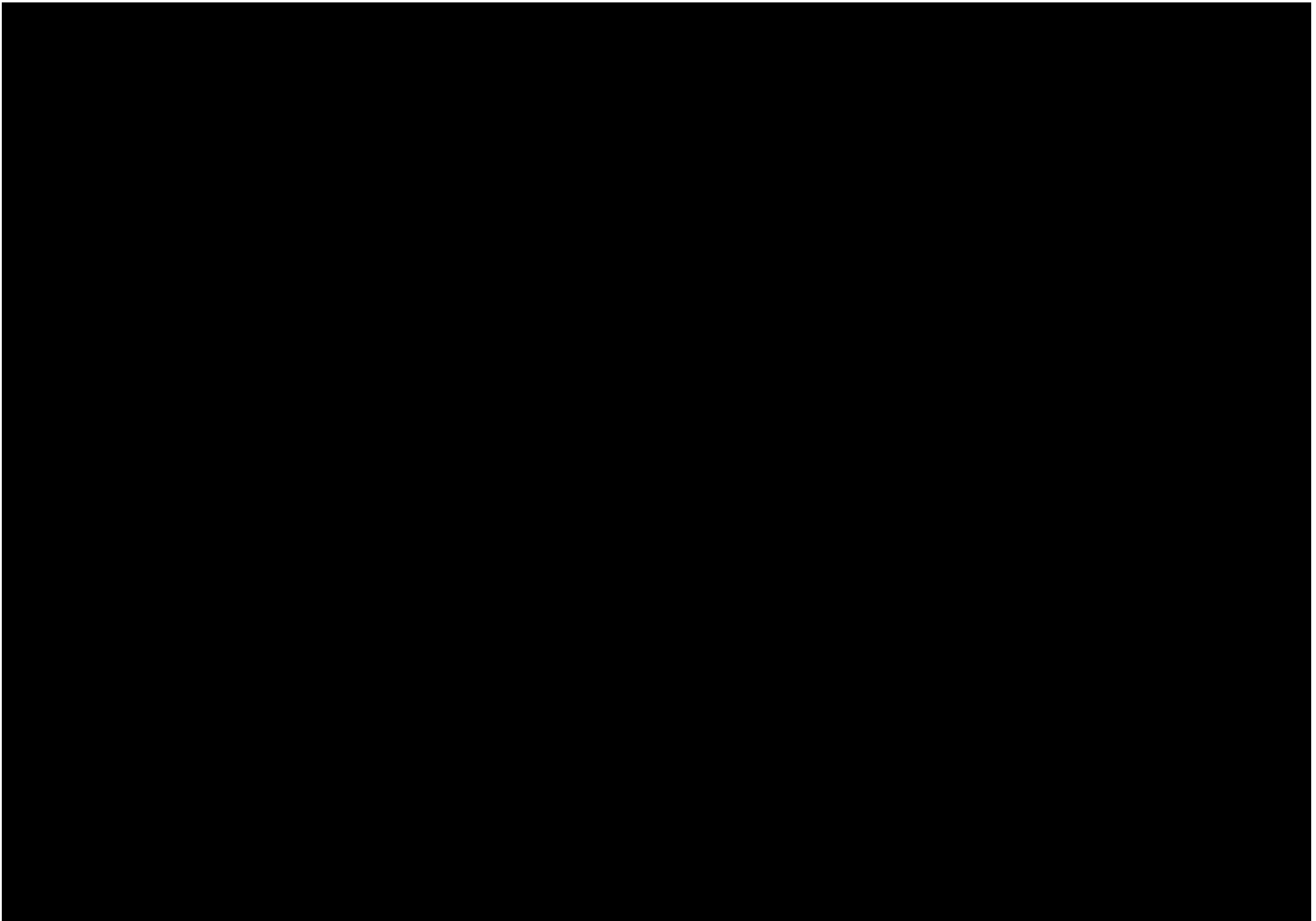
15	Aboriginal sites are recorded in or near the above location.
0	Aboriginal places have been declared in or near the above location. *

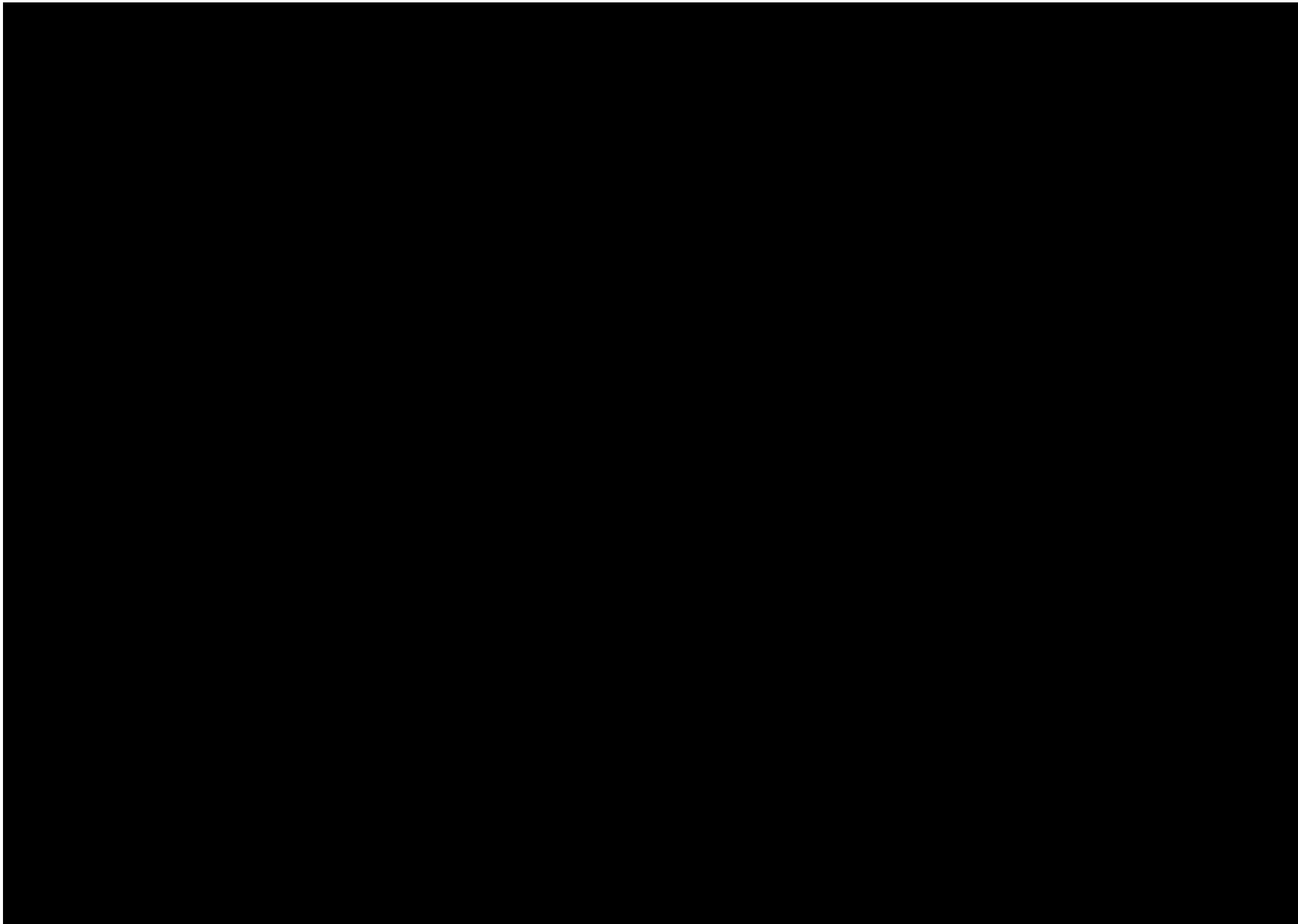
If your search shows Aboriginal sites or places what should you do?

- You must do an extensive search if AHIMS has shown that there are Aboriginal sites or places recorded in the search area.
- If you are checking AHIMS as a part of your due diligence, refer to the next steps of the Due Diligence Code of practice.
- You can get further information about Aboriginal places by looking at the gazettal notice that declared it. Aboriginal places gazetted after 2001 are available on the [NSW Government Gazette \(https://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/gazette\)](https://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/gazette) website. Gazettal notices published prior to 2001 can be obtained from Heritage NSW upon request

Important information about your AHIMS search

- The information derived from the AHIMS search is only to be used for the purpose for which it was requested. It is not be made available to the public.
- AHIMS records information about Aboriginal sites that have been provided to Heritage NSW and Aboriginal places that have been declared by the Minister;
- Information recorded on AHIMS may vary in its accuracy and may not be up to date. Location details are recorded as grid references and it is important to note that there may be errors or omissions in these recordings,
- Some parts of New South Wales have not been investigated in detail and there may be fewer records of Aboriginal sites in those areas. These areas may contain Aboriginal sites which are not recorded on AHIMS.
- Aboriginal objects are protected under the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974 even if they are not recorded as a site on AHIMS.
- This search can form part of your due diligence and remains valid for 12 months.





APPENDIX B

**REGISTERED ABORIGINAL PARTY
CONSULTATION LOG**

Date	Time	Type	Contacted	Contacted Individual	Contacted by	Contacted by Individual	Subject
Stage 1.1 Native Title							
7/02/2025	3:11 PM	Email	NNTT	n/a	Urbis	John Sokalik	Native Title Search
7/02/2025	4:44 PM	Email	Urbis	John Sokalik	NNTT	n/a	Native Title Search
Stage 1.2 Agency notice							
27/11/2024	11:08am	Email	GS LLS, NTSCORP, Heritage NSW, ORALRA, Metro LALC, Council	NA	Urbis	Ginger-Rose Harrington	Stage 1.2 Agency Notice
28/11/2024	9:34am	Email	Urbis	GH	Inner West Council	Simon Watts	Stage 1.2 Agency Notice
28/11/2024	10:57am	Email	Urbis	GH	HNSW	Barry Gunther	Stage 1.2 Agency Notice
29/11/2024	12:43pm	Email	Inner West Council	Deborah Lennis	Urbis	GH	Stage 1.2 Agency Notice
29/11/2024	11:47am	Email	Urbis	GH	ORALRA	NA	Stage 1.2 Agency Notice
2/12/2024	9:39am	Emial	Urbis	GH	LLS GS	NA	Stage 1.2 Agency Notice
Stage 1.3 RAP notice/advertisement							
12/12/2024					PUBLIC NOTICE - NEWSCORP		
12/12/2024	9:25am	Email	All RAPs	NA	Urbis	GH	Stage 1.3 Invitation
12/12/2024	9:26am	Email	Urbis	GH			Stage 1.3 Invitation
12/12/2024	9:28am	Email	Urbis	GH			Stage 1.3 Invitation
12/12/2024	10:59am	Email	Urbis	GH			Stage 1.3 Invitation
12/12/2024	3:04pm	Email	Urbis	GH			Stage 1.3 Invitation
13/12/2024	9:19am	Email	Urbis	GH			Stage 1.3 Invitation
13/12/2024	9:59am	Email	Urbis	GH			Stage 1.3 Invitation
15/12/2024	11:42am	Email	Urbis	GH			Stage 1.3 Invitation
17/12/2024	6:44pm	Email	Urbis	GH			Stage 1.3 Invitation
7/01/2025	5:56pm	Email	Urbis	GH			Stage 1.3 Invitation
Stage 1.6							
6/01/2025	3:06pm	Email	HNSW	NA	Urbis	GH	Stage 1.6 Agency Notice
6/01/2025	3:06	Email	MLALC	NA	Urbis	GH	Stage 1.6 Agency Notice
Stage 2 and 3							
14/01/2025	10:36am	Email	All RAPs	NA	Urbis	GH	Stage 2&3 Information
17/01/2025	1:10PM	Email	Urbis	GH			Stage 2&3 Information
7/02/2025	8:30	Email	Urbis	GH			Stage 2&3 Information
Site Survey							
29/01/2025	10:34am	Email	Konanggo, DCAC, LGCS	NA	Urbis	GH	Site Inspection Invitation
29/01/2025	10:36am	Email	Urbis	GH			Site Inspection Invitation
29/01/2025	1:55pm	Email	Urbis	GH			Site Inspection Invitation
29/01/2025	11:22am	Email	Urbis	GH			Site Inspection Invitation
2/02/2025	9:17am		Urbis	GH			Site Inspection Invitation
4/02/2025	9:22am	Email	Urbis	GH			Site Inspection Invitation
4/02/2025	9:22am	Email			Urbis	GH	Site Inspection Invitation
4/02/2025	2:27pm	Email		NA	Urbis	GH	Site Inspection Invitation
4/02/2025	7:39pm	Email	Urbis	GH			Site Inspection Invitation
4/02/2025	7:42pm	Email	Urbis	GH			Site Inspection Invitation
5/02/2025	2:27pm	Email			Urbis	GH	Site Inspection Invitation
5/02/2025	3:14pm	Email	Urbis	GH			Site Inspection Invitation
5/02/2025	3:45pm	Email			Urbis	GH	Site Inspection Invitation
Stage 4							
11/07/2025	2:45PM	Email	All RAPs	N/A	Urbis	Hayley Campbell (HC)	Project Update
16/07/2025	2:57PM	Email	Urbis	HC, AB			Project Update
10/08/2025	6:32PM	Email	Urbis	HC, AB			Project Update
10/09/2025	2:31PM	Email	All RAPs	N/A	Urbis	Juliet Scholefield (JSC)	Stage 4 Draft ACHA
5/12/2025	1:40PM	Email			Urbis	NT	Stage 4 Draft ACHA + Stage 2/3
6/01/2026	5:21PM	Email	Urbis	NT			Stage 4 Draft ACHA + Stage 2/3
Continuous Consultation							
8/12/2025	11:39 AM	Email	All RAPs	N/A	Urbis	OB	Project Update
7/04/2026	4:30pm	Email	All RAPs	N/A	Urbis	JSC	Project Update

APPENDIX C

REGISTERED ABORIGINAL PARTY CONSULTATION DOCUMENTATION

From: [Geospatial Search Requests](#)
To: [John Sokalik](#)
Subject: RE: SR25/0163 - 200-244 and 221-235 Stanmore Road, Stanmore NSW 2048. [SEC=OFFICIAL]
Date: Friday, 7 February 2025 4:44:02 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
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Your ref: P0042888

Our ref: SR25/163

Dear John,

Thank you for your search request, please find your results below.

