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Venue:	Room 2, Level 5, Civic Centre, 1 Devlin Street, Ryde	
Date:	Wednesday, 18 February 2015	
Time:	6.00pm	Started at: 6.00pm Closed at: 7.25pm
Chair:	Councillor Terry Perram	
Meeting Support (MS):	Amanda Janvrin	
Staff Convenor:	Lexie Macdonald, Team Leader – Strategic Planning	
Circulation:	Draft Minutes circulated to Staff Convenor (Lexie Macdonald) on 19 February 2015	

Committee Role:

The primary role of the Heritage Advisory Committee is to provide advice to Council about the preservation and enhancement of items and places within the City of Ryde that are of natural, indigenous, cultural, social, aesthetic or historic significance.

Committee Members as per the Terms of Reference

Present	Apology	Name	Position Title	Organisation
✓		Councillor T Perram	Chairperson	City of Ryde
		Councillor D Pendleton	Delegate	City Of Ryde
	✓	Ms Eleanor Chaine	Community Representative	Putney Progress Association
✓		Ms Jennie Minifie	Community Representative	Ryde Community Alliance
✓		Lyn Langtry	Community Representative	Ryde-Hunters Hill Flora & Fauna Preservation Society
		Peter Colthorpe	Community Representative	
	✓	Mrs Betty Willis	Community Representative	Ryde District Historical Society
✓		Dr Peter Mitchell	Community Representative	
✓		Ms Suzanne Marks	Community Representative	
✓		Ms Beth Kosnik	Community Representative	
	✓	Mr Gregory Blaxell	Community Representative	
	✓	Ms Cate Fisher	Community Representative	
	✓	John Hull	Community Representative	
		Jim Vaughan	Community Representative	Brush Farm Historical Society
	✓	Jane Stott	Community Representative	

Additional Attendees

Name	Position Title	Organisation
Angela Phippen	Ryde Local Studies Librarian	City of Ryde
Meryl Bishop	Service Unit Manager – Urban Planning	City of Ryde
Lexie Macdonald	Team Leader – Strategic Planning	City of Ryde
Michael Edwards	Heritage Advisor	City of Ryde
Amanda Janvrin	Section Manager - Governance	City of Ryde
Dominic Johnson - apology	Group Manager – Environment and Planning	City of Ryde
David Watts - apology		Aboriginal Heritage Office (AHO)

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1.	<p>Present:</p> <p>Councillor Perram welcomed Michael Edwards to the Committee. Mr Edwards then gave the Committee members an outline of his background.</p>	As noted.
2.	<p>Apologies:</p>	As noted.
3.	<p>Confirmation of Heritage Advisory Committee Minutes from meeting held on 22 October 2014</p> <p>The Minutes from the meeting held on 22 October 2014 were confirmed and endorsed.</p> <p>Matters Arising</p> <p><u>Macquarie University Archaeological Museum Visit</u></p> <p>A visit to the Museum was previously arranged for November 2014, however the visit did not take place.</p> <p>Committee members advised that they were interested in attending the Museum for a visit this year.</p> <p>Ms Macdonald will ring the University to establish what time options they have available for the visit and liaise with Committee members regarding this.</p>	<p>Noted.</p> <p>Ms Macdonald to ring the University to establish available time options for the visit and liaise with Committee members accordingly.</p>
4.	<p>Ryde Town Centre Walking Trail</p> <p><u>Ryde Town Centre Heritage Walking Trail – Revised Brochure</u></p> <p>Ms Bishop handed out some copies of the revised brochure for the Committee’s review. Ms Macdonald advised that unfortunately the brochure is not yet finished as it still requires some editing as it is too long.</p> <p><u>Brochure guidelines for Heritage Advisory Committee comment</u></p> <p>Ms Macdonald distributed some Guidelines for the 2015 Ryde Heritage Walking Trail Brochure. These Guidelines included the following:-</p> <p>1. Selecting the walking trail / area</p> <p>The walking trail area should have:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A concentration of heritage items (listed on Ryde Local Environmental Plan Schedule 5 – Heritage Items) • Interesting places (such as public art) • Potential to illustrate local history and/or create educational opportunities (eg. bush tucker, Aboriginal heritage) • Easy access <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ as far as possible access for all ○ well defined footpath, or bike path ○ safe road crossing points ○ public transport ○ parking available 	<p>Noted.</p> <p>Noted.</p>

