



ACT Heritage Council

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Dear Lyn

Cultural Heritage Assessment Report: Amaroo Tennis Facility Block 4 Section 109 Amaroo

Thank you for your 28 February 2022 submission to the ACT Heritage Council (the Council), which provided the “*Amaroo Tennis Facility Block 4 Section 109 Amaroo. Aboriginal and Historical Heritage Assessment*” (CHA) (Past Traces, 28 February 2022) for review.

The CHA assesses the northern portion of Block 4 Section 109 Amaroo for the proposed development of a Tennis Recreational and Sporting Facility. Previous Council advice dated 3 October 2019 recommended this northern site as its preferred location to minimise adverse heritage effects.

The CHA contains adequate details of consultation with the Representative Aboriginal Organisation (RAOs), and adequate justification, including desktop assessment and field survey, for the conclusion that:

- Whilst previously recorded and registered Aboriginal places are located in the project area, the Aboriginal places have been previously salvaged and pose no further development constraints; and
- The previously noted historic objects have been destroyed through construction.

All RAOs were invited to participate in the survey, with representatives from Ngarigu Currawong Clan, King Brown Tribal Group, Mirrabee and Buru Ngunawal Aboriginal Corporation attending. The draft version of the CHA was circulated to all RAOs, and subsequent verbal consultation indicates that Ngarigu Currawong Clan, King Brown Tribal Group and Mirrabee were supportive of the recommendations. Buru Ngunawal Aboriginal Corporation did not provide any formal comment but acknowledged receipt of the draft CHA and advised that comment would be made if there were any concerns regarding the proposal.



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Advice

Following review, the Council endorses “*Amaroo Tennis Facility Block 4 Section 109 Amaroo Aboriginal and Historical Heritage Assessment*” (Past Traces, 28 February 2022) with the following conditions and noting that the proposal is not expected to damage Aboriginal places or objects:

1. As the CHA was submitted following previous advice from the Council based on Concept Plans only, the Council will require referral of finalised plans as a part of the Development Application process. This will allow assessment of the finalised design as it relates to heritage matters;
2. A redacted version of the CHA should be made for any publicly available versions that may be exhibited. Any redacted version of the report must be submitted to the Council for advice prior to exhibition; and
3. The Unexpected Discovery Plan outlined in Appendix 2 of the CHA must be adhered to during all works.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'MRussell'.

Meaghan Russell
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ACT Heritage Council**

20 July 2022