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Venue:	Meeting Room, Level 1A, 1 Pope Street, Ryde	
Date:	Wednesday, 21 st June 2017	
Time:	6.00pm	Started at: 6.00pm Closed at: 8.15pm
Chair:	Councillor Jane Stott	
Meeting Support (MS):	Linda Smith – EA to the Mayor and Councillors	
Staff Convenor:	Lexie Macdonald, Senior Coordinator – Strategic Planning	
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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 Jane Stott	Chairperson	City of Ryde
	✓	Councillor Denise Pendleton	Delegate	City of Ryde
	✓	Councillor Terry Perram	Delegate	City of Ryde
✓		Ms Lyn Langtry	Community Representative	Ryde-Hunters Hill Flora and Fauna Preservation Society
✓		Mrs Betty Willis	Community Representative	Ryde District Historical Society
✓		Kim Phillips	Community Representative	Ryde District Historical Society
✓		Dr Peter Mitchell	Community Representative	
✓		Ms Suzanne Marks	Community Representative	
✓		Ms Beth Kosnik	Community Representative	
		Ms Cate Fisher	Community Representative	
✓		Mr John Hull	Community Representative	

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✓		Dyalan Govender	Manager – City Planning	City of Ryde
	✓	Lexie Macdonald	Senior Coordinator – Strategic Planner	City of Ryde
✓		Michael Edwards	Heritage Advisor	City of Ryde
✓		Angela Phippen	Information Systems Librarian Local Studies	City of Ryde
✓		Linda Smith	EA to the Mayor and Councillors	City of Ryde

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1.	Present	As noted.
2.	Apologies	As noted.
3.	Confirmation of Heritage Advisory Committee Minutes from meeting held on 19th April 2017	

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<p>The Minutes from the meeting held on 19th April 2017 were confirmed.</p>	<p>Noted.</p>
<p>4. Heritage Walking Trail</p> <p><u>Progress Update: Gladesville Heritage Walking Trail</u></p> <p>Michael advised that the final content for the Gladesville Walking Trail will be forwarded to the Communications team very soon.</p> <p>It was noted that a recent walk around Gladesville guided by an ex librarian was fully booked.</p> <p>The Committee discussed ideas for future tours and agreed that both West Ryde and Meadowbank would be interesting areas to examine. Michael advised that it is necessary to be mindful of safety with the walking trails and to try avoid high concentration along major roads such as Victoria Road.</p> <p>It was suggested by the committee that future tours could be based on information about alignment/boundary markers, East Ryde or the Field of Mars.</p> <p>Future tours may be more reliant on apps etc rather than the written word.</p> <p>Committee members are asked to contact Michael with any ideas.</p>	<p>The information regarding the Gladesville Heritage Walking Trail was noted.</p> <p>Committee members encouraged to contact Michael with suggestions for future Heritage Trail locations.</p>
<p>5. Ryde Local Heritage Assistance Fund – 2016-2017</p> <p>Michael advised that he was still collating information to present to the Committee regarding expanding the eligibility within the Ryde Local Heritage Assistance Fund to include community groups and churches.</p> <p>It was noted that due to the upcoming local government elections, this committee may not meet again until after the September elections.</p> <p>With regard to the current round of funding, Michael advised that reminder letters have been forwarded to relevant property owners and that some interest has been generated.</p> <p>The committee then considered three eligible applications for funding.</p> <p><u>22 Miriam Road Denistone</u></p> <p>The restoration of a leadlight window at the front of the house was undertaken. It was repaired in situ with matching glass found to replace the damaged and missing original material. 6 to 7 panes were replaced at a cost of \$522.50. Having assessed the application against the evaluation criteria, it was recommended that the grant application be approved and funding be provided to the full amount of \$522.50.</p> <p><u>30 Miriam Road Denistone</u></p> <p>Repair to the ridge capping and repointing of the roof was undertaken. A pest inspection was also undertaken and fans installed to the sub floor area. Under the eligibility criteria, only the repair to the ridge capping and repointing can be considered. The total cost of eligible works (ie ridge capping and repointing) was \$1749. Having assessed the application against the evaluation criteria, it was recommended that the grant application be approved and funding be provided to 75% of the value of the roof repointing. Therefore it is recommended that the applicant be reimbursed \$1300.</p>	<p>A decision on eligibility of community groups and churches to be advised at the August meeting of this Committee.</p> <p>Michael to forward advice via email as to whether the August meeting of the committee will proceed due to upcoming local government elections.</p> <p>The Committee agreed that the grant application be supported for 22 Miriam Road Denistone and funding be provided to the sum of \$522.50.</p> <p>The Committee agreed that the grant application be supported for 30 Miriam Road Denistone and funding be provided to the sum of \$1300.</p>

