

Heritage Referral Response

Application Number:	DA2024/1375
	Internal and external alterations and additions to Manly Wharf and Manly Wharf Hotel
Date:	15/01/2025
То:	Claire Ryan
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 1 DP 1170245 , 0 East Esplanade MANLY NSW 2095

Officer comments

HERITAGE COMMENTS

Discussion of reason for referral

The proposal has been referred to Heritage as the subject site is a heritage item with state significance, and in the vicinity of the **Manly Town Centre Conservation Area** and a number of heritage items with local significance:

SHR No 01434 - Manly Wharf

Item I143 - Park/Reserve - East Esplanade

Item I251 - Park - West Esplanade

Item I1 - Harbour foreshores - Manly municipal area boundary adjacent to the Harbour

Details of heritage items affected

Details of the items as contained within the heritage inventory are:

SHR No 01434 - Manly Wharf

Statement of Significance

Of environmental significance as a visually prominent man-made feature. Of historical significance for its associations with the maritime activities at Manly as a tourist destination and suburb of Sydney, dependent on the ferry link to the CBD. (Anglin 1990:2033)

Together with Circular Quay, the wharf is the only substantial older style ferry wharf surviving in Port Jackson: association with Manly's history as a recreational centre. (Blackmore, Ashton, Higginbotham, Rich, Burton, Maitland, Pike 1985)

Physical Description

A broad wharf supported on timber piers and with a concrete platform. The superstructure is constructed of steel and timber. The facade and side walls form an important architectural design, similar to the Circular Quay ferry terminals. (Blackmore, Ashton, Higginbotham, Rich, Burton, Maitland, Pike, 1985).

The original part of the wharf was built in a modernistic transport idiom, with typical stylistic features of era including play of circular and rectangular geometric terms, bayed facade to the water (marine connotations), wide arc plan at entrance, clock tower with "fins", flat roofing marked by wide fascia board. The current entrance was originally designed as a tram terminus and turning area. Timber clad framed structure opening and large internal spaces, concrete deck to west enclosed by "ship" railing. Some original shop fittings, signage etc. Subjected to major alterations to the wharf wings involving a T-shaped clerestorey (Stapleton, 1981).

Additions to the wharf include the hydrofoil pontoon c1968, and the more recent elevated platforms for new ferries. (Blackmore, Ashton, Higginbotham, Rich, Burton, Maitland, Pike 1985)

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Extensive refurbishment in 1990. (Anglin 1990:2033)

Item I143 - Park/Reserve

Statement of Significance

Belongs to similar treatment as West Esplanade as early cultural landscape to emphasise arrival by ferry.

Physical Description

Open space, part beach, sandstone retaining wall and park railing, pavings and split stone edging, raised planting beds, grassed surfaces and cultrual planting of Norfolk Island pine and Port Jackson figs. All items substantially intact.

Item I251 - Park

Statement of Significance

Part of earliest cultural treatment of Manly landscape and provision of designed open space. High visual significance.

Physical Description

Open space, beach, sandstone retaining wall, pavings, grassed surfaces, monument, structures and cultural plantings of Norfolk Island pine, Moreton Bay Figs, Port Jackson figs and Canary Island Palms. Raised planting beds, with spilt stone edging of Edwardian period characterise the eastern part of the Park. Recent paving detracts from the Edwardian character.

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

Consideration of Application

The proposal seeks consent for alterations and additions to the existing heritage item, including the removal of existing balustrades and the timber and concrete bench seats around the water's edge; removal of timber balustrades that define the edge between the public promenade and the outdoor seating areas of The Bavarian and the Manly Wharf Hotel; installation of new 1,200mm and 1,800mm high retractable glass balustrades to replace all removed balustrading; removal of existing awnings, to be replaced with new operable awnings; installation of a pizza preparation area including the replacement of an existing gas fired pizza oven with two solid fuel pizza ovens and one solid fuel grill in the existing Manly Wharf Hotel kitchen; extension of Manly Wharf Bar deck by 159 sqm to enable construction of a children's play area and a repurposed boat playground installation.

As Manly wharf is a state heritage item, the application is an integrated development and was referred to Heritage NSW. In response, Heritage NSW provided their comments requiring additional information and updated documents to enable completion of the assessment.

Therefore, Heritage require additional information as outlined within the response of Heritage NSW.

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Consider against the provisions of CL5.10 of MLEP.

Is a Conservation Management Plan (CMP) Required? No Has a CMP been provided? Manly Wharf already has a CMP Is a Heritage Impact Statement required? Yes Has a Heritage Impact Statement been provided? Yes

The proposal is therefore unsupported.

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

Recommended Heritage Advisor Conditions:

Nil.

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