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The General Manager

Northern Beaches Council PO Box 82 Manly NSW 1655

Dear Sir/Madam.

SHORT-FORM HERITAGE IMPACT **STATEMENT**—St Andrew's Hall, 54 Raglan Street, Manly

Touring the Past has been engaged by St Andrew's Presbyterian Church, the owner of St Andrew's Hall at 54 Raglan Street, Manly (subject place)—an item of environmental heritage under Schedule 5 of the *Manly Local Environmental Plan 2013*—to review the potential heritage impact of modifications to a submitted Development Application (DA).

As background, a long-form Heritage Impact Statement was prepared by Touring the Past in November 2019 to assess the adaption of the circa 1913 rear service wing at St Andrew's Hall into a two-bedroom unit. It should be referred to for information concerning the historical evolution, physical analysis and the contribution made by the rear service wing to the identified cultural significance of the subject place (in summary, little).

In order to satisfy light, ventilation and BCA requirements, some minor variations to the original proposal are necessitated. These modifications are outlined in detail by drawings prepared Duffy Regan Design and attached as part of this submission. Of pertinence to a consideration of heritage impact would be the addition of small skylight (780 x 980) to the eastern roof plane of the rear service wing and replacement of an existing window to the western elevation with a larger/elongated timber-framed and double-hung sash.

The new work is minimal and essential to support the residential adaption of the rear service wing. It would not require the removal of significant fabric (the extant window being a standard element of its era with no meaningful visual presence) or be overly visible from the public domain. While a non-traditional feature, the skylight is compact and would only perceptible from the backyard of the Manse. It would not adversely affect any important/aesthetically pleasing views or vistas either to or from the subject place.

Overall, the modifications to the DA would not alter the original finding of negligible heritage impact.

Yours faithfully,

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