

Heritage Referral Response

Application Number:	DA2025/0155
Proposed Development:	Use of premises as a take away food and drink premises including alterations and additions and signage
Date:	10/04/2025
То:	Lachlan Rose
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 1 SP 67337 , 1 / 63 - 67 The Corso MANLY NSW 2095

Officer comments

HERITAGE COMMENTS

Discussion of reason for referral

The proposal has been referred to heritage as the subject property is a heritage item, being a part of a group listed Item I106 - Group of commercial buildings - All numbers, The Corso and sits within the C2 - Manly Town Centre Conservation Area. It is also within the vicinity of a number of heritage items:

Item I110 - New Brighton Hotel - 69-71 The Corso

Item I233 - Commercial and residential building - 12 Sydney Road

Item I104 - Street trees - The Corso (from Whistler Street to Sydney Road)

Details of heritage items affected

Details of the heritage items as contained within the Manly Heritage inventory are as follows:

Item I106 - Group of commercial buildings

Statement of significance

The streetscape and its special qualities are of major significance to the state. The Corso has important historical links to the development of tourism and recreation which is still present and likely to continue. It's role as the pedestrian link between harbour and ocean, city and sea - for the tourist, is fundamental to Manly's status as a resort.

C2 - Manly Town Centre Conservation Area

Statement of significance

The Manly Town Centre Conservation Area (TCCA) is of local heritage significance as a reflection of the early development of Manly as a peripheral harbor and beachside village in the fledgling colony of New South Wales. This significance is enhanced by its role as a day-trip and holiday destination during those early years, continuing up to the present time, and its association with H G Smith, the original designer and developer of the TCCA as it is today. The physical elements of the TCCA reflect this early development and its continued use for recreational purposes, most notably the intact promenade quality of The Corso and its turn of the century streetscape, as well as key built elements such as hotels, and remaining original commercial and small scale residential

Item I110 - New Brighton Hotel

Statement of significance

This building is an example of exotic Egyptian-like motifs and Inter-war Free Classical style. The hotel is of major significance due to its contribution to the streetscape, its visual/textural interest and its association with early 20th century development of the resort. An unusual design utilising exotic

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Egyptian-like motifs appropriate to the resort location such as columns faintly reminiscent of the Brighton Pavilion. The building is an important feature on the corner of Sydney Rd and the Corso and its eclectic design contributes to the rich collection of architectural styles in the streetscape of the Corso.

Item I233 - Commercial and residential building

Statement of significance

The building reflects its former use as a fire station. It has a strong presence in the Sydney Road streetscape and contributes to the overall cultural heritage significance and character of the Town Centre Conservation Area.

Item I104 - Street trees

Statement of significance

Part of earliest planting on The Corso c.1850's by H.G. Smith. Historic and aesthetic importance to the streetscape.

Other relevant heritage listings		
SEPP (Biodiversity and	No	
Conservation) 2021		
Australian Heritage Register	No	
NSW State Heritage Register	No	
National Trust of Aust (NSW) Register	No	
RAIA Register of 20th Century Buildings of Significance	No	
Other	No	

Consideration of Application

The proposal seeks consent for alterations and additions to the approved development application to retain the three approved retail tenancies but reconfigure the shopfront design and internal layouts/fit-outs of of approved Retail 2. The Existing sprinkler booster is proposed to be relocated to rear of the building, facing Market Place. The proposed full glazed shopfront is considered to be unsympathetic to the heritage context of the site. The proposal should revise the shopfront treatment to comply with the controls of the related parts of Manly DCP 2013, specifically Schedule 6 - The Corso: Site Specific Controls, which require the following for 63-67 The Corso: :

- re-paint façade to highlight the Art Deco detailing.
- reconstruct ground floor shops as opportunity arises.

It is also required in the Manly DCP 2013 - Special Character Areas and Sites - 5.1.2 The Corso: 5.1.2.13 Shop-fronts are to be Reinstated

- a) Where shop-fronts have been removed and replaced with shuttered openings, the reinstatement of shop-fronts is supported for aesthetic and historic reasons. New Shuttered openings will not be permitted.
- b) New shop-fronts should comprise a 'frame' established by masonry ends read as vertical continuations of the façade above, and by a solid horizontal plinth between the ground and the window sill. The design of the space within this frame can reflect the use of the premises, and utilise contemporary design. See Figure 51 Shop-fronts within a masonry frame.

The internal reconfigurations are considered acceptable, however, the new shopfront design is

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required to be reconfigured to comply with the above controls.

Revised Comments - 10 April 2025

Amended drawings, received on 08 April 2025, provide improvements to the proposed shopfront design by reinserting the approved plinth to the shopfront and aligning the existing column (at the center of the front elevation) with the plinth and the existing side walls. However, the proposed paint colour - Dulux Domino SG6G8 Weathershield Matt - to the shopfront walls is not acceptable from a heritage perspective. While, within the Town Centre Conservation Area, the majority of contemporary colours are not discouraged, dark colours, such as black and dark grey, are not acceptable and the acceptable colours should be combined in a complementary way.

Therefore, no objections are raised on heritage grounds, subject to one condition.

Consider against the provisions of CL5.10 of Manly LEP 2013. Is a Conservation Management Plan (CMP) Required? No Has a CMP been provided? No Is a Heritage Impact Statement required? Yes Has a Heritage Impact Statement been provided? Yes

The proposal is therefore supported.

Note: Should you have any concerns with the referral comments above, please discuss these with the Responsible Officer.

Recommended Heritage Advisor Conditions:

CONDITIONS TO BE SATISFIED PRIOR TO THE ISSUE OF THE CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATE

External colour scheme

The proposed paint colour - Dulux Domino SG6G8 Weathershield Matt - to the shopfront walls is not acceptable within the Town Centre Conservation Area. A revised colour scheme should be submitted to the Council's Heritage Advisor for approval prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

Reason: To ensure the external colour scheme is complementary to the heritage item and the Heritage Conservation Area.

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