# MINUTES OF HERITAGE REFERENCE COMMITTEE HELD ON THURSDAY, 16 FEBRUARY 2023

Present: Councillor S Lennon (Deputy Chairperson) (Gordon Ward)

Ms Lorna Watt – Ku-ring-gai Historical Society Mr Michael Gunn – Australian Institute of Architects

Ms Zeny Edwards - Local Historian and Community Member

Mr Chris Bluett- Community Member

Staff Present: Manager Urban & Heritage Planning (Antony Fabbro)

Team Leader Urban Planning (Craige Wyse) Heritage Specialist Planner (Claudine Loffi)

Others Present: Councillor J Pettett - Ku-ring-gai Council

Councillor A Taylor- Ku-ring-gai Council

Apologies: Councillor K Wheatley (Chairperson) (Wahroonga Ward)

Mr Robert Moore – National Trust

Invited speaker: Elizabeth Evatt (owner of No. 57 Finlay Road, Warrawee)

The Meeting commenced at 12:00 PM

## **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No interest was declared.

#### MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

#### **NOTING OF MINUTES**

# **Minutes of Heritage Reference Committee**

File: CY00413/10

Meeting held 27 October 2022

Minutes numbered –Minutes not uploaded. Enter starting minute number here—to –Enter ending minute number here—

Minutes previously circulated and adopted by email were noted.

One correction is noted that the owner of No. 57 Finlay Road, Warrawee, was not present at the September AIA inspection. The minutes on this matter should have referred to the owners of No. 51 Finlay Road, Warrawee, who attended the inspection.

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

## 51-57 Finlay Road, Warrawee, AIA recommendation review

File: CY00069/15 Vide: GB.1

The Committee noted that owners of No. 51 and No. 57 Finlay Road, Warrawee, were invited to address the committee, and that the owners of No. 51 did not accept the invitation

Elizabeth Evatt, owner of No. 57, accepted the invitation and addressed the committee. Mrs Evatt supports retaining the listing curtilage. Mrs Evatt discussed the importance of the architect, Rickard, the landscape, the house design inviting the outside in, photos and some history of the site. Mrs Evatt invited the committee to inspect the house. The committee invited Mrs Evatt to provide any further records of the site design or history.

The Committee discussed the background to this matter, the features of No. 51 and No. 57, the history and conservation of the property, and the options for owners to seek further review outlined in the report.

#### **RESOLVED**

The Committee supported the report recommendation to accept the AIA advice to retain the listing curtilage for 51 and 57 Finlay Road, Warrawee, with a completed inventory and minor future updates to the schedule 5 description.

# **Headfort House listing update**

File: S13801 *Vide: GB.2* 

The Committee discussed the background and history of this completed listing and the site.

#### **RESOLVED**

The Committee receive and noted this report and supports investigating a media release.

## Heritage Home Grants overview presentation

File: S11080 *Vide: GB.3* 

The Committee noted the completed grants and collected graphic material. One slide required further clarification. The Committee discussed options for further outreach to the community about grants.

#### RECOMMENDATION

The Committee received and noted the report.

# **NSW Heritage Act 1977**

File: S10066 *Vide: C.1* 

The Committee discussed this matter.

In accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993* and the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2021*, in the opinion of the General Manager, the following business is of a kind as referred to in section 10A(2)(e), of the Act, and should be dealt with in a part of the meeting closed to the public.

Section 10A(2)(e) of the Act permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to information that would, if disclosed prejudice the maintenance of law.

This matter is classified confidential under section 10A(2)(e) because it

It is not in the public interest to release this information as it would prejudice the maintenance of law.

Report by Manager Urban & Heritage Planning dated 9 February 2023

## **RESOLVED**

That the Heritage Reference Committee recommends that Council request the Minister for Heritage to make an interim heritage order under section 24 of the Heritage Act 1977 for the property which is the subject of this report.

#### OTHER BUSINESS

The next meeting dates will be circulated following this meeting.

The Meeting closed at 1:15 PM