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Dear Mr Gibson

**NOTICE OF EXHIBITION FOR DARLINGTON TERRACES MIXED USE DEVELOPMENT,
THE UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY (SSD 7539)**

Reference is made to your correspondence received on 14 May 2018 notifying the Heritage Council of NSW of the exhibition of, and inviting comment on, the abovementioned State Significant Development application for a mixed use development at Darlington Terraces (the site), a group of 38 terrace houses at 86-87, 88, 90-93, 94, 95, 96-103, 104-123, and 124-121 Darlington Road, Darlington. Key elements of the proposal include:

- Alterations and additions to the Darlington Road Terraces and Darlington House to provide a mix of university related uses including: student accommodation; study areas; meeting rooms; teaching facilities; E Learning; bicycle storage and maintenance storage; and
- Public domain improvements to Darlington Lane and the Codrington Street pocket park.

The site is not listed on the State Heritage Register (SHR), or the S170 NSW State Agency Heritage Register of the University of Sydney. However, it is listed on the *Sydney Local Environmental Plan 2012*, and is in the vicinity of the draft State Heritage Register (SHR) item under consideration for listing entitled *The University of Sydney, University Colleges and Victoria Park (Draft)*, Camperdown.

Accordingly, the following comments are provided:

- The proposed development would not intrude into the physical curtilage or visual setting of any items listed on the SHR and therefore would not generate any negative heritage impacts to items of State heritage significance;
- Considering the internal modifications and rear demolition of elements of the locally listed terraces, the input of the City of Sydney Council should be sought; and
- As noted in the heritage impact assessment, archaeological testing has been carried out along Darlington Lane and the adjacent Abercrombie Street site and provided evidence that archaeological potential in this area is low. This is considered to reflect the likely archaeological potential of the site and accordingly, no additional archaeological testing is warranted. However, to ensure that during construction potential archaeological relics are appropriately managed, an archaeological monitoring strategy should be devised to manage archaeology during the development rather than a watching brief as currently proposed. This strategy should include areas that will be subject to archaeological

monitoring, unexpected finds procedure, final reporting and provisions for the long-term storage and interpretation of archaeological finds in the new development.

Recommended Conditions of Consent

1. Archaeological Monitoring Strategy – an archaeological monitoring strategy will be devised and submitted to the Department of Planning and Environment for approval prior to the commencement of construction on the project. The strategy will provide information on the areas requiring archaeological monitoring, unexpected finds procedures, final reporting and provisions for the long term storage and interpretation of archaeological finds.

The Greater Western Sydney Region Team of the Office of Environment and Heritage may provide separate comment on Aboriginal cultural heritage.

If you have any questions regarding the above matter, please contact Anna London, Senior Heritage Assessment Officer at the Heritage Division, Office of Environment and Heritage on 02 9873 8608 or anna.london@environment.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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