Search Results

The results provided are based on the information you supplied and are derived from a search of the following Tribunal databases:

0. Schedule of Native Title Determination Applications
 1. Register of Native Title Claims
 2. Native Title Determinations
 3. Indigenous Land Use Agreements (Registered and notified)

Results for overlapping native title matters in NSW:

Feature ID	Tenure	Cadastre Data As At	Feature Area SqKm	Overlapping Native Title Feature				
1//DP49	FREEHOLD	16/01/2025	0.0013	NNTT File Number	Name	Category	Overlap Area SqKm	% Selected Feature
				No overlap			-	0.00%
1//DP526319	FREEHOLD	16/01/2025	0.0005	NNTT File Number	Name	Category	Overlap Area SqKm	% Selected Feature
				No overlap			-	0.00%
20//DP879003	LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITY	16/01/2025	0.0003	NNTT File Number	Name	Category	Overlap Area SqKm	% Selected Feature
				No overlap			-	0.00%
26//DP879003	LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITY	16/01/2025	0.0001	NNTT File Number	Name	Category	Overlap Area SqKm	% Selected Feature
				No overlap			-	0.00%
29//DP879003	LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITY	16/01/2025	0.0001	NNTT File Number	Name	Category	Overlap Area SqKm	% Selected Feature
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35//DP880901	LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITY	16/01/2025	0.0001	NNTT File Number	Name	Category	Overlap Area SqKm	% Selected Feature
				No overlap			-	0.00%
8//DP710369	FREEHOLD	16/01/2025	0.0878	NNTT File Number	Name	Category	Overlap Area SqKm	% Selected Feature
				No overlap			-	0.00%

A//DP109269	FREEHOLD	16/01/2025	0.0008	NNTT File Number	Name	Category	Overlap Area SqKm	% Selected Feature
				No overlap			-	0.00%
B//DP330028	FREEHOLD	16/01/2025	0.0003	NNTT File Number	Name	Category	Overlap Area SqKm	% Selected Feature
				No overlap			-	0.00%

For more information about the Tribunal's registers or to search the registers yourself and obtain copies of relevant register extracts, please visit our [website](#).

Information on native title claims and freehold land can also be found on the Tribunal's website here: [Native title claims and freehold land](#).

Please note: There may be a delay between a native title determination application being lodged in the Federal Court and its transfer to the Tribunal. As a result, some native title determination applications recently filed with the Federal Court may not appear on the Tribunal's databases.

The search results are based on analysis against external boundaries of applications only. Native title applications commonly contain exclusions clauses which remove areas from within the external boundary. To determine whether the areas described are in fact subject to claim, you need to refer to the "Area covered by claim" section of the relevant Register Extract or Schedule Extract and any maps attached.

Search results and the existence of native title

Please note that the enclosed information from the Register of Native Title Claims and/or the Schedule of Applications is **not** confirmation of the existence of native title in this area. This cannot be confirmed until the Federal Court makes a determination that native title does or does not exist in relation to the area. Such determinations are registered on the National Native Title Register.

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The enclosed information has been provided in good faith. Use of this information is at your sole risk. The National Native Title Tribunal makes no representation, either express or implied, as to the accuracy or suitability of the information enclosed for any particular purpose and accepts no liability for use of the information or reliance placed on it.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact us via GeospatialSearch@NNTT.gov.au

Regards,

Geospatial Searches

National Native Title Tribunal | Perth

Email: GeospatialSearch@nntt.gov.au | www.nntt.gov.au

From: John Sokalik <jsokalik@urbis.com.au>

Sent: Friday, 7 February 2025 12:11 PM

To: Geospatial Search Requests <GeospatialSearch@NNTT.gov.au>

Cc: Ali Byrne <abyrne@urbis.com.au>

Subject: SR25/0163 - 200-244 and 221-235 Stanmore Road, Stanmore NSW 2048.

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Good afternoon,

Urbis is currently undertaking an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment (ACHA) at Newington College, 200-244 and 221-235 Stanmore Road, Stanmore NSW 2048.

As part of the consultation process for that ACHA, we are seeking to request a spatial search of the National Native Title Tribunal Register. We request that you please provide the results of the search by return email at your earliest convenience.

For further details please refer to the attached form.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Kindest regards,

JOHNNY SOKALIK
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To: ["gs.service@lls.nsw.gov.au"](mailto:gs.service@lls.nsw.gov.au); [NTSCORP Notifications](#); [OEH HD Heritage Mailbox](#); [Aboriginal Owners](#); [NTSCORP Notifications](#); metrolalc@metrolalc.org.au; metrolalc@metrolalc.org.au; ["council@innerwest.nsw.gov.au"](mailto:council@innerwest.nsw.gov.au)
Cc: [Ali Byrne](#); [Owen Barrett](#)
Subject: Stage 1.2 Agency Notice - Newington College ACHA (Our Ref#P0042888)
Date: Wednesday, 27 November 2024 11:08:00 AM
Attachments: [P0042888 Newington College 1.2 Agency Notice Letter D02.pdf](#)
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If you are aware of any Aboriginal persons and/or organisations that may hold an interest in the project, we request that you please provide their details by return email at your earliest convenience and preferably by **5:00pm, 6th December 2024**.

For further details, please refer to the formal letter attached.

Kind regards,

GINGER-ROSE HARRINGTON

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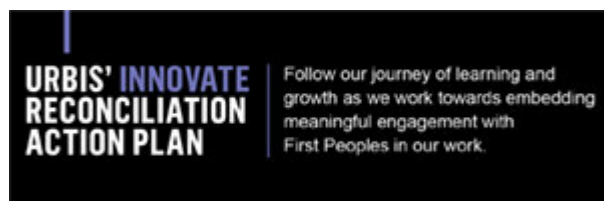
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From: [Simon Watts](#)
To: [Ginger-Rose Harrington](#)
Cc: [Deborah Lennis](#)
Subject: Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment Newington College
Date: Thursday, 28 November 2024 9:34:00 AM

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Dear Ginger-Rose

Council's cultural advisor and senior Aboriginal office along with Council's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Local Democracy Group are interested parties.

Deb (copied here) can communicate with all these folk. Please send her relevant details.

Warm regards

Simon Watts

Social & Cultural Planning Manager

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We acknowledge that this land area traditionally belonged to the Gadigal and Wangal peoples of the Sydney Basin.



From: [Barry Gunther](#)
To: [Ginger-Rose Harrington](#)
Subject: Heritage NSW Aboriginal stakeholder list for Newington College at 200-244 and 221-235 Stanmore Road, Stanmore.
Date: Thursday, 28 November 2024 10:57:02 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)
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Hi Ginger-Rose,

Please find attached the Heritage NSW Aboriginal stakeholder list for Newington College at 200-244 and 221-235 Stanmore Road, Stanmore.

regards

[Barry Gunther](#)

Aboriginal Senior Assessment Officer

Heritage NSW

[Department of Climate Change,](#)

[Energy, the Environment and Water](#)

Season's greetings from Heritage NSW.

From: Ginger-Rose Harrington <gharrington@urbis.com.au>
Sent: Wednesday, November 27, 2024 11:08 AM
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Cc: Ali Byrne <abyrne@urbis.com.au>; Owen Barrett <obarrett@urbis.com.au>
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Kind regards,

GINGER-ROSE HARRINGTON

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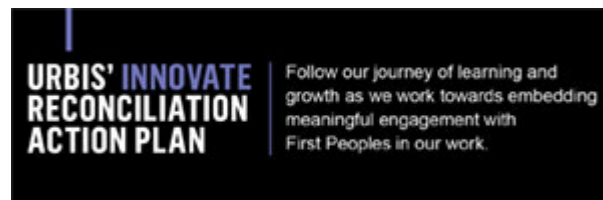
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**LIST OF ABORIGINAL STAKEHOLDERS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT
(DPE) HELD BY DPE FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE OEH ABORIGINAL CULTURAL HERITAGE
CONSULTATION REQUIREMENTS FOR PROPONENTS 2010**

The purpose of this letter is to assist you as the proposed applicant in undertaking Aboriginal community consultation in accordance with the relevant legislation and guidelines.

The consultation process involves getting the views of, and information from, Aboriginal people and reporting on these. It is not to be confused with other field assessment processes involved in preparing a proposal and an application. Consultation does not include the employment of Aboriginal people to assist in field assessment and/or site monitoring. Aboriginal people may provide services to proponents through a contractual arrangement however, this is separate from consultation. The proponent is not obliged to employ those Aboriginal people registered for consultation. Consultation as per these requirements will continue irrespective of potential or actual employment opportunities for Aboriginal people.

In accordance with Clause 60 (10) of the National Parks and Wildlife Regulation 2019, where an agreement of the kind listed below specifies or identifies a modified or alternative consultation process for the purposes of Part 6 of the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974, the applicant is to undertake consultation in accordance with the modified or alternative process. The applicable agreements are:

- a) a registered Indigenous Land Use Agreement under the Native Title Act 1993 of the Commonwealth entered into between an Aboriginal community and the State,
- b) a lease entered into under Part 4A of the Act,
- c) an agreement entered into by the Secretary and a board of management reserved under Part 4A of the Act that has the consent of Aboriginal owner board members for the land concerned,
- d) an agreement entered into between an Aboriginal community and the Department of Planning, Industry and the Environment.

Where you believe your application is wholly or partially located within an area subject to any of the above agreements, please provide further correspondence (including mapping, if required) detailing the applicable agreement and its relationship to the application area to heritagemailbox@environment.nsw.gov.au. Heritage NSW will respond with further advice.

Where the above does not apply, please proceed with consultation in accordance with the Clause 60 (1-9) of the National Parks and Wildlife Regulation 2019 and Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents 2010 (the "Consultation Requirements"). A copy of the Consultation Requirements can be found on the OEH website at:

<http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/resources/cultureheritage/commconsultation/09781ACHconsultreq.pdf>.

Under the Consultation Requirements, a proponent is required to provide Aboriginal people who may hold cultural knowledge relevant to determining the cultural significance of Aboriginal objects and/or places as relevant to the proposed project area, with an opportunity to be involved in consultation. Section 3.3.1 of the Consultation Requirements states that Aboriginal people who can provide this information are, based on Aboriginal lore and custom, the traditional owners or custodians of the land that is the subject of the proposed project.

The Consultation Requirements also state that:

Traditional owners or custodians with appropriate cultural heritage knowledge to inform decision making who seek to register their interest as an Aboriginal party are those people who:

- continue to maintain a deep respect for their ancestral belief system, traditional lore and custom
- recognise their responsibilities and obligations to protect and conserve their culture and heritage and care for their traditional lands or Country
- have the trust of their community, knowledge and understanding of their culture, and permission to speak about it.

This list is provided to proponents in accordance with Clause 60(2)(a)(i) of the National Parks and Wildlife Regulation 2019 and section 4.1.2 of the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents 2010.

The stakeholders identified on this list may have an interest in the proposed project area and may hold knowledge relevant to determining the cultural significance of Aboriginal objects and/or places.

How to use this list

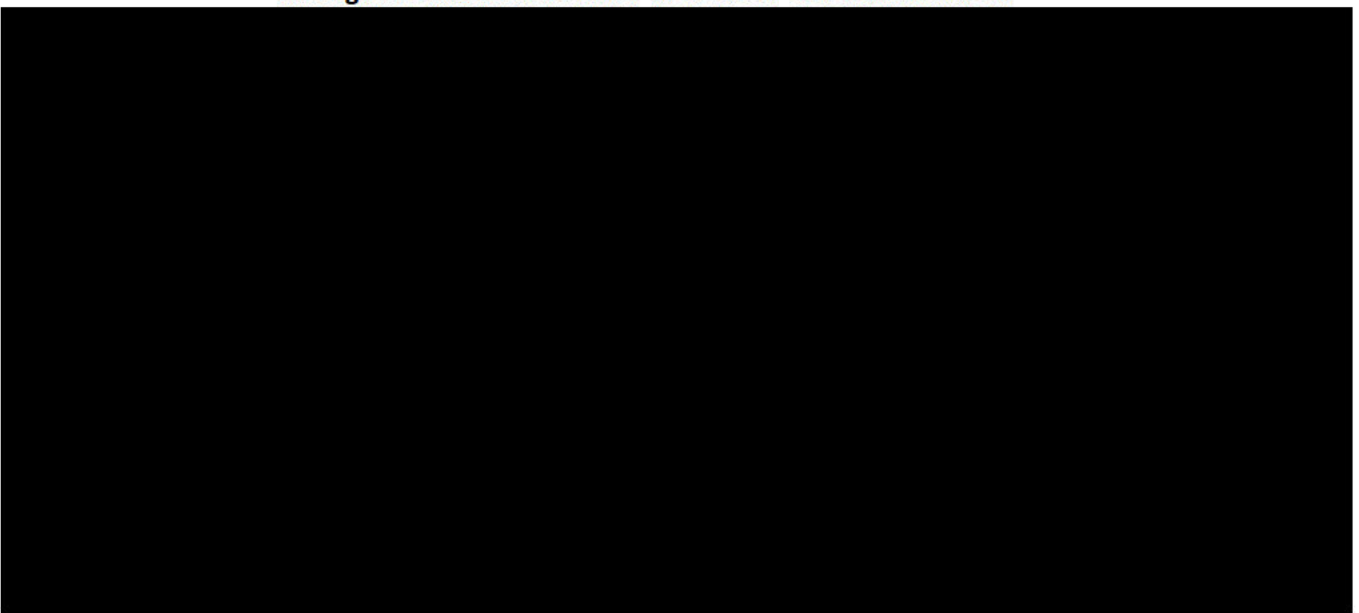
- Contact the organisations/individuals who have indicated an interest in the relevant LGA/s and invite them to register an interest in your project.
- Do not reproduce the attached list in publicly available reports and other documents. Your report should only contain the names of the organisations and individuals who you have invited to register an interest in your project and those who have registered as stakeholders for your project.
- Note that the provision of this Aboriginal stakeholder list does not override a proponent's requirement to also advertise in the local newspaper and to seek from other sources the names of any other Aboriginal people who may hold cultural knowledge as required under clause 60 (2) of the National Parks and Wildlife Regulation 2019.
- Please refer to Clause 60 of the National Parks and Wildlife Regulation 2019 and the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents 2010 for further information on the requirements of the consultation process.
- If contact details of stakeholders are found to be incorrect or outdated, please contact heritagemailbox@environment.nsw.gov.au.

