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Dear Aliza

**Re: Heritage input into scoping report to support SEARs request for 90-102 Regent Street Redfern.**

The following memo has been developed to support the development of a scoping report in support of the request for the Secretaries Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARs) for the proposed development.

**Potential heritage impacts of the proposed development and potential for cumulative impact with other proposals in the locality**

Aboriginal Archaeology

Potential heritage impacts to Aboriginal archaeology include the potential for the proposed works to impact Aboriginal objects (such as stone artefacts or shell middens) that may be located beneath the ground surface of the existing structure or on the ground surface within existing yard surfaces.

Impact to Aboriginal archaeology within the study area if present would result in a cumulative impact by the increasing removal of the remaining Aboriginal archaeological resource within the area.

Aboriginal Cultural Heritage

Botany Rd is based on an ancient Aboriginal travel corridor, the area was rich in resources, and historical records indicate that Aboriginal people occupied areas near Redfern station in the 1800s. Redfern is the birthplace of the Aboriginal rights movement and has many contemporary connections to Aboriginal culture. Continued residential development has the potential to erode these cultural values by lessening the memories and connection to place.

Built Heritage

The current buildings within the study area may contain heritage values associated with its current built form. The removal of the current buildings by the proposed development may result in a direct impact to built heritage within the study area.

Heritage items within the vicinity of the study area may be impacted by the visual prominence of the development within the landscape.

Impact to the study area may result in a cumulative visual impact to heritage items within the vicinity of the study area associated with changing nature of Regent Street towards high density residential development

### Non-Aboriginal Archaeology

Redevelopment has the potential to impact archaeological remains of former built structures which may remain under the ground surface. Remains may relate to significant events or people or may more widely be representative of development within the Redfern area.

Depending on the nature of the potential archaeological remains, removal of these remains (if present) could result in the further reduction of the archaeological record relating to specific events, people or time periods.

### **Likely mitigation measures**

The following identifies potential mitigation measures which may be recommended as part of the proposed heritage assessments. Further mitigation measures may be recommended following detailed assessment.

### Aboriginal Archaeology

- Staged archaeological salvage excavation (if appropriate)
- Implementation of an unexpected finds policy

### Aboriginal Cultural Heritage

- Development of an Aboriginal heritage interpretation strategy
- Incorporation of Aboriginal artwork, design and naming conventions into the built form of the proposed development
- Use of native plantings

### Built Heritage

- Retention of existing built form
- Incorporation of elements of existing built form into proposed development
- Incorporating design elements from existing built form into proposed development
- Use of recessive tones to limit impact to surrounding heritage items.
- Photographic Archival recording of heritage items

### Non-Aboriginal Archaeology

- Non-Aboriginal test excavation or salvage excavation
- Monitoring of earthworks
- Implementation of an unexpected finds policy

### **Likelihood of community concerns warranting consultation**

### Aboriginal Archaeology and Aboriginal Cultural Heritage

Comprehensive consultation with local Aboriginal groups will be undertaken during proposed ACHAR assessment.

#### Built Heritage and Non-Aboriginal Archaeology

Impacts to built heritage have the potential to elicit strong responses from the local community. Responses may be received from local council, local historical societies and stakeholders of adjacent heritage items.

#### **Level of assessment required**

##### Aboriginal Archaeology and Aboriginal Cultural Heritage

Completion of an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment report (ACHAR) in accordance with the Code of Practice for Archaeological Investigations of Aboriginal Objects in NSW (OEH 2010)

Completion of an ACHAR will include comprehensive consultation with Aboriginal stakeholders, an assessment of Aboriginal cultural values and an archaeological assessment of the potential for Aboriginal objects to be present beneath the ground surface. The report will recommend management and mitigation measures to offset any impact to Aboriginal objects or Aboriginal cultural heritage.

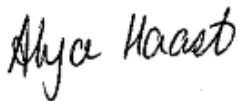
##### Built Heritage and Non-Aboriginal Archaeology

Completion of a Statement of Heritage Impact (SoHI) in accordance with the guidelines in the NSW Heritage Manual. The SoHI will assess impacts of heritage items in the vicinity of the study area and the potential for non-Aboriginal archaeological remains to be present. The SoHI should include a significance assessment of any potential items of heritage significance that are identified.

##### Heritage Interpretation

A heritage interpretation strategy will be completed to outline the potential interpretation pathways related to Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal heritage within and in the vicinity of the study area.

Kind Regards,



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