

# Minutes

Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting

Camden Council

Administration Centre

70 Central Avenue, Oran Park

13 April 2023



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**PRESENT**

Councillor Campbell (Chairperson), Dr Ian Willis, Ms Laura Jane Aulsebrook and Ms Rebecka Stapleton.

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE**

Director Planning and Environment (Nicole M), Manager Strategic Planning (Josh P), Acting Manager Public Affairs (Kristy F), Team Leader Heritage, Precincts and Rural (Heath J), Executive Planner (Clare A) and Governance Officer – Panel & Committees (Olivia S).

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

Councillor Campbell gave an Acknowledgement of Country.

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest noted.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Moved by Ms Laura Jane Aulsebrook and seconded by Dr Ian Willis.

That the Committee note the following apologies for the meeting:

Councillor Cagney  
Aunty Glenda Chalker  
Ms Olivia Allen  
Ms Leanne Ramsey

**Note:** In the absence of a quorum, the meeting was conducted informally in accordance with the Terms of Reference.

The Chairperson, Councillor Campbell, extended a welcome to Rebecka Stapleton who has been appointed as an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community Representative to the Heritage Advisory Committee.

The Chairperson, Councillor Campbell also extended a welcome to Mr David Buckley, who is the Chairperson of the Camden Town Farm Reference Group.

**SITE INSPECTIONS OF HERITAGE ITEMS**

The Director Planning and Environment advised that the owners of Maryland Homestead have agreed to allow Committee Members to undertake a site inspection. The Director Planning and Environment advised that she is meeting with Trevor Jensen and will provide potential dates to the Committee in due course.

The Director Planning and Environment advised that site inspections of Oran Park House can occur on any dates that suit Committee Members. The Director Planning and Environment advised she would circulate dates for Committee Members to agree on.

**HAC01 Confirmation of Minutes - 9 February 2023****RECOMMENDED**

That the Heritage Advisory Committee adopt and confirm the Minutes of the Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting held on 9 February 2023, copies of which are attached and have been circulated.

**Discussion/Action Items:**

Nil.

**HAC02 Unlock Camden 2023 - Draft Event Brief****RECOMMENDED**

That the Heritage Advisory Committee note the information in the report and provide comment where required.

**Discussion/Action Items:**

The Acting Manager Public Affairs provided an overview of the Draft Event Brief for Unlock Camden 2023.

Councillor Campbell noted that this should include the Bicentennial Equestrian Park.

Mr David Buckley advised that he would like the walking tour to also include Edward Street. Councillor Campbell advised that the Committee would take note of this suggestion, however the focus of the event was John Street in its entirety.

Ms Laura Jane Aulsebrook advised that she liked the idea of themed tours i.e. an agricultural tour, a historical tour, and a family friendly tour.

Ms Laura Jane Aulsebrook and Ms Rebecka Stapleton advised that their preferred date for the event is 2 September 2023.

**HAC03 Camden Material and Colour Guide - Update****RECOMMENDED**

That the Heritage Advisory Committee note the information in the report and provide comment, where required.

**Discussion/Action Items:**

The Team Leader Heritage, Precincts and Rural gave an overview of the Guide and how the document addressed previous concerns raised by the Committee.

The Committee members present confirmed they are generally comfortable with the Guide but, in the absence of a quorum, will defer finalisation of the Guide until the next meeting. Committee members may review and provide any further feedback on the Guide in the meantime.

**HAC04 Forward Meeting Plan - 2023/2024****RECOMMENDED**

That the Heritage Advisory Committee draft and endorse a forward meeting plan for the 2023/2024 financial year.

**Discussion/Action Items:**

The Committee members present confirmed they would like to continue with the bi-monthly meeting schedule.

**HAC05 Heritage Affected Development Application Listing - 1 February to 1 April 2023****RECOMMENDED**

That the Heritage Advisory Committee note the information provided.

**Discussion/Action Item:**

The Committee enquired about 35 Menangle Road, Camden and the Executive Strategic Planner confirmed that the Assessing Officer of the Development Application has requested proposed changes to the proposal but no response has been obtained.

The Committee enquired about 33 Luker Street, Elderslie and the Executive Strategic Planner confirmed the extension to the church has been sought as it is being occupied as a house. The proposal is predominantly behind the church as to not dominate the streetscape.

Ms Rebecka Stapleton enquired about the wording "Aboriginal Archaeology". The Team Leader Heritage, Precincts and Rural advised it is used as guide to provide context as to its reason for heritage referral.

**HAC06 Action Register - April 2023****RECOMMENDED**

That the Heritage Advisory Committee note the status of the action register for April 2023.

**Discussion/Action Item:**

Nil.

**HAC07 Verbal Update - Camden Heritage Review**

This item was deferred to the next meeting.

Mr David Buckley was invited to speak to the Committee and raised the following matters:

- Stabilisation of the river at the Camden Town Farm has commenced. This section of the river has been heavily impacted by the floods.
- Regarding Edward Street, agricultural businesses are very flood affected. On the eastern side, not much mitigation has occurred and on the western side a bigger attempt has been made to avoid flood waters.
- Mr David Buckley is of the opinion that Edward Street should be a part of Unlock Camden as it is the transition street into the main streets of Camden and advised he would be happy to be involved in the walking tour.

**General Business:**

- Ms Laura Jane Aulsebrook enquired about what is happening with the bank buildings in Camden now that they are empty, and enquired whether the community could utilise these significant buildings. Councillor Campbell advised that these buildings are not owned by Council.
- Ms Laura Jane Aulsebrook enquired whether Council planned to hold any event for the Coronation of King Charles III. The Acting Manager Public Affairs advised that this will be highlighted through Council's Citizenship Ceremony however, with regard to a specific event, she would need to take this on notice and provide an update in due course.


Ms Laura Jane Aulsebrook suggested a possible screening at the Camden Civic Centre and the Acting Manager Public Affairs advised that she would need to review the budget allocation and provide an update.

Councillor Campbell noted that perhaps St John's Camden may be having an event given they had a service for Her Majesty's passing.

**MEETING CLOSED AT 7:40pm.**

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