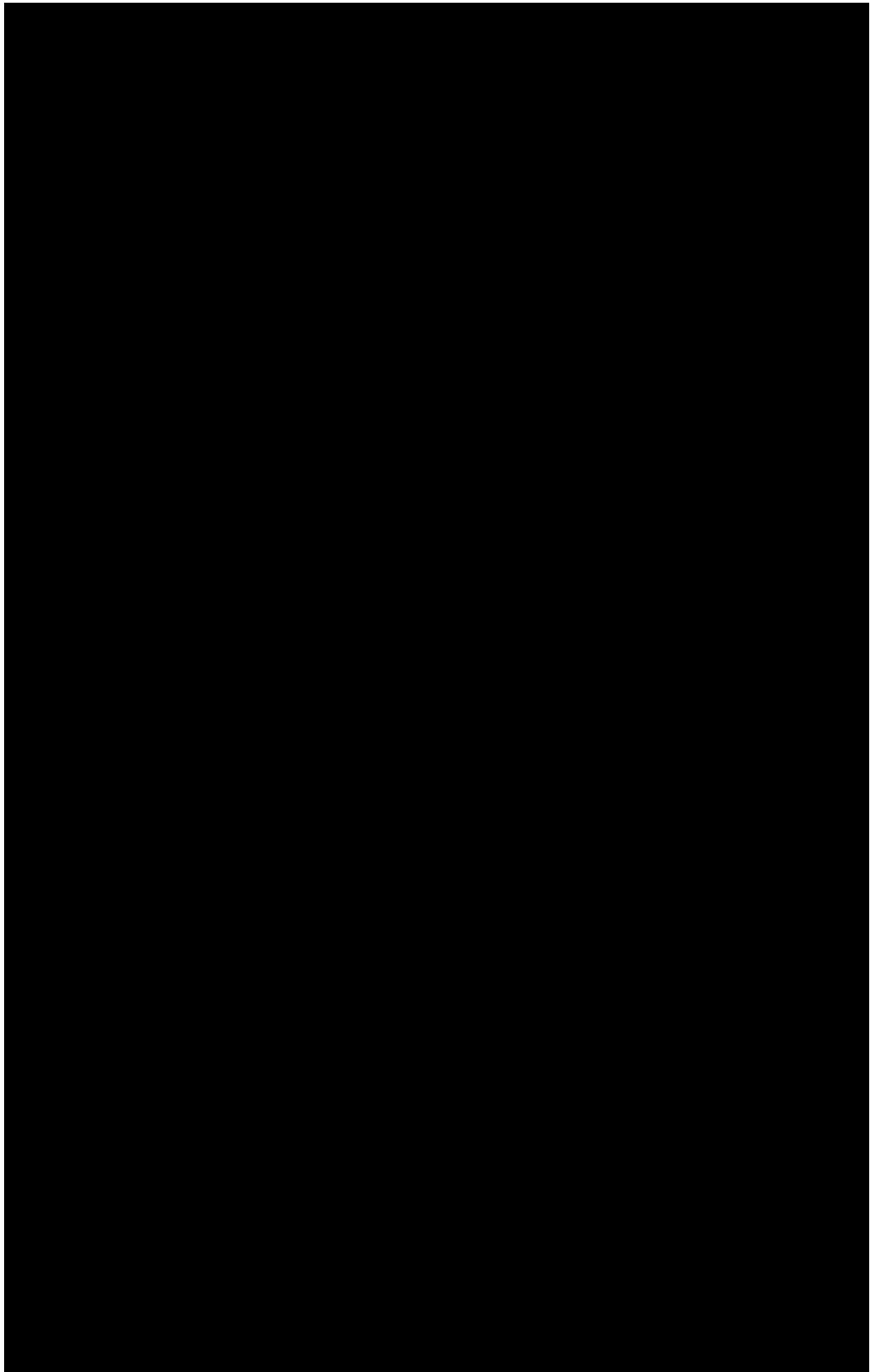
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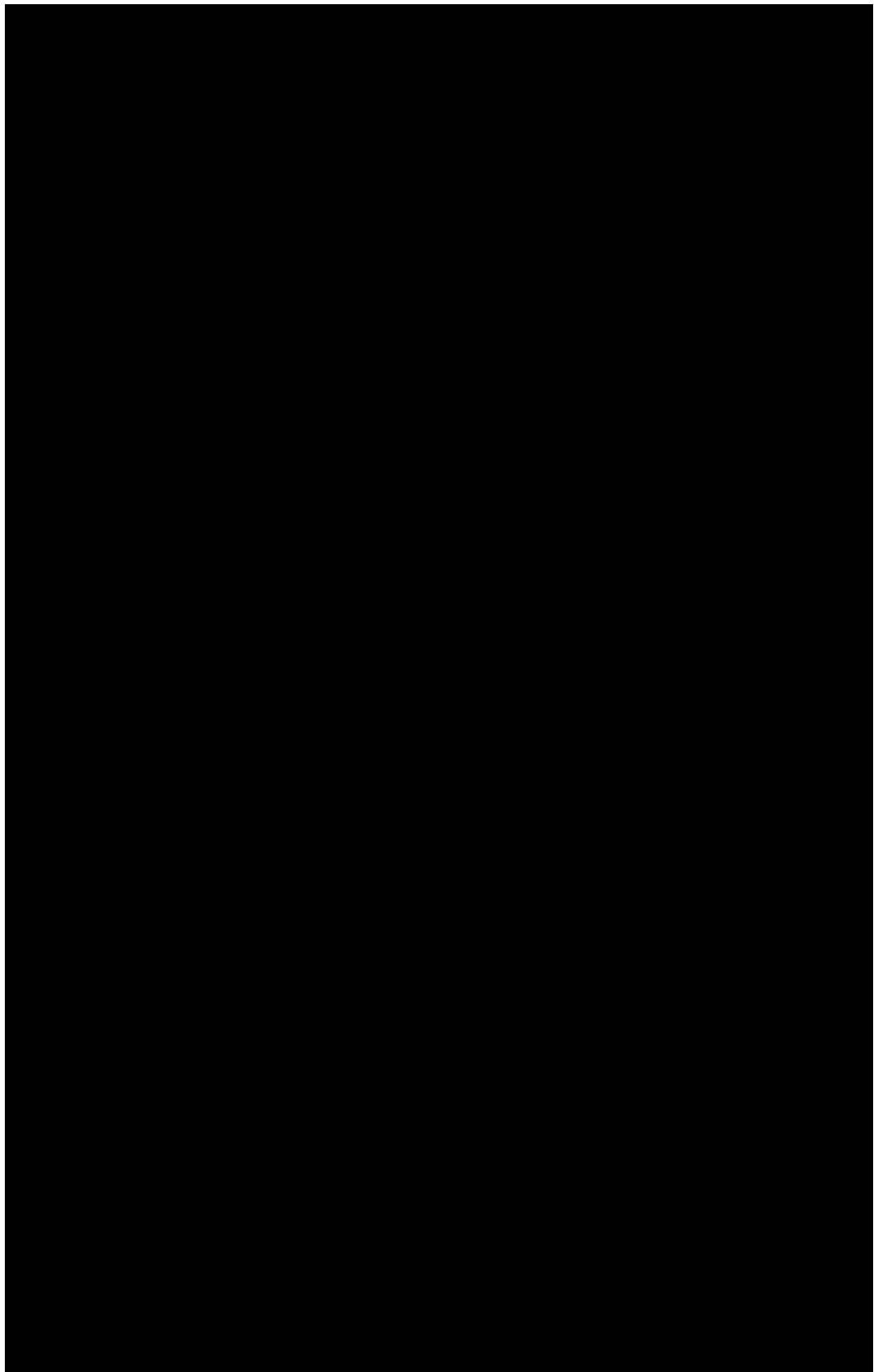
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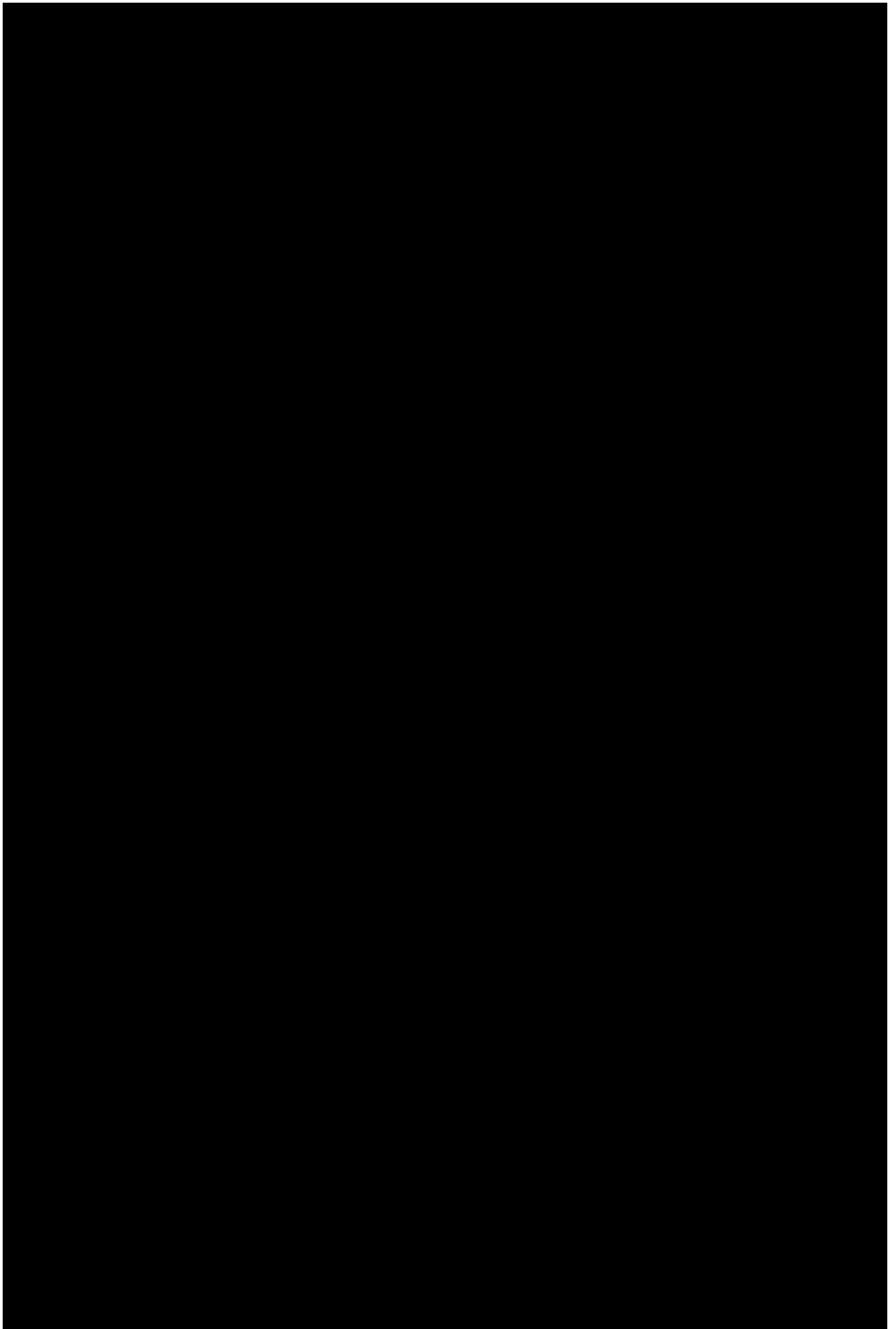
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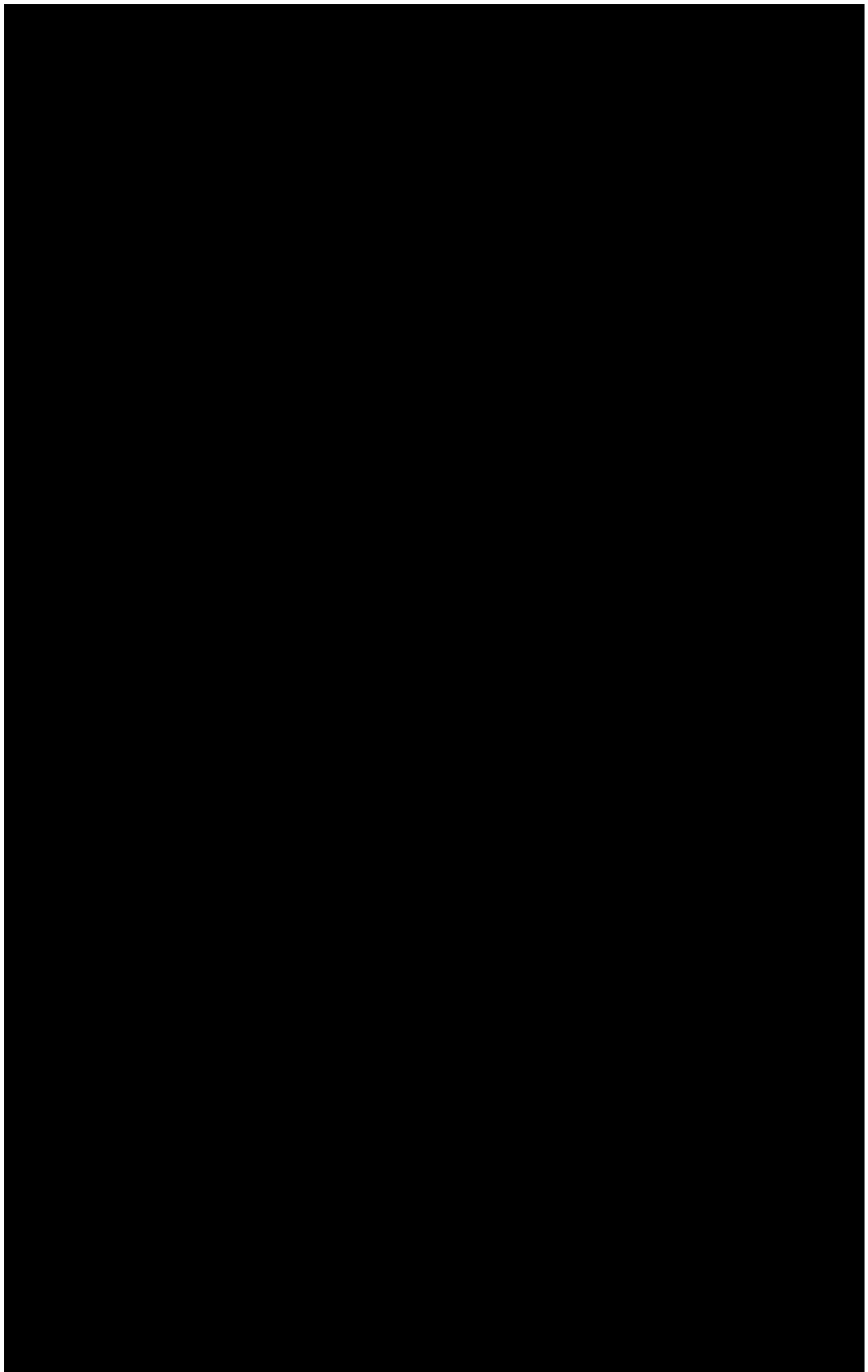


