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Dear Mr Ball

**Notice of Exhibition of application for Budawang School for Specific Purposes  
SSD 8845345**

Thank you for your referral dated 4 May 2021 inviting comments from the Heritage Council of NSW on the above State Significant Development SSD 8845345 proposal. These comments are in relation to historical archaeology only.

The proposed development involves:

- Site preparation works including demolition of existing structures, earthworks and tree removal;
- Construction of five buildings, including: One-storey library and administrative building;
  - One-storey multi-purpose hall;
  - Two one-storey homebase buildings with capacity for up to 56 students;
  - One-storey hydrotherapy building;
- At-grade car park with 30 spaces; and
- Integrated landscaping, fencing and signage.

The proposed SSD 8845345 proposal, 17 Croobyar Road, Milton, is not listed on the State Heritage Register. There are no items listed on the State Heritage Register within the vicinity of the SSD 8845348 proposal. The site is in the vicinity of several local items on the Shoalhaven City Council Local Environmental Plan (2014).

The following reports were considered in our assessment:

- *Heritage and Historical Archaeological Report: Budawang SSP, 17 Croobyar Road, Milton, NSW*, Report Prepared by Tocomwall, Dated February 2021;
- *Environmental Impact Statement Budawang School (SSD 8845345)*, Report prepared by Mecone, Dated 29 April 2021.

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

*Assessment of archaeological potential and archaeological impact*

The assessment provides a limited history to determine the archaeological potential of the proposal area. The assessment considers that archaeological features and deposits are

unlikely to be present within the proposal area. As a result, the assessment considers that it is unlikely that any significant archaeological relics would be impacted by the proposal.

Heritage NSW considers that the archaeological potential and archaeological impact assessments are adequate.

*Assessment of significance*

The significance assessment presented (Section 4.4 and Section 4.5) only addresses the significance of the former Anglican College which was noted as utilising the proposal area for educational purposes from at least the early 1990s. A significance assessment for the site prior to the construction of the Anglican College has not been included.

Heritage NSW considers that the site significance assessment should have been expanded and refined. Although community/stakeholder consultation is not a statutory requirement, the assessment should clarify if consultation has been undertaken in response to criterion (d) (Section 4.4).

*Items listed on the Local Environmental Plan*

As the site is adjacent to local items, advice should be sought from Shoalhaven City Council.

As the proposal does not affect any matters within the remit of the Heritage Council of NSW we advise that further referrals would not be required.

If you have any questions regarding the above advice, please contact Joshua Madden, Senior Historical Archaeology Officer, at Heritage NSW on 02 9873 8512 or [josh.madden@environment.nsw.gov.au](mailto:josh.madden@environment.nsw.gov.au).

Yours sincerely



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