SICEEP PPP – Response to Heritage Branch Submission

Comment	Response
An interpretation plan has also been recommended by the	A Heritage Interpretation Strategy covering the whole of the SICEEP site has been prepared by
archaeological consultants, however, the Heritage Branch notes that it	TKD Architects, as the first stage of the interpretation process. The Heritage Interpretation
would be more appropriate for history, archaeological results and	Strategy is provided at Appendix O, and is discussed at Section 2.6 of the Response to
findings to be included in a broader Interpretation Plan for the broader	Submissions report.
SICEEP Precinct.	Dill is she consulted to develop on the first science in the interventent on Discover and the the
Also, the current EIS refers to preparation of an Interpretation Strategy. It	DHL is also committed to development of a precinct-wide Interpretation Plan as required by the
has been the experience of the Heritage Branch with other major	Heritage Branch. The Interpretation Plan will be guided by the Heritage Interpretation Strategy at
projects that an Interpretation Strategy may not be sufficient to ensure	Appendix O to ensure that all opportunities for the site's interpretation are explored and to ensure that it is fully integrated with the site's development.
the delivery of a public interpretation outcome.	
An Interpretation Strategy will provide a framework with key messages	It is proposed that a requirement to develop a precinct-wide interpretation plan prior to the issue of
and may also recommend methods of interpretation. An Interpretation	a construction certificate for the public domain be imposed by condition of consent, and that the
<i>Plan</i> would provide more detail regarding the actually intended	precinct-wide interpretation plan be required to be submitted to and signed off by the Director
interpretative elements, for example the proposed final content, design,	General.
materials and finish of elements such as interpretative panels or other	
devices which are intended to make apparent and communicate the	
significance of the place.	
The Proponent shall prepare an Heritage Management Plan in	DHL is committed to developing a Heritage Management Plan in consultation with the Heritage
consultation with the Heritage Branch of the Office of Environment &	Branch as part of the Construction Environmental Management Plan. The requirement to prepare
Heritage as part of the Construction Environmental Management Plan.	the Heritage Management Plan is appropriately dealt with via condition of consent.
That document shall include details of all procedures to be implemented	
during the works in relation to heritage items and historical archaeology.	
A specialist heritage manager and an archaeological consultant shall be	DHL will appoint a specialist heritage manager and archaeological consultant prior to the
nominated for the works. The consultants shall have appropriate	construction phase to monitor works in relation to on site heritage. The heritage manager will
qualifications and experience commensurate with the scope of the Major	submit a report to the Director-General upon completion of the works, in accordance with the
Project works. The name and experience of these consultants shall be	requirements of the Heritage Branch. This is a matter appropriately dealt with via condition of
submitted to the Director-General for approval prior to commencement of	consent.
works. The heritage consultants shall advise on the detail design	
resolution of new works, and manage the implementation of the	

conditions of approval for the Project. A report by the heritage manager (illustrated by works' photographs) shall be submitted to the Director- General for approval within 6 months of the completion of the works which describes the work, any impacts/damage and corrective works carried out.	
All construction contractors, subcontractors and personnel are to be inducted and informed by the nominated archaeological consultant prior to commencing work on site as to their obligations and requirements in relation to historical archaeological sites and 'relics' in accordance with guidelines issued by the Heritage Council of NSW.	DHL construction contractor, Lend Lease has significant experience in working on projects where significant archaeological sites and relics are located. This includes the adjacent site at Darling Quarter. The induction process for all people entering site will include a component relating to heritage in accordance with the relevant guidelines. This is a matter appropriately dealt with via condition of consent.
More detailed research and other investigations are to be undertaken for each identified heritage item or areas with archaeological fabric or deposits of heritage significance which would be negatively affected by the proposal, to address specific impacts arising from more detailed design development and to provide mitigation and management measures for those impacts.	In accordance with the Statement of Heritage Impact prepared by TKD Architects, and advice contained in the Heritage Branch submission to Department of Planning and Infrastructure, there will be no impacts on heritage items as a result of the works. Detailed investigations will be undertaken during the excavation phase in regards to archaeological remains on site (refer below). This is a matter appropriately dealt with via condition of consent.
All affected historical archaeological 'relics' and/or deposits of Local and State significance are to be subject to professional archaeological excavation and/or recording before construction works commence which will impact those 'relics'. A Research Design including an Archaeological Excavation Methodology must be prepared in accordance with Heritage Council guidelines. Those documents should be prepared for the approval of the Director-General, Department of Planning & Infrastructure upon receipt of advice from the Heritage Branch of the Office of Environment & Heritage (as the staff for the Heritage Council of NSW).	DHL will prepare protocols to be followed during excavation and piling works which are to be included in the Research Design and Excavation Methodology report. The report will be prepared in accordance with the Heritage Council guidelines and submitted to the Director General prior to the commencement of construction works. This is a matter appropriately dealt with via condition of consent.
After any archaeological works have been undertaken, a copy of the final excavation report(s) shall be prepared and lodged with the Heritage Council of NSW, the City of Sydney and the Department of Planning & Infrastructure. The proponent shall also be required to nominate a	It is noted that there is no basement excavation contemplated for the project, however DHL commit to the provision of a final excavation report/s. This is a matter appropriately dealt with via condition of consent.

repository for the relics salvaged from any historical archaeological excavations.	All archaeological remains will remain the property of SHFA.
The information within the final excavation report shall be required to include the following:	DHL will ensure that this information is included within the final excavation report(s). This is a matter appropriately dealt with via condition of consent.
a). An executive summary of the archaeological programme;	
b). Due credit to the client paying for the excavation, on the title page;	
c). An accurate site location and site plan (with scale and north arrow);	
d). Historical research, references, and bibliography;	
e). Detailed information on the excavation including the aim, the context for the excavation, procedures, treatment of artefacts (cleaning, conserving, sorting, cataloguing, labelling, scale photographs and/or drawings, location of repository) and analysis of the information retrieved;	
f). Nominated repository for the items;	
g). Detailed response to research questions (at minimum those stated in the Department of Planning & Infrastructure approved Research Design);	
h). Conclusions from the archaeological programme. This information must include a reassessment of the site's heritage significance, statement(s) on how archaeological investigations at this site have contributed to the community's understanding of the Site and other comparative Site Types and recommendations for the future management of the site; and	
i). Details of how this information about the excavations have been	

publicly disseminated (for example, include copies of press releases,	
public brochures and information signs produced to explain the	
archaeological significance of the sites).	
The results of the archaeological fieldwork, the history of the site and other should be used to inform an Interpretation Plan to guide the future incorporation of the findings from the works in communicating the	As noted above, DHL is committed to preparing a precinct-wide Interpretation Plan in accordance with the Heritage Council's Guidelines. The Interpretation Plan will be submitted to the Director General prior to the issue of a Construction Certificate for the public domain works. It is
significance of the Darling Harbour SICEEP Precinct to future visitors. The Interpretation Plan should be prepared in accordance with the	recommended that the requirement for preparation of a precinct-wide Interpretation Plan be imposed by condition of consent.
Guidelines issued by the Heritage Council of NSW. The Interpretation	
Plan should be prepared for the approval of the Director-General,	
Department of Planning & Infrastructure upon receipt of advice from the	
Heritage Branch of the Office of Environment & Heritage (as the staff for	
the Heritage Council of NSW).	