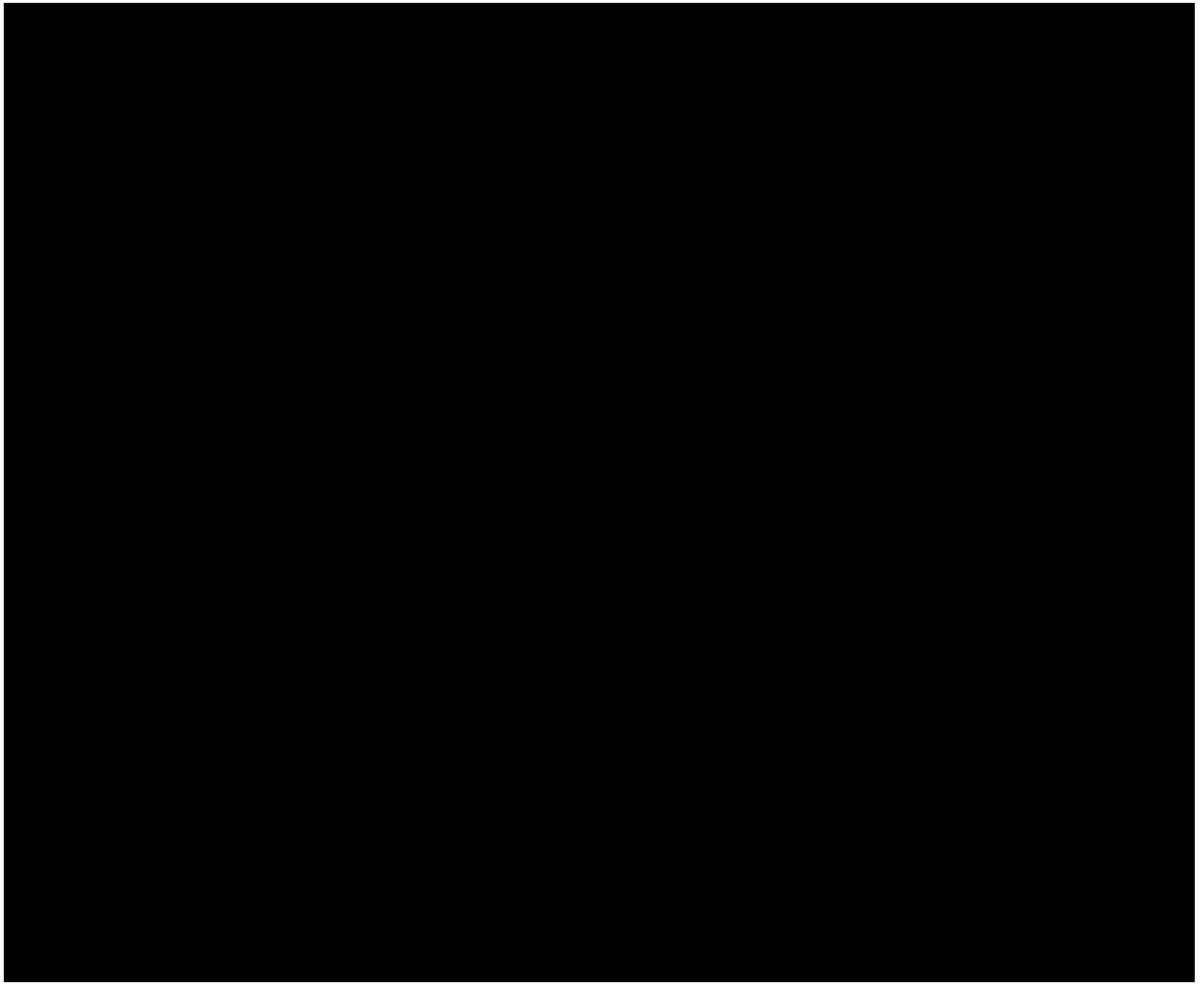




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Cc: ["Simon Watts"](#)
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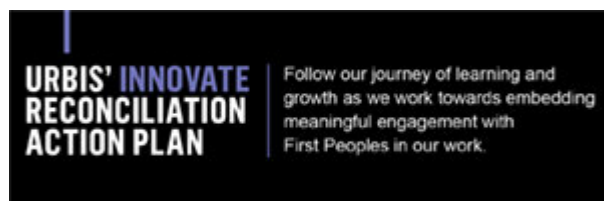
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Dear Ginger-Rose

Council's cultural advisor and senior Aboriginal office along with Council's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Local Democracy Group are interested parties.

Deb (copied here) can communicate with all these folk. Please send her relevant details.

Warm regards

Simon Watts

Social & Cultural Planning Manager

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We acknowledge that this land area traditionally belonged to the Gadigal and Wangal peoples of the Sydney Basin.



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Kind regards

The Aboriginal Owners team

Office of the Registrar, Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983
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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.

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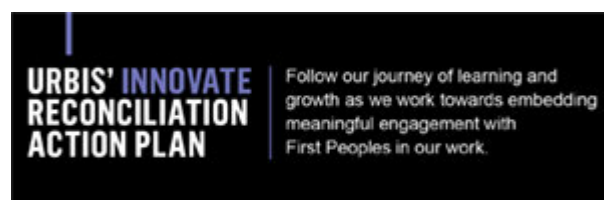
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By email: gharrinton@urbis.com.au

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Consultant
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SYDNEY NSW 2000

Dear Ginger-Rose

Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment – Proposed redevelopment at Newington College 200-244 and 221-235 Stanmore Road (Lot 8 DP710369, Lot A DP109269, Lot 1 DP49, Lot B DP330028 and Lot 1 DP526319) Stanmore NSW: request for list of potential Aboriginal stakeholders

We refer to your email and letter to this Office dated 27 November 2024 requesting contact information for Aboriginal organisations, stakeholders and/or people who may have cultural knowledge relevant to the proposed redevelopment at Newington College 200-244 and 221-235 Stanmore Road (Lot 8 DP710369, Lot A DP109269, Lot 1 DP49, Lot B DP330028 and Lot 1 DP526319) Stanmore NSW, as part of an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment (ACHA).

Under Section 170 of the *Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983* (NSW), the Office of the Registrar is required to maintain the Register of Aboriginal Owners (RAO) for New South Wales. A search of the RAO has shown that there are currently no Registered Aboriginal Owners in the project area.

The proposed redevelopment falls within the boundaries of Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council (LALC). We suggest you contact Metropolitan LALC (contact details provided below), as they may wish to participate or contribute.

Yours sincerely

Karen Carter
Project Officer
Office of the Registrar, Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983

Metropolitan LALC
PO Box 1103
STRAWBERRY HILLS NSW 2012
(02) 8394 9666

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Dear Ginger-Rose

Thank you for your recent letter seeking assistance to identify Aboriginal stakeholder organisations and persons who may hold an interest in Country at the project area designated in your correspondence.

Greater Sydney Local Land Services (GS LLS) acknowledges that Local Land Services (formerly as Catchment Management Authorities) has been listed in Section 4.1.3.(g) of the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation requirements for proponents 2010, to support Part 6, of the NSW National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974 as a source of information to obtain the 'names of Aboriginal people who may hold cultural knowledge relevant to determining the significance of Aboriginal objects and/or places'.

GS LLS understands and respects the significant role and values that tangible and intangible Aboriginal Cultural Heritage holds for First Nations/Aboriginal people with Country. GS LLS also partners with many First Nations communities on Caring for Country projects that aim to protect and enhance those tangible and intangible values in Country including Aboriginal Cultural Heritage. GS LLS considers Aboriginal Cultural Heritage matters in relation to its role in land management and considers cultural heritage issues in the context of Natural Resource Management.

However, GS LLS feels that it is not a primary source of contact for First Nations (Aboriginal) communities or persons that may inform or provide comment on development or planning issues.

GS LLS strongly recommends you contact Heritage NSW to seek their advice on all-inclusive contact lists of persons and organisations who 'speak for Country' and that may assist with your investigation.

Regards

Customer Service Team

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Sent: Wednesday, November 27, 2024 11:08 AM

To: LLS GS Service Mailbox <gs.service@lls.nsw.gov.au>; NTSCORP Notifications <notifications@ntscorp.com.au>; OEH HD Heritage Mailbox <HERITAGEMailbox@environment.nsw.gov.au>; Aboriginal Owners <aboriginalowners@oralra.nsw.gov.au>; NTSCORP Notifications <notifications@ntscorp.com.au>; metrolalc@metrolalc.org.au; metrolalc@metrolalc.org.au; OLG - Inner West Council <council@innerwest.nsw.gov.au>

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Consultant
Urbis Ltd.
Level 8, 123 Pitt Street, Sydney NSW
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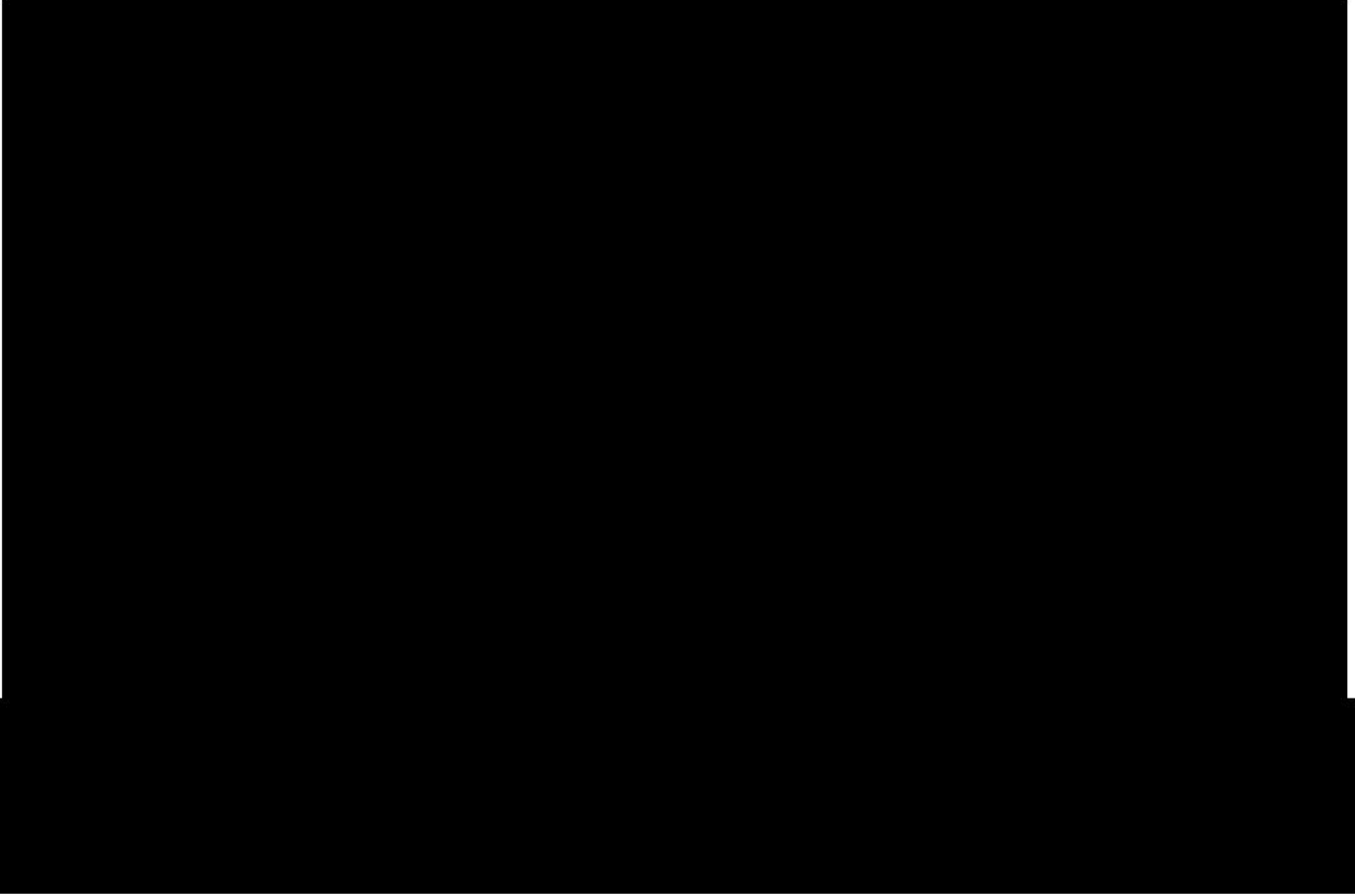
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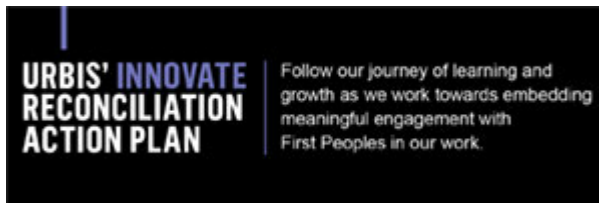
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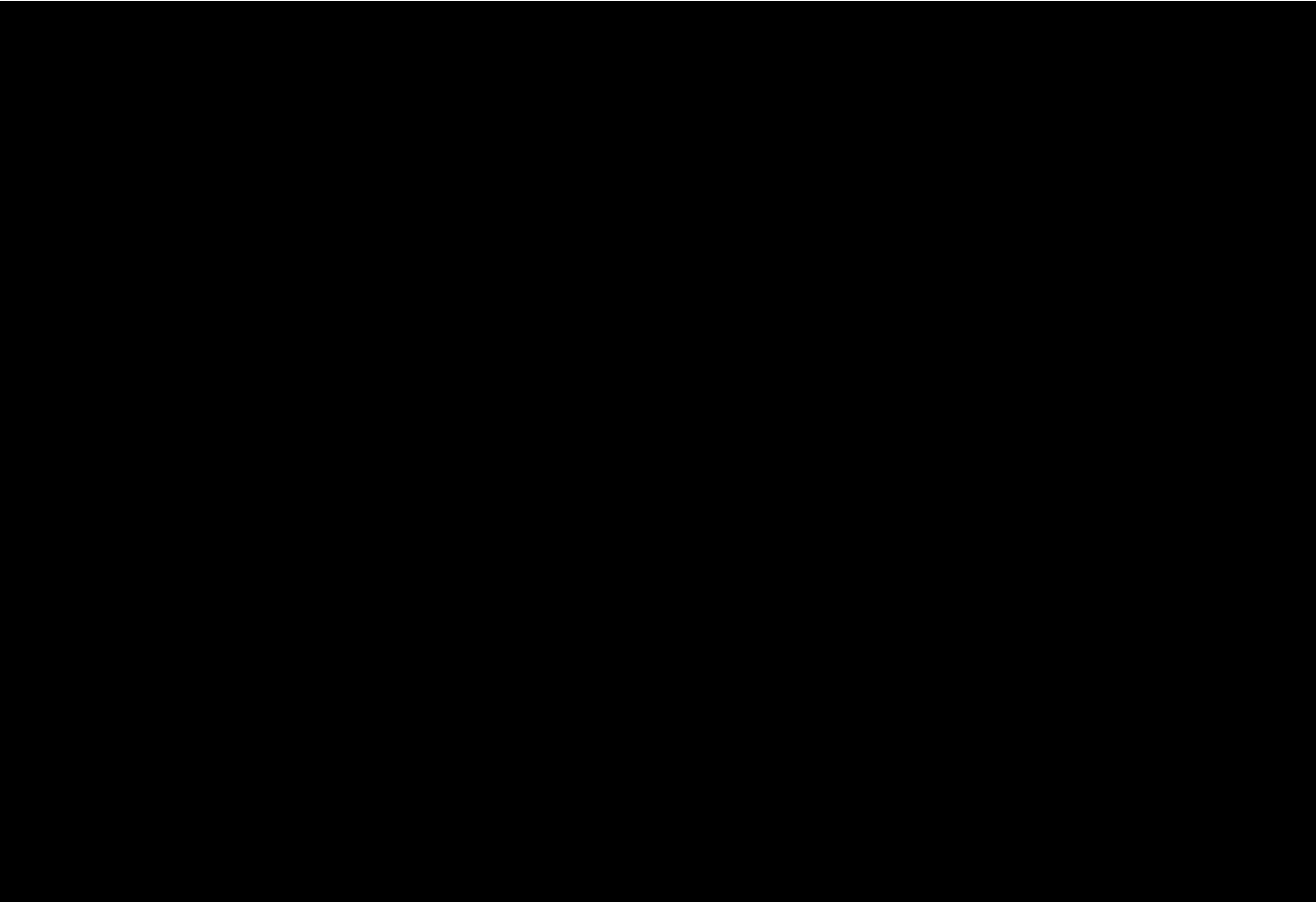


