

Heritage Referral Response

Application Number:	DA2019/1535
To:	Penny Wood
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 1 DP 216273 , 11 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, within the vicinity of heritage items and within a conservation area. Item I106 - Group of commercial buildings - All numbers, The Corso Item I107 - Commercial building - 36 The Corso Item C2 - Town Centre Heritage Conservation Area Item I102 - 2 cast iron pedestals (former street lights) - The Corso (central reservation, between The Esplanade and Darley 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: Item I106 - Group of commercial buildings <u>Statement of significance:</u> 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. <u>Physical description:</u> The Corso is the NE-SW link between Manly Beach and Manly Cove. It acts as a low scale horizontal corridor which steps down from the harbour to the ocean. It has a cohesive character resulting from generally low scale of development on its principle streets, Construction to the property boundaries, slightly higher and distinctive corner buildings and a good level of pedestrian protection and amenity generated by footpath awnings and through-block arcades has produced strongly defined and comfortable urban spaces. These spaces range from the tight enclosure of the arcades through to the openness of the Ocean Beach promenade and the esplanade. Item I107 - Commercial building <u>Statement of significance:</u> One of the most elaborate facades featured in The Corso, contributes aesthetically and historically to the Corso streetscape. <u>Physical description:</u> 2 storey rendered brick building of late Victorian period with elaborate Italianate rendered decoration

above ground floor. Architectural significance in intricacy and detailing of pediment and in general abundance of motif and ornament including garlands, globes, acanthus leaf, palmate and intaglio decoration. 21/7/99 Community Aid Abroad shop. Fine example of elaborate Victorian Italianate shop. Some glass survives however has been painted. Original form of shop survives beneath modern building.

Item C2 - Town Centre Heritage Conservation Area

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 buildings.

Item I102 - 2 cast iron pedestals (former street lights)

Statement of significance:

Important evidence of early lighting fixtures in The Corso. Central reservation of The Corso between The Esplanade and Darley Road, Manly.

Physical description:

Each pedestal is made of cast iron, square in section and tapering towards the top. A narrow cylindrical stem for a street light has been removed from each and capped. Each pedestal carries the MMC emblem of the Council, with a plate identifying the manufacturer: 'Marrickville Engineering Works Ltd., Makers, Sydney'. Further research is necessary to identify the date and type of illumination (gas or electricity).

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.

Physical description:

Centre planting of Ficus Macrophylla (Moreton Bay Fig) Remnant Palm planting (Phoenix Canariensis) of 1928.

Other relevant heritage listings

Sydney Regional Environmental Plan (Sydney Harbour Catchment) 2005	No	
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 the change of use and internal alterations/internal fitout including

partition walls, installation of a drinks service area, sanitary facilities, storage and shelving, to 11 The Corso, Manly. It does not include any outdoor signage or any changes to the facade or shopfront. The proposal retains the existing facade, therefore it is believed that there will be no adverse impact upon the significance of the heritage item and the conservation area.

Therefore Heritage raises no objections and requires no conditions.

Consider against the provisions of CL5.10 of MLEP.

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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Further Comments

COMPLETED BY: Oya Guner, Heritage Advisor

DATE: 27 February 2020

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:

Nil.