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Dear Ms Berzins,

**Notice of Exhibition of application for Children's Hospital Westmead, Stage 2 Paediatric Services Building (SSD 10349252)**

Thank you for your referral dated 12 April 2021 inviting comments from the Heritage Council of NSW on the above State Significant Development (SSD) proposal.

The proposed development involves:

- Construction of a new paediatric services building on the site of the decommissioned P17 carpark. It includes works associated with Hawkesbury Road, access links, landscaping and alterations to adjacent buildings.

The proposed SSD affects no State Heritage Register (SHR) items, however it is in the vicinity of the Cumberland District Hospital Group. The following reports were considered in our assessment:

- *Children's Hospital Westmead Stage 2, Paediatric Services Building – Heritage Impact Assessment*, prepared by Jacobs, dated 20 January 2021.

As delegate of the Heritage Council of NSW, I provide the following comments:

- The proposed works may have a low-moderate visual impact on the Glengariff/Wisteria Gardens Precinct of the Cumberland District Hospital Group. The assessment recommends suitable trees be planted as soon as practical along the western boundary of the Glengariff/Wisteria Gardens Precinct. While this advice is useful it is noted that this is not a change to the project to attempt to mitigate this impact. As such it is recommended that additional investigation is completed to identify if a visual treatment on the project buildings or in the project area can be used to mitigate this impact.
- The proposal identifies that the works are in Archaeological Management Unit 3070, which is considered to have moderate potential for locally significant relics. However, the assessment provides additional research that indicates that the works area is unlikely to have retained this potential due to the impacts from previous developments. This is an appropriate assessment. The recommendation of unexpected finds for the project is adequate.

If you have any questions regarding the above advice, please contact Rebecca Newell, Senior Historical Archaeology Officer at Heritage NSW on 9876 8632 or [Rebecca.Newell@environment.nsw.gov.au](mailto:Rebecca.Newell@environment.nsw.gov.au).

Yours sincerely

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