



Cliffbrook's heritage significance

- Carvings and rock engravings show that Aboriginal people have been living around the western coastline for many thousands of years.
- The Cliffrise Creek House is a rare historic building, believed to be the only one of its kind in the State.
- The general area was known to local Aboriginal people as Coogee.
- Cliffrise House (1923), the garage and the bounding sandstone walls are listed on the NSW State Heritage Register as significant heritage items.
- Cliffrise House is architecturally significant as a fine example of late Victorian Free Classical Style and for a number of late elements of Tarratara Style. It is also historically significant due to its associations with historical figures such as John Thompson, Mayor of Randwick in 1973 and Sir Denham Barr who was the 1st Governor of the Commonwealth.

- The current Cliffbrook House replaced an earlier residence (of the same name). The original Cliffbrook House was constructed in the 1880s and was sited to the south of the current site, below the drainage line that discharged into Gordons Bay.

- A Conservation Management Plan is being developed for the site which will provide a framework to ensure future development will maintain and enhance the heritage fabric.
- European and Indigenous Archaeological survey work has commenced on the site to understand the archaeological overlays. The surveys will continue during the design phases and the early construction phases of the project.

What modifications to the heritage elements are anticipated?

Cliffbrook House is viewed as a "vill in the round" and it is important to UNSW that this setting is celebrated, maintaining its significance to the surrounding context and streetscape.

- Excavating sandstone wall: Restored and retained.
- Cribwork House and Garage: Restored and adaptively reused to accommodate learning facilities.



Initial investigations

Acoustics

Initial investigations of the site's acoustic impact began with the placement of an acoustic log on site to monitor and record background noise. During the early design phases, the acoustic impact the development will be carefully assessed to ensure compliance with authority requirements.

Hazardous Materials

To manage the ongoing safety of the environment, LINSW has undertaken a Hazardous Materials survey. The findings and recommendations of this survey will be released during demolition of the existing non-heritage buildings and any required excavation.

Traffic Management

Initial assessment of the existing traffic condition has been undertaken by the specialist consultants engaged by UNDA to better understand the level of the renewal and to ensure appropriate measures are incorporated into the design. Car parking will be provided on site to comply with authority requirements.

Water Management

investigations have commenced by the Civil Engineers engaged by UNDA. These investigations will inform the design during the early design phases to ensure that impact to the local ecology is managed.

Views

View assessments will be undertaken by a specialised consultant engaged by UNSW to assess existing views and to inform the early phase of the design to mitigate view loss from neighbouring properties and on the heritage building.

Arbeitsort

To understand the condition and significance of the existing trees, URSNV have engaged an Arborist. The Arborist has undertaken an investigation, identifying the tree numbers, species, height and spread, significance, life expectancy and protection requirements.

Risks and Rewards

Preliminary investigations to examine and document the existing flora and fauna on the site have commenced. The findings and recommendations will inform the development of the campus and ongoing management of the site's environment and ecology.

European and Indigenous Archaeology

Initial archaeological investigations have commenced and will continue throughout the design and construction of the project. The archaeologists will implement an archaeological management plan and will work closely with the project team to monitor any potential archaeological evidence which may be uncovered.

