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**RE: DA2020/0514 - 1 B Bolingbroke Parade FAIRLIGHT NSW 2094**

I wish to register a letter of support for the renovations of the Treharne Manly boat shed on the south facing shore of Fairlight, North Harbour - Development Application number: DA2020/0514.

The Treharne family are custodians and participants in the historical and cultural fabric of Sydney Harbour. From their services to the harbours boats and moorings - for both the local Manly Community and indeed throughout the rest of the harbour - their role is multi-generational and sincere. As much a part of the life and community of the harbour as the Harbour Bridge or Garden Island. They represent a rarity in the modern world - a local business, doing a good and honest job providing a valuable service to their community.

This is aside and before any of the family's contributions to the culture of the harbour through their significant achievements sailing. Most notably Hugh Treharne's critical role as tactician in guiding Australia to be the first outside country to ever win the America's Cup. A victory which historians and cultural observers note was a turning point in Australia's national psyche. I note this side of the family's history - which runs well beyond Hugh's achievements alone - as significant because it shows they are people of the harbour, who care about it, treat it as their home and are part of the community. Well known and respected throughout.

The modest renovations they are proposing are much needed, will help tidy up the ageing boat shed for aesthetic and safety reasons, allow an enhanced service to the local community in particular and will have added benefits in allowing this small, family run business to become more environmentally, socially and economically sustainable into it's next chapter. These renovations are also in keeping with the locations tradition of staying as a working boat shed.

Having been nestled quietly in the same spot, adding value and service to the community and harbour since 1945 - I sincerely look forward to seeing this terrific family's legacy and contribution continue.

Should you require any more information at all, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Yours Sincerely,

Matt Tomaszewski