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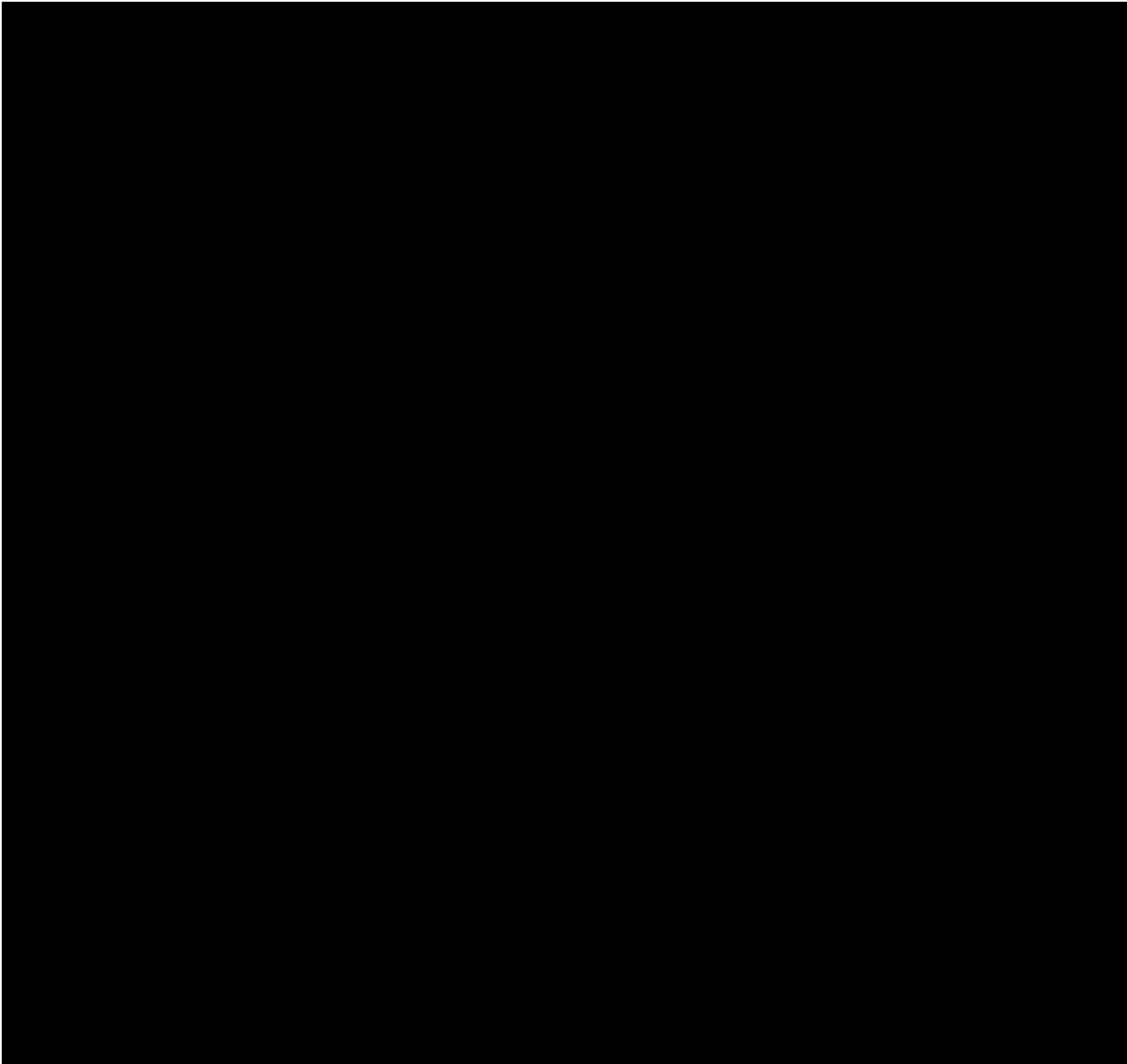


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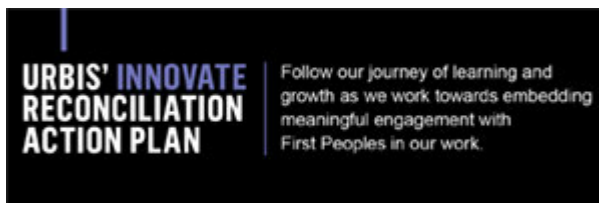
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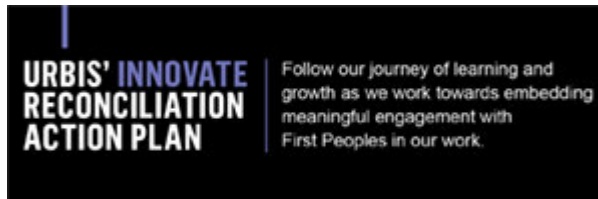
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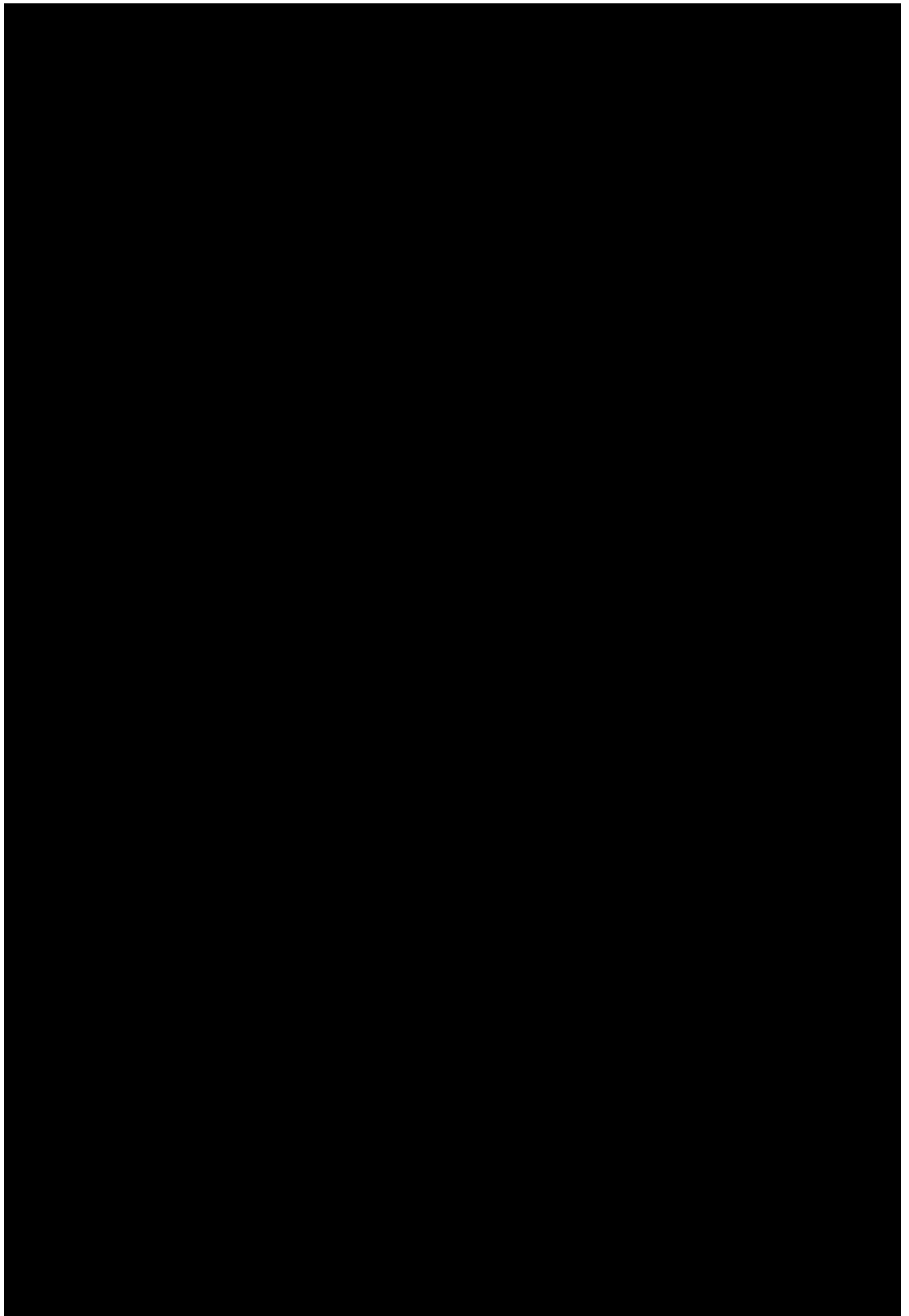


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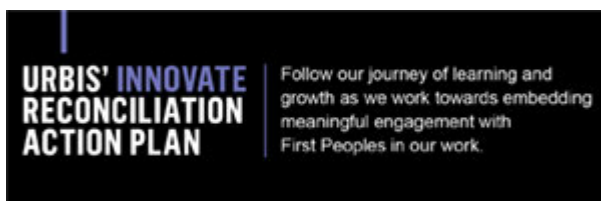
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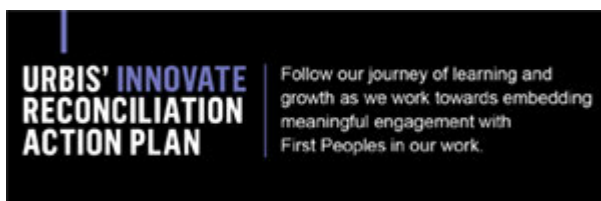
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In accordance with Sections 4.2 and 4.3 of the *Aboriginal cultural heritage consultation requirement for proponents 2010* (DECCW 2010), please find attached a letter which provides information on the project and the methodology proposed to be employed for the ACHA.

You will note that we have included a request for specific information in the form of a questionnaire. We would appreciate your response to that questionnaire as soon as possible.

If you wish to provide any comments in relation to the attached document, please do so by **5:00pm, 14 February 2025** to:

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Urbis has been commissioned by Newington College ('the Proponent') to undertake the ACHA to support a State Significant Development Application (SSDA) for alterations and additions to Newington College.

The Proponent can be contacted via: Ross Xenos; Chief Operating Officer; Newington College; via email: rxenos@newington.nsw.gov.au.

In accordance with Regulations 60(5)-(6) of the *National Parks and Wildlife Regulation 2019* ('NPW Reg') and Section 4.2 and 4.3 of the *Aboriginal cultural heritage consultation requirements for proponents 2010* (Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water NSW) ('the Consultation Requirements') this present communication aims to provide all Registered Aboriginal Parties (RAPs) with the proposed project information and a process to facilitate the following:

- Contribute to culturally appropriate information gathering and the research methodology.
- Provide information that will enable the cultural significance of Aboriginal objects and/or places on the proposed project area to be determined.
- Have input into the development of any cultural heritage management options.

SUBJECT AREA

The subject area is located at Newington College, 200 - 244 Stanmore Road and 221-235 Stanmore Road, Stanmore, NSW. The subject area comprises of the Main Campus and Concordia Building legally referred to as Lot 20 in DP879003, Lot 26 in DP879003, Lot 29 in DP879003, Lot 35 in DP880901 and Lot 8 in DP710369 and the Concordia Centre, immediately north of the main campus

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The subject area is bounded by and has primary frontages to Newington Road and Stanmore Road. The area surrounding the site is primarily zones as R2- Low Density Residential. The Main Campus is currently zoned as R2 - Low Density Residential, RE2 – Private Recreation and SP2 – Infrastructure.