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<p><u>60 Wicks Road North Ryde</u></p> <p>The owner of this property has previously received funding from the Ryde Local Heritage Assistance Fund in the sum of \$2000.00 to effect repairs due to rising damp.</p> <p>A new application has been received following the repainting of the house and work to the side windows.</p> <p>Some of the works listed do not meet the eligibility criteria. The applicant has sought \$5000.00 It is considered that only the painting of the house meets the criteria for funding as the side windows were not original windows. Having assessed the application against the evaluation criteria, it was recommended that the grant application be approved and funding be provided to 40% of the value of the repainting. Therefore it is recommended that the applicant be reimbursed \$1500.</p>	<p>The Committee agreed that the grant application be supported for 60 Wicks Road North Ryde and that funding be provided to the sum of \$1500.</p>
<p>7. Matters of Interest</p> <p><u>Upcoming milestone anniversaries</u></p> <p>Sesquicentenary of Ryde</p> <p>Angela Phippen advised that if Ryde does not amalgamate, the year 2020 will mark its sesquicentenary.</p> <p>She alerted the Committee to this upcoming date so that consideration can be given to possible ways to mark this important milestone.</p> <p>200th anniversary of Brush Farm House</p> <p>Angela also noted that 2019 will mark the 200th anniversary of Brush Farm House.</p> <p>Given that commemorations for the Centenary of ANZAC will conclude in 2018 it may be appropriate that consideration be given to heritage promotions/festivals etc to recognise the above events after that date.</p> <p>It was noted that in 1992 the Centenary of the first land grants in Ryde was celebrated widely. The Eisteddfod recognised the event and re-enactments were held.</p> <p>The interest shown in the recent refurbishment of the Gladesville Clock Tower indicates that people are keen to recognise the area’s historical past.</p> <p>It was noted that Gregory Blaxell has written a comprehensive history of Brush Farm House.</p>	<p>The matter is to be listed for further consideration at the next meeting of this Committee.</p>
<p>8. Report from Council</p> <p><u>Gladesville Clock Tower Restoration</u></p> <p>Michael Edwards provided a very detailed and informative presentation on the history and recent restoration of the Gladesville Clock Tower.</p> <p>He advised that he had received numerous calls from the public following the shrouding and scaffolding of the site.</p> <p>Michael noted that research has shown that at the time the clock tower was designed, consideration had been given to constructing a toilet block at the rear of the site.</p> <p>Community opposition to the suggestion meant it did not proceed.</p>	<p>John Booth to be approached for any information he may hold or be able to obtain on the 1969 renovation.</p> <p>Consideration to be given to conducting an official opening of the restored tower with suitable publicity.</p> <p>Consideration to be given to the</p>

