

# MINUTES

## WOLLONGONG HERITAGE REFERENCE GROUP

5.15PM ON THURSDAY 20 OCTOBER 2022



<b>PRESENT</b>	
Rod Logan	Aara Welz
Meredith Hutton	Nicholas Gill
Sandra Pires	David Bottin
Cr Ann Martin	Fiona Reynolds

<b>IN ATTENDANCE</b>	
David Green – Land Use Planning Manager WCC	Chris Stewart – Manager City Strategy WCC
Joel Thompson – Coordinator Heritage WCC	Hillary Powell – Local Studies Library Manager WCC
Carly Boag – Heritage Officer WCC	Sofia Gibson – City Culture and Activation Manager WCC

### 1 **WELCOME**

The Chairperson opened the meeting at 5:25pm and welcomed all present.

### 2 **APOLOGIES**

Linda Davis.

### 3 **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

The Chair provided an Acknowledgement of Country and welcomed all Aboriginal people present. Membership viewed a Wollongong Council video production, Dharawal Country – People Places and Stories.

<https://youtu.be/t1OVlt3-jg>

### 4 **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

Nil declarations of interest.

### 5 **MEMBER INTRODUCTIONS**

Membership each provided a brief introduction and identified their goals for being part of the Heritage Reference Group.

### 6 **RECOGNITION OF PREVIOUS MEMBERSHIP**

The Membership request that the Lord Mayor writes letter of thanks to each former Reference Group Members including Doug Boleyn Martin Gorrick, Lorraine Neate, Sharralyn Robinson, Georgina Element for their years of service and commitment to the conservation of Wollongong's Heritage.

*Moved by Cr Martin and seconded by Meredith Hutton*

## 7 MINUTES OF MEETING

The Reference Group recommend that ***the Minutes of the Meeting held on the 21 October 2021 are noted and confirmed by previous members subject to update of Steelworks Centenary date – 2028 rather than 2018.***

Moved by Fiona Reynolds and second by Meredith Hutton

## 8 REFERENCE GROUP PRIORITIES

Wollongong Heritage Strategy 2019-2022 requires updating for the next period of time, this is a key priority of the Group as identified in the Charter.

The Strategy sets out priority list and actions identified by the Group, as well as day to day management of Heritage by Council and aspirational actions. Scheduled to report the Strategy to a Council Meeting in early 2023 to commence public exhibition.

The Wollongong Heritage Strategy to be circulated to Membership prior to the December meeting as an Agenda item.

Cr Martin suggested that increasing the Strategy to a 5 year period in line with the Councillor Election cycle for the Group to consider.

David Green also noted that the Heritage Reference Group does not consider Development Applications.

## 9 HERITAGE STAFF REPORT AND TRAINING

Joel Thompson delivered a presentation on Council's Heritage work to the Membership.

*David Bottin left the meeting at 7.06pm.*

## 10 OTHER MATTERS

Nil.

***Councillor Martin closed the meeting at 7.30pm***

## ACTION SUMMARY

Item	Action	Who	Status
1	Circulate Wollongong Heritage Strategy 2019-2022 – See link <a href="https://wollongong.nsw.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0016/47104/Wollongong-Heritage-Strategy-2019-2022.PDF">https://wollongong.nsw.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0016/47104/Wollongong-Heritage-Strategy-2019-2022.PDF</a>	Heritage Staff	Complete
2	Circulate Thirroul Plaza Judgement – See link <a href="https://www.caselaw.nsw.gov.au/decision/183e43c2b28478c0a8b95730">https://www.caselaw.nsw.gov.au/decision/183e43c2b28478c0a8b95730</a>	Heritage Staff	Complete

3	<b>Recognition of previous membership</b> Letter of thanks from the Lord mayor be sent to former Reference Group Members including Doug Boleyn Martin Gorrick, Lorraine Neate, Sharralyn Robinson, Georgina Element for their years of service and commitment to the conservation of Wollongong's Heritage		
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