PROPOSED WORKS

The proposal seeks concept approval for the following works, noting that these works would be the subject of further detailed applications at a later stage:

- Alterations and additions to Centenary Hall and development of an adjoining, four storey teaching and learning facility comprising classrooms (Site B).
- Redevelopment of the Concordia building to accommodate a performing arts theatre, multi-purpose gallery and examination space, classrooms and basement car parking with preferred access from Stanmore Road (Site C). The preferred outcome for the Concordia redevelopment also includes a new pedestrian bridge across Stanmore Road to the main campus.
- Stage 1 detailed works at Site A including:
 - Redevelopment of the Sevington Courts to accommodate a three-storey building comprising indoor sports courts, gymnasium and car parking. Two external sports courts are also proposed on the roof of the building and will be surrounded in netting.
 - Landscaping works throughout the site, including new tree planting.

METHODOLOGY

The proposed impact assessment process for the ACHA, including the input points into the investigation and assessment activities for RAPs, is outlined below, in accordance with Reg. 60(6) of the NPW Reg and Section 4.2.2(b) of the Consultation Requirements.

The ACHA will be conducted in accordance with Part 6 of the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974* ('NPW Act') and Part 5 of the NPW Reg. It will further adhere to the following guidelines:

- *Guide to Investigating, Assessing and Reporting on Aboriginal Cultural Heritage in NSW* (OEH 2011)
- *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents 2010* (DECCW 2010)
- *Code of Practice for Archaeological Investigation of Aboriginal Objects in New South Wales* (DECCW 2010)

The ACHA will follow the general methodology described in Table 1 below.

Table 1 – Aboriginal cultural heritage assessment methodology

Process Method	Description
Desktop assessment	Collection and evaluation of background information, including archaeological and historical resources and environmental conditions, to develop a predictive model for archaeological potential.
Consultation with RAPs	Providing information on the project to RAPs and gathering information about the proposed methodology and the Aboriginal cultural heritage values and significance of the subject area.
Preparation of draft ACHA report	Synthesis of all information collected during the ACHA process to prepare a draft assessment report and provision of the draft report to the Proponent and the RAPs for comments. The report will include an assessment of significance of any Aboriginal objects or Aboriginal cultural heritage values that may exist within the subject area, an impact assessment and provide management and mitigation measures.
Finalisation of ACHA report	Incorporation of all comments from the Proponent and RAPs into ACHA report and finalisation.

Urbis welcomes input and information from the RAPs at any stage throughout the entire process of the ACHA. Consistent with the Consultation Requirements, the formal input points for the consultation are the following:

- During Stage 2 and 3 – Following review of the current communication which presents information about the proposed project and ACHA methodology.
- During Stage 2 and 3 – During or following the site visit and meeting.
- During Stage 4 – Following review of the draft ACHA.

CRITICAL TIMELINES

The critical timelines and milestones for the completion of the ACHA and delivery of reports are presented in Table 2 below, in accordance with Section 4.22 (c) of the Consultation Requirements. Please note the presented timeframes are estimates only and are intended as a guide to allow forward planning of personnel and resources.

Table 2 – Critical timelines

Project Stage	Anticipated Timeframe
Stage 2 and 3: Provision of comments on the provided information and proposed methodology (this document)	Within 28 days of the present document date (i.e. by 14 February 2025)
Site Inspection	Within 1 week of the completion of Stages 2 and 3
Stage 4: Provision of the draft ACHA report (including the proposed management and mitigation measures) to the RAPs	Within 2 weeks of completion of the site inspection
Stage 4: Provision of comments on the draft ACHA report	Within 28 days of delivery of the draft ACHA report to RAPs
Stage 4: Finalisation of the ACHA report including the consideration of all comments and feedback	Within one week of the closing of the comment period for the draft ACHA report

ROLES, FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The roles, functions and responsibilities of the proponent and RAPs are defined below, in accordance with Section 4.2.2(d) of the Consultation Requirements.

The roles, functions and responsibilities of the Proponent, Urbis (acting on behalf of the Proponent), RAPs and any other parties involved in the consultation process are those defined in Section 5 of the Consultation Requirements.

Please note that, in accordance with Section 3.4 of the Consultation Requirements, consultation does not include the employment of Aboriginal people to assist in field assessment and/or site monitoring. Furthermore, there is no obligation on the Proponent to employ Aboriginal people registered for consultation. Aboriginal people may provide services to the Proponent through a contractual arrangement separate to the consultation process. Consultation will continue irrespective of potential or actual employment opportunities for Aboriginal people.

GATHERING CULTURAL INFORMATION

Urbis is providing the opportunity for RAPs to identify, raise and discuss their cultural concerns, perspectives and assessment requirements (if any), in accordance with Section 4.2.2(e) of the Consultation Requirements.

Urbis is actively seeking information on the cultural heritage and cultural significance of the subject area. Such information includes the existence of any Aboriginal objects of cultural value to Aboriginal people in or near the subject area (whether declared under s.84 of the NPW Act or not), including places of social, spiritual and cultural value, historic places with cultural significance and potential places/areas of historic, social, spiritual and/or cultural significance.



Please also consider the following when providing information:

- Do you have information on any Aboriginal objects within or near the subject area?
- Do you or somebody you know have information of cultural values, stories in relation to the subject area and if that information can be shared?

If you or your organisation has sensitive or restricted public access information for determining or managing the heritage values of the subject area, it is proposed that the proponent will manage this information (if provided by the Aboriginal community) in accordance with a sensitive cultural information management protocol. It is anticipated that the protocol will include making note of and managing the material in accordance with the following key limitations as advised by Aboriginal people at the time of the information being provided:

- Any restrictions on access of the material.
- Any restrictions on communication of the material (confidentiality).
- Any restrictions on the location/storage of the material.
- Any cultural recommendations on handling the material.
- Any names and contact details of persons authorised within the relevant Aboriginal group to make decisions concerning the Aboriginal material and degree of authorisation.
- Any details of any consent given in accordance with customary law.
- Any access and use by the RAPs of the cultural information.

Please consider the above list when providing your recommendations regarding any culturally sensitive information.

QUESTIONNAIRE

To streamline information gathering during Stage 2 and 3, and to inform the proponent for any field inspection component, Urbis requests the following information from you:

- **Cultural connection:** Please describe the nature of your cultural connection to the country on which the subject area is situated. Please include any **relevant cultural knowledge or knowledge of Aboriginal objects or places within the subject area**. Have you ever lived in or near the subject area? If you are a Traditional Owner, please state this clearly.
- **Representing your community members:** Please state who you or your organisation represents. Do you or your organisation represent other members of the Aboriginal community? If so, please describe how information is provided to the other members, and how their information and knowledge may be provided back to the proponent and Urbis.
- **Previous experience:** Please list your relevant (for example, in the area of the proposed project) previous experience in providing cultural heritage advice and survey participation.
- **Schedule of Rates:** Please provide your Certificate of Currency including Product and Public Liability Insurance and Worker's Compensation. Please also include a schedule of rates (hourly/half day/day) for fieldwork participation, and include any expenses you may expect to incur, and these will be sought to be reimbursed. *Please note that it is for the discretion for the proponent to decide if they invite RAPs for site works and the consultation process does not guarantee paid employment.*



Please provide your response to the above questions along with any other information you wish to provide to: Ginger- Rose Harrington; Consultant, Urbis Ltd; via email: gharrington@urbis.com.au.

Please provide the requested information by **5:00pm, 14 February 2025**. Comments received after that date might be excluded from the draft ACHAR.

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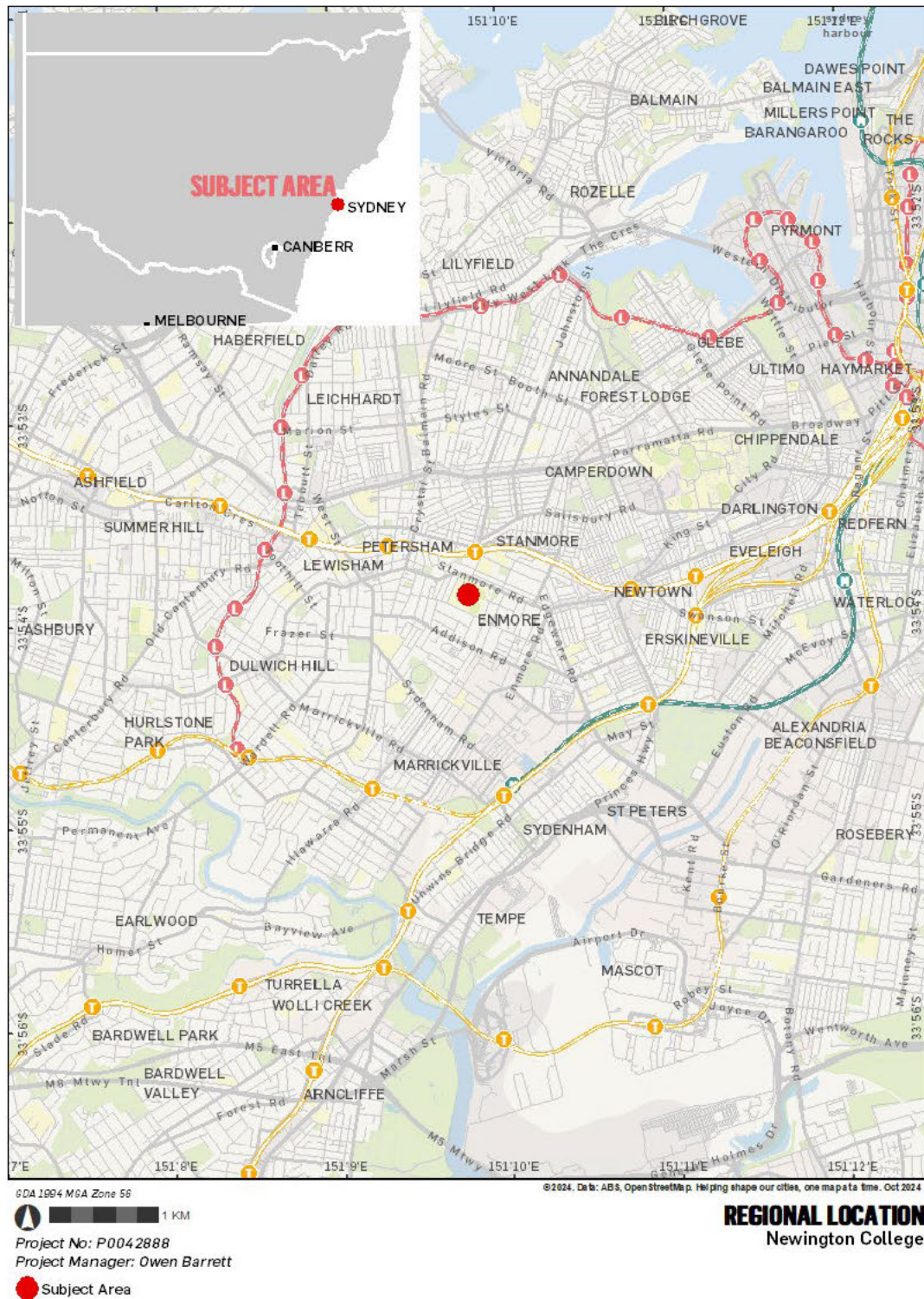


Figure 1 – Regional location of the subject area



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Subject Area — Contours

LOCATION OF THE SUBJECT AREA
Newington College

Figure 2 – Subject area

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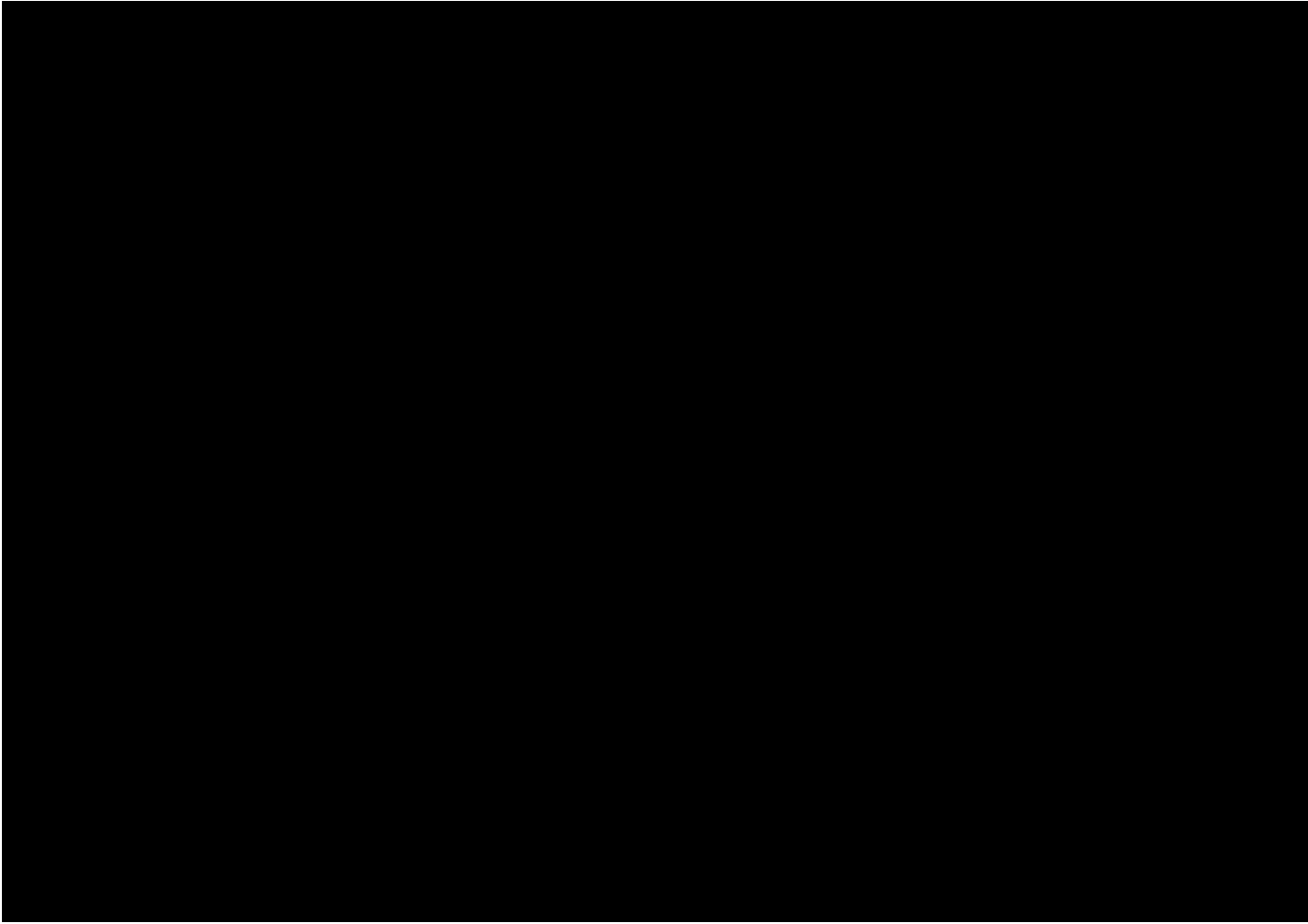