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<p>5. Update from the Aboriginal Heritage Office (AHO)</p> <p>No update was provided by David Watts as he is an apology for this meeting.</p> <p>Ms Bishop advised Committee members that the current agreement with the AHO concludes at the end of March 2015, however Council resolved in August 2014 to renew the agreement with the AHO and also allocated funds accordingly. Ms Bishop confirmed that the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the AHO still needs to be signed.</p>	Noted.
<p>6. Update on matters raised by Heritage Advisory Committee –</p> <p><u>Sourcing of grape vine for Brush Farm – options to proceed</u></p> <p>Mr Edwards advised that sourcing this particular grape “Constantia” variety is proving to be extremely difficult. Mr Edwards confirmed that he has done a huge amount of research and contacted various organisations including the Botanic Gardens and the CSIRO Plant Division but with no success.</p> <p>Mr Edwards advised that Mr Blaxell has suggested an alternate grape called Brown Muscat which is closely related to the Brush Farm grape.</p> <p>Mr Edwards advised that if the Committee is happy to go ahead with the Brown Muscat variety, they can either be sourced from a nursery or Mr Blaxell has offered to propagate a cutting as he has this grape on his property.</p> <p>Ms Bishop advised that staff will liaise with Council’s landscape team and maybe we may do a combination of both sourcing the grape from a nursery and a cutting from Mr Blaxell.</p> <p>Mr Edwards advised that the plan is to plant the grape along the fence of the driveway at Brush Farm and that Council staff will consult with the Brush Farm Historical Society in relation to this.</p> <p>The Committee endorsed to proceed with the Brown Muscat grape and also thanked Mr Edwards for all his work.</p>	Committee agreed to proceed with the Brown Muscat grape.
<p>7. Update on Planning Matters</p> <p><u>20 Waterview Street Putney</u></p> <p>Ms Macdonald provided the following update with respect to 20 Waterview Street, Putney:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council determined that the planning proposal should not proceed. • The proponent lodged a Gateway determination with the Department in which the determination was received on 15 December 2014. • The Gateway will permit exhibition subject to conditions. • Council declined to be the Regulatory Planning Authority (RPA). • The JRPP has been appointed to be the Regulatory Planning Authority (RPA). • The Gateway required the following:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Heritage studies to be reworked ○ Council to be consulted regarding new heritage study prior to exhibition ○ Have not heard anything new on the Planning Proposal • RMS have the Development Application for demolition of the jetty - Council made a submission - Heritage study needed to address the jetty and determine its significance. 	Noted.

