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Advice provided via the Major Project Portal

Dear Mr Devine

### **Notice of Exhibition – Al-Faisal College Liverpool (SSD-10445) (Liverpool City)**

Thank you for referring the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the above State Significant Development (SSD) to Heritage NSW for comment on 24 November 2020. We understand this SSD relates to the expansion of the existing primary school located on Lot 9 DP1207216 and Lot 14 DP831988 including additional buildings and sporting areas, and the addition of a new middle and senior school with sporting fields on Lot 37 DP3403 and Lot DP1243351.

In preparing the following advice we have reviewed the following documents:

- SEARs for SSD-10445, issued 23 April 2020
- Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment Report (ACHAR) - prepared by Tocomwall Pty Ltd (Tocomwall), dated 12 November 2020
- Environmental Impact Statement Al-Faisal College (EIS) - prepared by Planning Ingenuity, dated 17 November 2020.

### **Aboriginal cultural heritage regulation review of EIS and ACHAR**

Heritage NSW has reviewed the EIS and ACHAR and notes that no Aboriginal objects, areas of potential archaeological deposit (PAD) or Aboriginal Places were located within the development and construction footprint of the study area. Furthermore, that the study area is situated on a landform that has been subjected to historic land clearance, agriculture and urban development.

An archaeological survey was conducted of the study area in July 2020, with representatives from the Gandangara Local Aboriginal Land Council and registered Aboriginal party Kamilaroi-Yankuntjatjara Working Group. A test excavation program was undertaken in September 2020.

It was concluded by Tocomwall that the study area has very low to nil archaeological potential and that there should be no Aboriginal cultural heritage constraints for the proposed development.

It is understood that Aboriginal consultation for the project has been undertaken in accordance with the *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents* (DECCW 2010). The results of the archaeological survey, test excavation and Aboriginal consultation were used to formulate the management recommendations. The Registered Aboriginal Parties for the project supported the recommendations included in the ACHAR.

**Aboriginal cultural heritage regulation advice for EIS**

Heritage NSW supports the mitigation measures and recommendations outlined by Tocomwall in Section 10 (on pages 39-40) of the ACHAR (12 November 2020). We note these measures are listed in section 10.5 of the EIS (page 164).

We recommend the EIS and any Construction Environmental Management Plan prepared for the project incorporate an unanticipated finds procedure for Aboriginal objects to ensure the mitigation measures and recommendations outlined in the ACHAR are included.

Please note: the above comments relate only to Aboriginal cultural heritage regulation matters. You may wish to seek separate advice from Heritage NSW in relation to matters under the *Heritage Act 1977*.

If you have any questions regarding the above advice please contact Kym McNamara, Archaeologist, Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Regulation – South, Heritage NSW, on (02) 6229 7028 or via email at [kym.mcnamara@environment.nsw.gov.au](mailto:kym.mcnamara@environment.nsw.gov.au).

Yours sincerely



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