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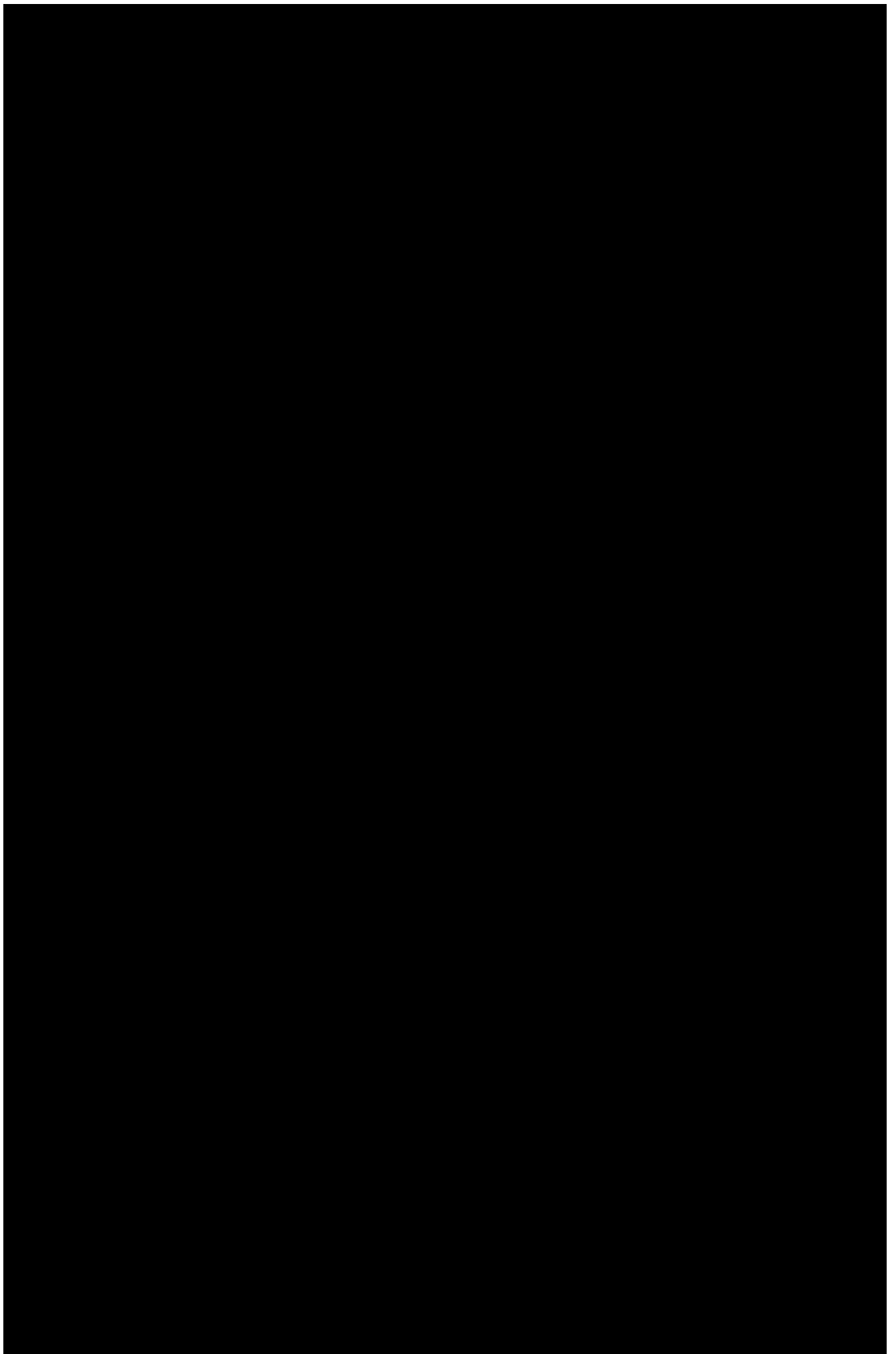
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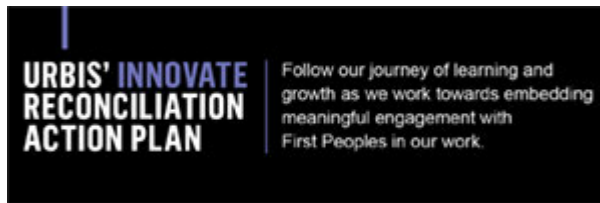
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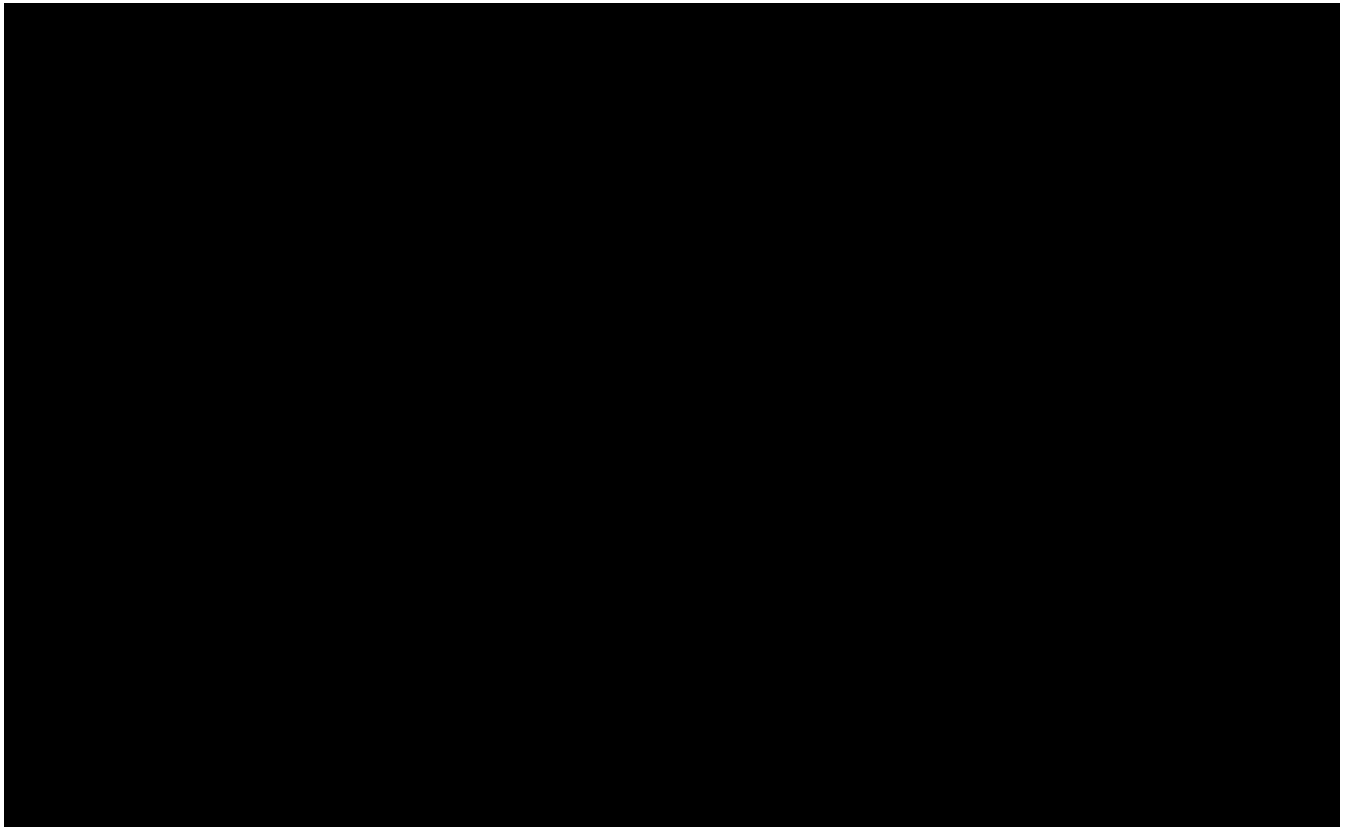


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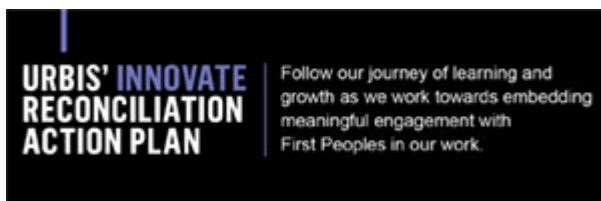
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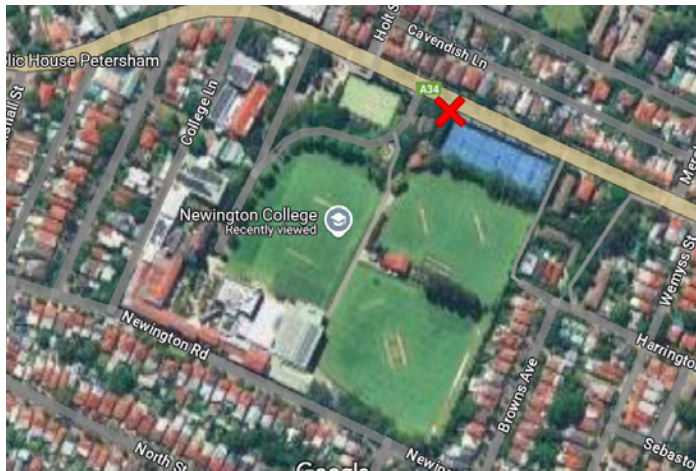
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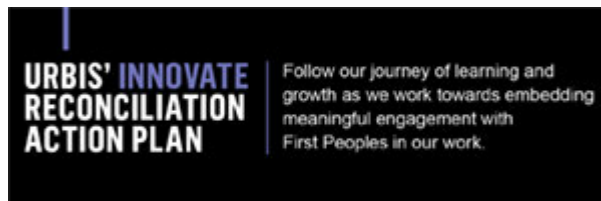
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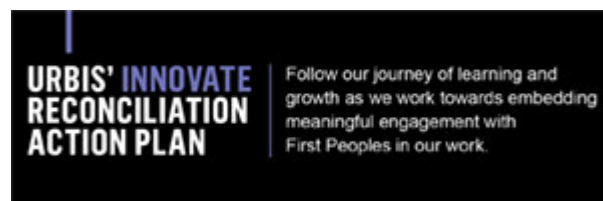
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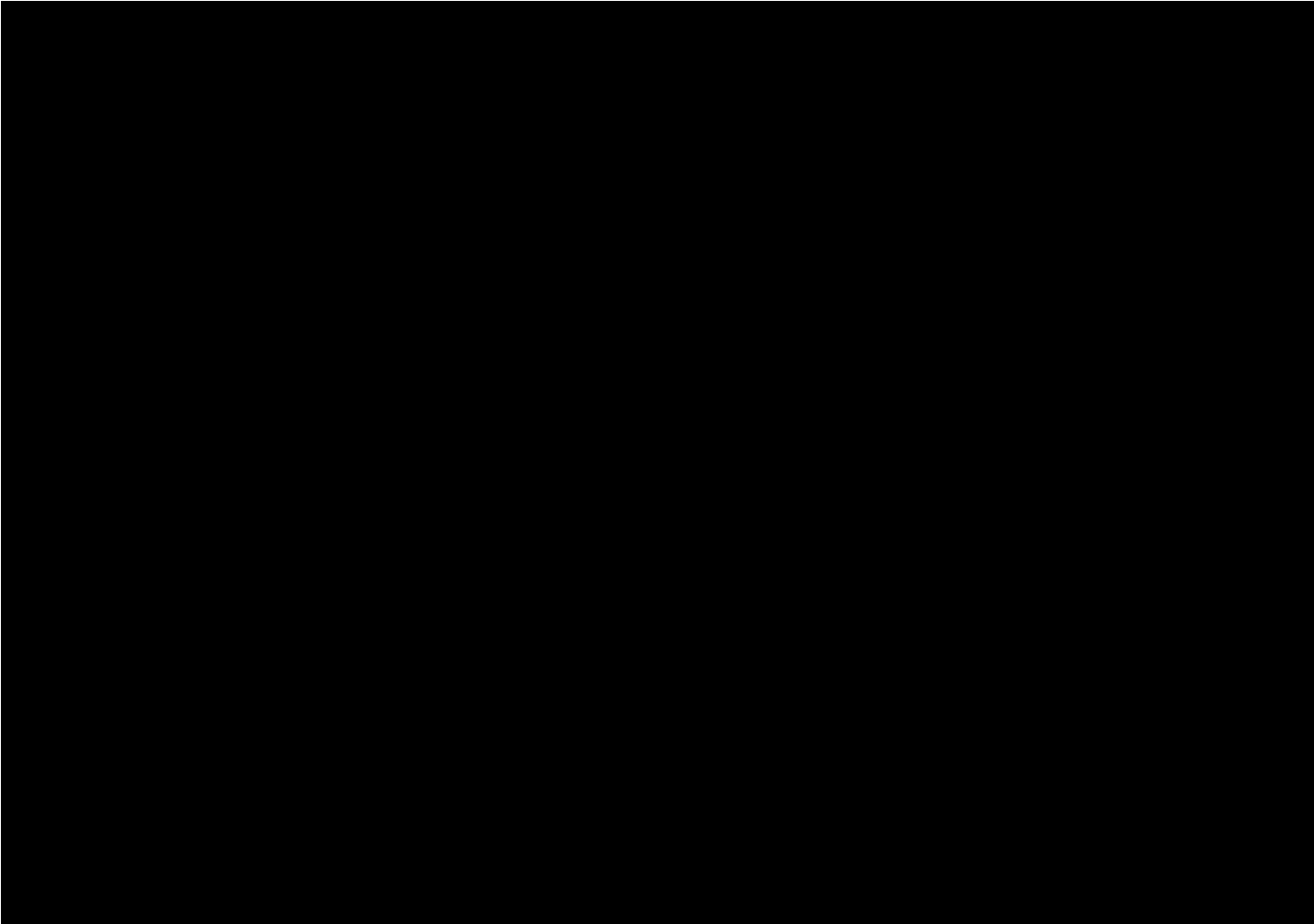


