

# **Heritage Referral Response**

Application Number:	DA2023/1293
	Use of Premises as an educational establishment, fit out and signage
Date:	18/10/2023
То:	Olivia Ramage
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 20 DP 235980 , 19 Sydney Road MANLY NSW 2095

#### Officer comments

## Discussion of reason for referral

The proposal has been referred to heritage as the subject property sits within the **C2 - Manly Town Centre Conservation Area** and is within the vicinity of a number of heritage items:

Item I106 - Group of commercial buildings - All numbers, The Corso, Manly

Item I108 - Group of commercial buildings - 41–45 The Corso, Manly

Item 1234 - Group of 5 commercial buildings - 39-47 Sydney Road, Manly

Item 1233 - Commercial and residential building - 12 Sydney Road, Manly

## Details of heritage items affected

Details of the HCA and the heritage items, as contained within the Manly Heritage Inventory are:

## **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.

#### 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.

## Physical description

The Corso acts as a low scale horizontal corridor which steps down from the harbour to the ocean. The atmosphere of The Corso is of a 19th century place. Its special qualities include the contrasts of horizontal (low scale architecture) and vertical (planting) dimensions, and urban and natural elements.

## Item I108 - Group of commercial buildings

Statement of significance

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The group is of major significance for its contribution to the streetscape of The Corso and as extant 19th century commercial architecture.

## Physical description

Group of (originally) five two storey brick buildings with painted stone face and mixture of slate, iron and tiled roofs. The buildings were originally constructed as a symmetrical group: the two end buildings bearing paired gabled ends over first floor with mock Tudor design in timber and render on the western end and intaglio design on the eastern. The buildings either side of the centre had triangular pediments above first floor windows and the central building has a segmental pediment of the same width containing tow semi-circular windows with multi-paned glazing. The central building also has heavily ornamented pilasters at first floor level. Two (of a possible four) tall stone (?) chimneys survive. Two halves of the eastern end buildings have been demolished and the space infilled. Ground floor shopfronts are modern. (originally 41 The Corso entry SoS)

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 Consideration of Application	No	

## Consideration of Application

The proposal seeks consent for the change in use to an education college with new fit-outs, including reconfiguration of internal layout to create classrooms and associated spaces, replacement of existing signage, using the same location and dimensions. The subject property is not a listed heritage item but located within the TCCA and is considered to be a contributory item and is in the vicinity of a number of heritage items.

Given the proposed works are mainly confined to the internal modifications which will not have an impact on the mass and scale and the built form of the existing building and the only external works proposed are signage installations, which are similar to the existing signage, the overall impact of the proposed works are considered acceptable.

Therefore, no objections are raised on heritage grounds and no conditions required.

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

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The proposal is therefore supported.

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

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# **Recommended Heritage Advisor Conditions:**

Nil.

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