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Advice referred via email

Dear Andrew

Advice on Modification Application – State Significant Development – MP06_0162 MOD 9 Barangaroo Concept Plan Approval

Thank you for your referral dated 12 July 2022, inviting comment from Heritage NSW (HNSW) on the Modification Application for the above State Significant Development (SSD) proposal.

In preparing the below advice, HNSW has reviewed the following documentation:

- *Environmental Assessment Report (EAR), Central Barangaroo, Concept Plan MP06_0162 Modification 9*, dated December 2021, prepared by Urbis
- *Central Barangaroo Modification 9 Application, Heritage Assessment and Impact Statement (HAIS)*, Appendix S in the EAR, dated November 2021, prepared by GML
- *Director-General's Requirements for Barangaroo Concept Plan (MP06_0162)*, issued 15 April 2014

HNSW notes that the potential impacts of the development on the Aboriginal archaeological values have been examined across the Central Barangaroo Concept Plan project area (GML 2012; 2021). As advised in the HAIS, a search of the AHIMS register indicates that there are no registered AHIMS sites located within the area defined by the project area and those sites situated outside of the application area but within the immediate vicinity have been heavily impacted and/or destroyed by adjacent historical development.

HNSW acknowledges the highly disturbed nature of the proposal area and based on the information presented in the HAIS, supports the assessment of low to nil archaeological potential for Aboriginal cultural deposits to be located within the project area.

HNSW understands that consultation with key stakeholders has commenced, with further community and stakeholder consultation to be undertaken during the post-lodgment phase of the project. To align with the statements made in Section 6 of the EAR - Community and Stakeholder Engagement, HNSW recommends that consultation with the Aboriginal community be undertaken in accordance with the *Aboriginal cultural heritage consultation requirements for proponents 2010* (Consultation Requirements) (DECCW

2010) to ensure the cultural values of the Aboriginal community are appropriately considered prior to finalisation of the concept plan and preparation of Stage 2 Development Applications for the project.

The Consultation Requirements outline a clear process (Stages 1 - 4) that ensures relevant Aboriginal cultural knowledge holders have an opportunity to be consulted with respect to a proposed project, and to provide relevant information about cultural significance and values. HNSW guidelines indicate that the findings from an archaeological assessment should be integrated with the findings from the assessment of Aboriginal heritage to support the conclusions and management recommendations for the project.

HNSW recommends that further assessment be undertaken, in consultation with relevant Aboriginal parties, to document the significance of cultural heritage values for Aboriginal people who have a cultural association with the land and augment the current Aboriginal archaeological investigations as documented in the HAIS to adequately capture the information required to inform the concept plan project area.

Please contact Rebecca Yit, Archaeologist at Heritage NSW, on 4927 3244 or rebecca.yit@environment.nsw.gov.au if you have any questions regarding this advice.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nicole Davis". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped 'N' and 'D'.

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