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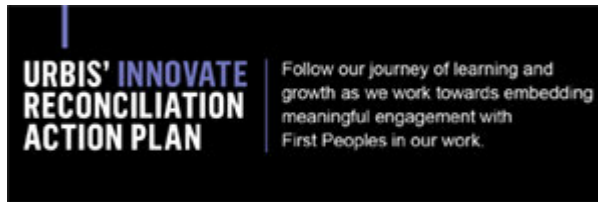
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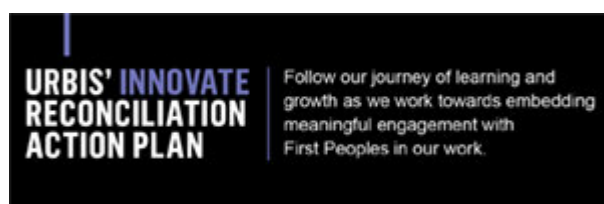
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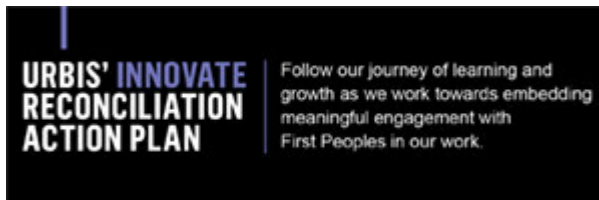
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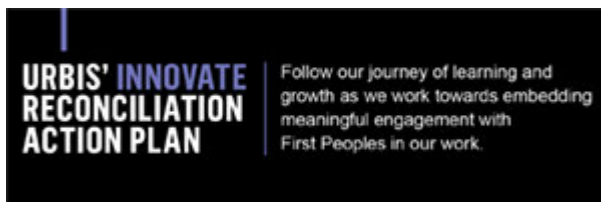
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Sent: Wednesday, 29 January 2025 10:35 AM

To: John Sokalik <jsokalik@urbis.com.au>

Cc: Ali Byrne <abyrne@urbis.com.au>

Subject: Stage 2&3 Site Inspection Invitation - Newington College ACHA (Our Ref# P0042888)

Good morning,

Thank you for your involvement with the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment (ACHA) for the proposed development at
200 - 244 Stanmore Road and 221-235 Stanmore Road, Stanmore.

Urbis invites you on behalf of Newington College to register your interest in attending an on-site meeting and inspection of the subject area. The meeting will provide the opportunity to familiarise yourself with the subject area, to discuss the cultural heritage approach and raise any cultural heritage information or concerns.

The site visit will take place at **10:00am on Wednesday 5th February 2025**. We expect the site visit will take approximately 1-2 hours.

The Proponent has agreed to remuneration for one representative from each registered organisation for the site visit. Please note that the Proponent will not cover any additional time required for travel to and from the site.

If you wish to attend the site visit, **please respond** accordingly and provide the following no later than **31st January 2025:**

1. Name and mobile phone number of the nominated site officer.

2. Insurances (if not already provided).
3. Schedule of rates (if not already provided).

Please provide your registration of interest and associated documentation to:

Ginger-Rose Harrington
Consultant, Urbis Ltd.

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Please do not hesitate to contact us should you have any queries in relation to the provided information.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards

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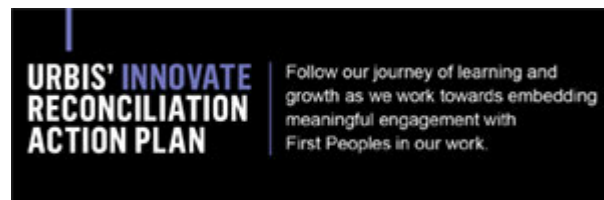
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From: [Hayley Campbell](#)
Cc: [Ali Byrne](#)

Subject: Newington College, Stanmore NSW - ACHA - Project Update (Our ref: P0042888)
Date: Friday, 11 July 2025 2:43:00 PM
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Kind regards,

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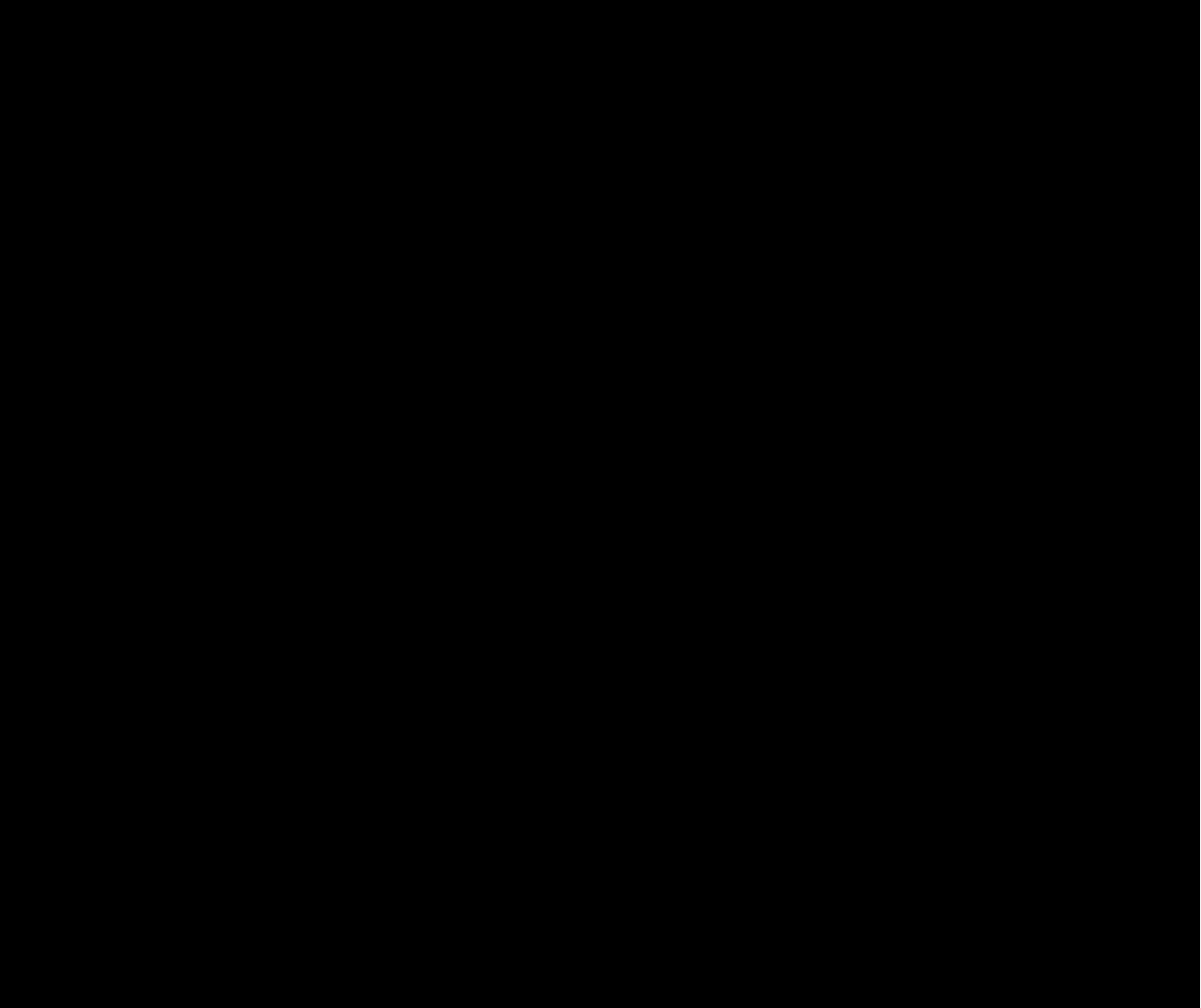
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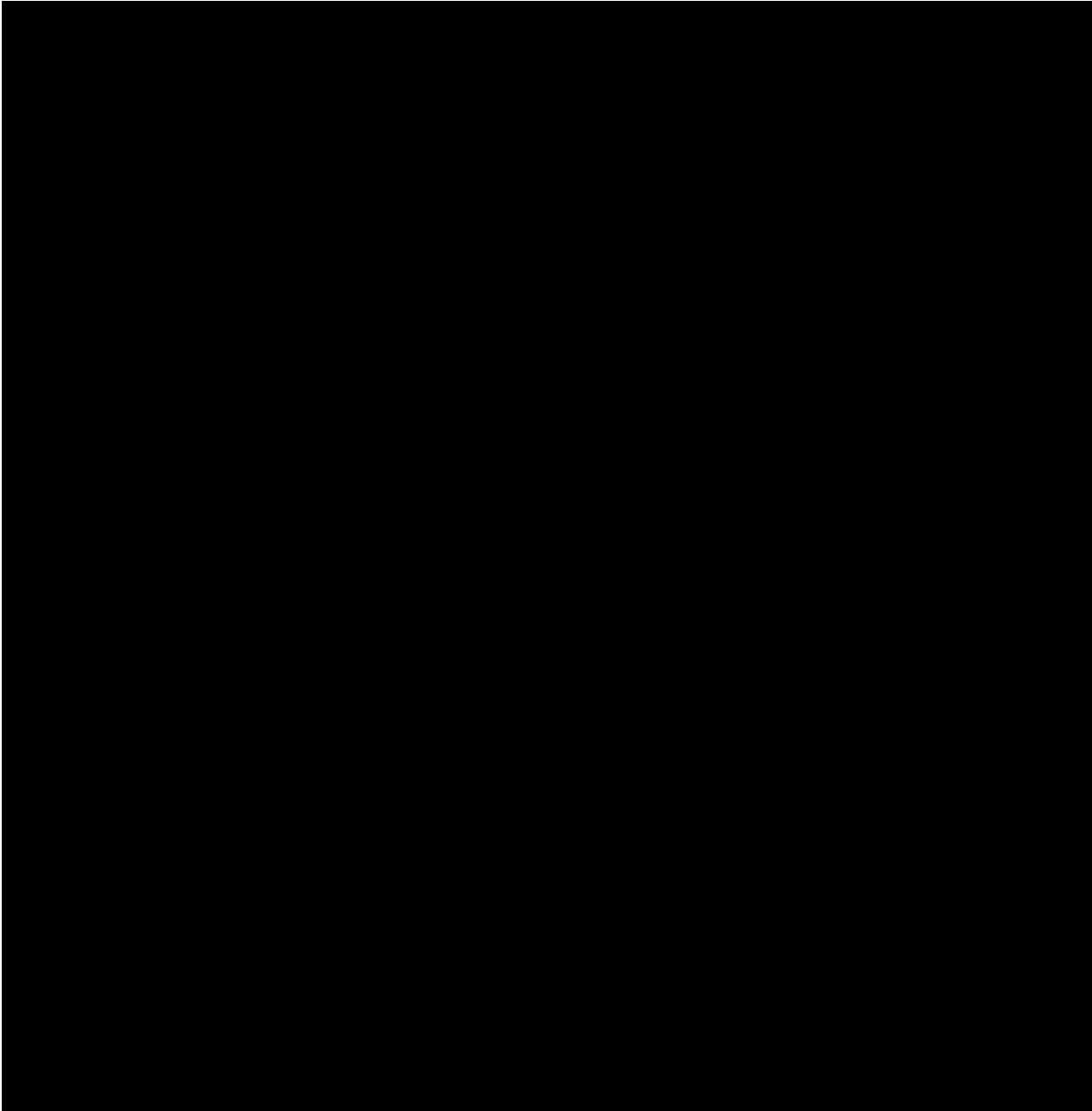
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From: [Juliet Scholefield](#)
Cc: [Ali Byrne](#); [Jaki Kennedy](#); [Natalie Taylor](#)
Subject: Newington College Stage 4.2. - Draft ACHAR
Date: Wednesday, 10 September 2025 2:31:00 PM
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Good morning,

Thank you again for registering your interest in the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment (ACHA) of Newington College at 200-244 Stanmore Road and 221-235 Stanmore Road, Stanmore (the 'subject area').

In accordance with Section 4.4 Stage 4 – Review of draft cultural heritage assessment report of the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents (DECCW, 2010), attached is the draft Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment Report (ACHAR) for your consideration and comment. Please provide any comments in relation to the draft ACHAR by **5pm, 9 October 2025** to the below:

Juliet Scholefield
Consultant
Urbis Pty Ltd
Level 8, 123 Pitt Street
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Please note comments received after 9 October 2025 may not be included in the final ACHAR.

If you have any questions, please let us know. We look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,

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Date: Friday, 5 December 2025 1:40:00 PM
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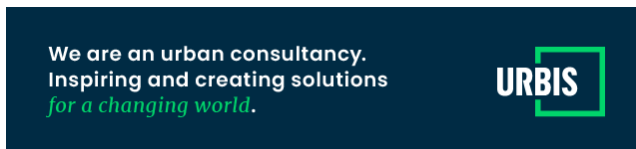
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From: Natalie Taylor <ntaylor@urbis.com.au>

Sent: Friday, 5 December 2025 1:40 PM



Cc: Ali Byrne <abyrne@urbis.com.au>; Jaki Kennedy <jkennedy@urbis.com.au>

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From: [Owen Barrett](#)
To: [Ali Byrne](#)

Subject: Newington College, Stanmore NSW - ACHA - Project Update (Our ref: P0042888)
Date: Monday, 8 December 2025 11:38:00 AM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

Good afternoon,

Thank you for your continued interest in the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment (ACHA) regarding Newington College, Stanmore NSW.

The project is progressing and we will provide further updates in the new year. We hope you enjoy the Christmas break.

Kind regards

Owen Barrett
Senior Consultant

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From: [Juliet Scholefield](#)

Subject: ACHA Update, Newington College
Date: Tuesday, 7 April 2026 4:29:00 PM
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Good afternoon,

Thank you for your interest in the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment of Newington College, Stanmore NSW.

Please note that the consultation process for this project is still ongoing and we will be in touch with further information in due course.

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