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<p><u>DCP Heritage Conservation Controls</u></p> <p>Ms Bishop advised that this is a work in progress and provided the following update with respect to the DCP Heritage Conservation Controls:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In August 2014, Council resolved to undertake a review of Ryde DCP with an aim to reducing the length, improving clarity etc. • Existing controls – character areas and conservation areas are being reviewed as part of the Residential controls review. 	<p>Noted.</p>
<p>8. Report from Community Representatives</p> <p><u>Bennelong Grave Site</u></p> <p>Ms Minifie requested an update with respect to Bennelong's Grave Site in planning documentation.</p> <p>Ms Macdonald advised that Council resolved some time ago to list Bennelong's potential grave site on Schedule 5 and at that stage LEP 2014 was called LEP 2011.</p> <p>Ms Macdonald advised that this has been dealt with as part of the amendment to LEP 2014 which has been exhibited and adopted by Council and is now in the department for notification.</p> <p>Ms Macdonald advised that it will appear in our schedule 5 and it is also on the Aboriginal Heritage Office listing.</p> <p><u>Ryde-Hunters Hill Flora and Fauna Preservation Society – Talk</u></p> <p>Ms Langtry advised that the Society has arranged a talk on 'Living Landscapes Under Threat' to be given on 7 March 2015 from 9.00am to 10.00am at the Visitors Centre. The talk centres around the importance of native species and anyone is welcome to attend.</p> <p><u>Ryde-Hunters Hill Flora and Fauna Preservation Society – AGM</u></p> <p>Ms Langtry advised that the Society's Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held on 21 March 2015 at 2.00pm at the Visitor's Centre.</p> <p><u>Ryde-Hunters Hill Flora and Fauna Preservation Society – Ausgrid proposal</u></p> <p>Ms Langtry advised that a current proposal by Ausgrid for the replacement of electrical cables, poses a threat on the bushland and aesthetic qualities of the Field of Mars Reserve, with the preferred option of Ausgrid to run the replacement electrical cables overhead through the Field of Mars Reserve. Councillor Perram further elaborated on the matter. The RHHFFP Society are concerned about the proposal and intend to continue making representations.</p> <p><u>Insignias to be placed on the Cenotaph at North Ryde RSL</u></p> <p>Ms Langtry suggested that the Committee send a letter of thanks to Len Schultz for his involvement in assisting with the identification of a new location for the display of the insignias at North Ryde RSL and sought the Committee's support for this suggestion.</p> <p>The Committee supported the suggestion and both Ms Macdonald and Ms Langtry will follow-up regarding the insignia on the monument.</p> <p><u>Centenary of ANZAC Grant Funding Application</u></p> <p>Ms Langtry requested an update with respect to the City of Ryde's application for grant funding for the Centenary of ANZAC in order to work with the Ryde District</p>	<p>Noted.</p> <p>Noted.</p> <p>Noted.</p> <p>Noted.</p> <p>Noted.</p> <p>Noted.</p> <p>The Committee endorsed its support for a letter of thanks to be sent to Len Schultz.</p> <p>Ms Macdonald and Ms Langtry to follow up regarding the insignia on the monument.</p> <p>Noted.</p>

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<p>Historical Society to provide information on a website.</p> <p>Ms Phippen advised that she was of the understanding that about \$45,000 would be allocated but no formal written notification has yet been received.</p> <p><u>Schoolhouse Museum</u></p> <p>Ms Langtry advised that Ms Edna Wilde is the Chair of the Schoolhouse Museum and on 9 March 2015 the first group of children from North Ryde Public School will be undertaking a program called 'At School At War'. Ms Langtry confirmed that there are bookings for the program from schools all through the year. Ms Langtry will attend the program and provide a report back to the Committee.</p> <p><u>Ryde Citizen of the Year Award</u></p> <p>The Committee congratulated Dr Peter Mitchell on his Ryde Citizen of the Year Award.</p>	<p>Noted – Ms Langtry will attend the Schoolhouse Museum program and provide a report back to the Committee.</p> <p>Noted.</p>
<p>9. General Discussion / Other Business</p> <p><u>Fit for the Future</u></p> <p>Councillor Perram advised that last night, Council held an Extraordinary Council Meeting to focus on Council's response to the Governments 'Fit for the Future' proposal.</p> <p>Councillor Perram advised that Council has until 30 June 2015 to lodge its submission in response to the proposal, following which the Government will review and deliberate and make a decision by October 2015.</p> <p>Councillor Perram confirmed that there are two parts to the template with the first template relating to scale and capacity (250,000 residents) and the second template addressing financial sustainability.</p> <p>Councillor Perram advised that the Independent Panel recommended that the City of Ryde Council be split into two where 1/3 of Ryde is intended to go with Parramatta, Holroyd and Auburn and the rest of Ryde with Hunters Hill, North Sydney, Willoughby and Lane Cove etc.</p> <p>Councillor Perram and at the Extraordinary Council Meeting, Council unanimously recommended the following:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That the City of Ryde reaffirms its rejection to the Independent Panel's proposal to split Ryde and amalgamate with Councils to the west and the north. • That Council investigate/explore a modified Joint Organisation (regional body) proposal to meet the Government's scale and capacity criteria. • That Council prepare a business case. • That Council join with the Northern Councils to distribute an engagement strategy with the Community. • That the City of Ryde immediately engage with the residents of Ryde. 	<p>Noted.</p>
<p>10. Next Meeting:</p> <p>Wednesday, 15 April 2015</p>	<p>Noted.</p>