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<p>Michael advised that when restoration commenced, it became obvious that the tower was beginning to crack and tilt. This has since been rectified.</p> <p>The top of the tower was deconstructed in 1969 and was never completed as originally designed.</p> <p>The original design has now been constructed as part of the restoration with the top three courses of bricks installed.</p> <p>It was noted that in the ten years prior to the 1969 deconstruction, that the clock in the tower had not worked.</p> <p>The internal access to the tower will be replaced and significantly improved.</p> <p>It was suggested that an official opening be arranged to mark the unveiling of the reconditioned tower. Suitable media and on site coverage could be arranged.</p> <p>It was suggested that consideration be given to providing a plaque or similar to chronicle the history of the site.</p> <p>It was noted that the clock faces are perspex. It was suggested that this material was first used in the 2010 restoration of the clock faces.</p>	<p>erection of a plaque or similar to note the history of the clock tower.</p> <p>Lyn to try to arrange publicity in the SMH Column 8.</p> <p>Michael Edwards to be congratulated for his efforts in researching and overseeing the restoration works.</p>
<p>8. Report from Community Representatives</p> <p><u>Mrs Betty Willis - Ryde District Historical Society – Visit to Carrisbrook House Lane Cove</u></p> <p>Betty updated the group on a recent visit by members of the Ryde District Historical Society to Carrisbrook House at Lane Cove.</p> <p>Betty noted the way in which the property has been furnished to appear as if someone still lives there with fully furnished bedroom, kitchen, living areas etc.</p> <p>It was noted that the grounds are well maintained and that Hunters Hill Council provides a gardener to tend to the area three days a week.</p> <p>The need for a museum in Ryde was raised. Willandra houses many items but they cannot be displayed appropriately due to lack of space.</p> <p>Betty advised the recent Open Day at Willandra had been well attended with between 200 – 300 in attendance.</p> <p>She thanked the local paper for its coverage of the event.</p> <p>The movie on Ryde, display of original wedding dress etc were all well received.</p> <p>Kim advised that she would like to see the movie on Ryde projected on an external wall for effect.</p> <p>It was suggested that the movie could be incorporated into plans for 2020 events. Perhaps a VIVID style event could be arranged.</p> <p><u>Dr Peter Mitchell - Ship Building Sites – Canada Bay Council Area</u></p> <p>Dr Peter Mitchell advised that the digital program undertaken by Canada Bay Council is still to be launched.</p> <p><u>Mrs Lyn Langtry – Ryde-Hunters Hill Flora and Fauna Preservation Society</u></p> <p>Numerous issues</p> <p>The Society is concerned about the weakening and widening of the biodiversity</p>	<p>Noted.</p> <p>Consideration to be given to projecting the movie on Ryde “then and now” at an outdoor venue.</p> <p>Consideration to be given to including the movie or perhaps a VIVID style production in any plans to commemorate Council’s sesquicentenary.</p> <p>Noted.</p>

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<p>offset scheme.</p> <p>It is felt that the scheme will not protect the areas it should.</p> <p>Developers will be able to pay into a fund which can be used in any area. The areas to be protected will not be known</p> <p>The population of Sydney will increase to 6 million and the resultant pressures on the natural environment are of concern to the Society.</p> <p>The Society applauds the NSW National Parks Association and Councils in the Parramatta River Catchment area for work on “get the site right” which aims to improve sedimentation control at building sites.</p> <p>The Society is also supporting the Number 5 for Ryde program which lists coffee cups, plastic bags, straws and water bottles as major pollutants. The program encourages people to “get it right or bin it right”</p> <p>It was noted that numerous events have been held recently, which were well attended: 7th May – Fascinating world of fungi 28th May – Edible foods tour 4th June – Open Day at Field of Mars</p> <p>On 30th July National Tree Planting Day will be held.</p> <p>The Society noted that it was pleased that the construction of a carpark on Eastwood Oval will not be proceeding.</p>	<p>Noted.</p>
<p>9. General Discussion / Other Business</p> <p><u>Willandra</u></p> <p>Works on the driveway at Willandra have recently been completed. A new base and surface have been laid.</p> <p><u>Plotting of Reference Points</u></p> <p>Fred DeBelin is currently working to plot original reference points for plans of subdivision with the original land grants in Ryde.</p> <p>The Historical Society would appreciate being involved with this project.</p> <p><u>Demolition of 10 Little Church Street</u></p> <p>Michael provided the Photographic Archival Recording on the above property which has been undertaken prior to its demolition.</p> <p>The number of houses being demolished in the local area was discussed.</p> <p>Michael advised that there has been a significant number of Development Applications received by Council recently involving the demolition of buildings that have been identified in the 2010 heritage study as having heritage significance yet were not listed by Council.</p>	<p>Noted.</p> <p>Michael to arrange contact between Ryde District Historical Society and Fred De Belin.</p>
<p>11. Next Meeting:</p> <p>Wednesday 9th August 2017.</p>	<p>Noted.</p>