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Dear Mr Crinnion

Modification application for Armidale High School MOD 2 – Multipurpose Hall (SSD-9095-Mod 2)

Thank you for your referral dated 12 October 2020 inviting comments from the Heritage Council of NSW on the modification of the above State Significant Development (SSD) proposal. These comments follow previous advice on the proposal from Heritage NSW provided during April and May 2018 and then further comments on 1 May 2018.

The proposed modifications to the approved development involve:

- *Construction of a multi-purpose hall, consisting of:*
 - *Gymnasium*
 - *Stage*
 - *Movement studio*
 - *Fitness Lab*
 - *Male and female change rooms and amenities*
 - *2 x General Learning Space*
 - *Storage rooms*
 - *Staff room*
 - *Kitchen and servery*
- *Associated landscaping for the multi-purpose hall;*
- *Amendment to the Ag Building including:*
 - *Removal of skylights*
 - *Doors to Ag lab and animal holding area changed to roller shutters*
 - *Fencing modifications around the DEN, AG building and multi-purpose hall; and*
- *Amendments to the Ag Plot including:*
 - *Service poles removed;*
 - *Gravel driveway added; and*
- *Location of Chicken shed and greenhouse amended.*

The site is a heritage item of local significance under *Armidale Dumaresq Local Environmental Plan 2012*, comprising the original c.1921 school building and grounds. The site is also listed as local significance on the School Infrastructure NSW (SINSW) s170 heritage and conservation register.

The site is not listed on the State Heritage Register (SHR), although the following three SHR items are near the site:

- *Railway Turntable* (SHR no. 01233)

- *Armidale Railway Station & Stationmaster's Residence* (SHR no. 1074)
- *Armidale Railway Station and Yard Group Movable Relics* (SHR no. 01075)

The following reports were considered in our assessment:

- *S4.55 Report, prepared by DFP Planning Consultants, 28/08/2020;*
- *Statement of Heritage Impact, prepared by NBRHS Heritage, 11/09/2020;*

Advice on proposed modification

1. The proposal will have no adverse impact upon the railway items of State heritage significance located in the vicinity.
2. The Heritage Division also advises that no further referral is required to the Heritage Council unless State significant historic heritage or archaeology is subsequently identified.

As the site contains a local heritage item, and other local items are in the vicinity, advice should be sought from the relevant local council.

If you have any questions regarding the above advice, please contact Tempe Beaven, Senior Heritage Assessment Officer, at Heritage NSW, on 9873 8629 or Tempe.Beaven@environment.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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