

# TASMANIAN HERITAGE COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF MEETING NO. 20201208

### Tuesday 8 December 2020

Venue: Videoconference meeting via Zoom  
 Start time: 11:40am

#### 1. CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

##### 1.1. Welcome

1.1.1. In-camera session

1.1.2. Present and Apologies

##### **Tasmanian Heritage Council**

Brett Torossi	Chair
Jim Cox	Member representing the Local Government Association of Tasmania
Caroline Evans	Member with expertise in history
David Gatenby	Member representing the Tasmanian Farmers and Graziers Association
Roger Hesketh	Member representing the Tasmanian Council of Churches
Jennifer Jones-Travers	Member with expertise in Archaeology
Stuart King	Member representing heritage conservation interests
Genevieve Lilley	Member with expertise in architecture
Kathryn McCann	Member representing the Tourism (Industry) Council of Tasmania
Philip Mussared	Member representing the National Trust
Jessica Richmond	Member representing the mining industry with expertise in mining heritage
Peter Scott	Member representing the building development industry
Alex van der Hek	Member representing community interests
Deidre Wilson	Alternate member for the Director of National Parks and Wildlife

##### Apologies

Simon Angilley	Member with expertise in engineering, nominated by the Local Government Association of Tasmania
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##### **Heritage Tasmania**

Andrew Roberts	A/Director
Chris Bonner	Regional Heritage Advisor
Annita Waghorn	Registration Manager
John Stephenson	Data & Geospatial Coordinator
Felicity Britten	Executive Officer

1.1.3. Declarations of Interest

- Deidre Wilson advised that the discretionary permit application for works to her residence (as declared at the 19 August 2020 Heritage Council meeting) was recently approved under delegation and is listed in the *Heritage Tasmania report to 27 November 2020* at agenda item 1.4.1.
- Brett Torossi advised of recent share purchases. The register of interests will be updated to include these.

1.1.4. Review of agenda and noting of 'asterisked' items

One amendment to the agenda was agreed:

- The asterisk against agenda item 1.5.7 – Media release from the Tasmanian Aboriginal Heritage Council re Wirksworth, Bellerive to be removed, making this a matter for discussion rather than noting.

**Move:** Alex van der Hek **Second:** David Gatenby

**20201208/1 Resolved:**

**That the Tasmanian Heritage Council:**

NOTE those items from the agenda marked with an asterisk:

1.1.5 Register of Interests

1.2.2 THC Action Sheet – 26 November 2020

1.4.1 Heritage Tasmania Report to 27 November 2020

1.5.1 THC Finance Report to 30 September 2020

1.5.2 THC Work Plan (2020-21)

1.5.3 THC Contact List

1.5.4 Minutes of Registration Committee Meetings: 27 November 2019 and 22 September 2020

1.5.5 Minutes of Works Committee Meeting – 9 September 2020

1.5.6 Correspondence with Cultural Heritage Practitioners Tasmania (CHPT) re probation system heritage

1.1.5. Register of Interests

See item 1.1.4 above.

1.1.6. Work Health and Safety

No matters for discussion.

1.1.7. Round Table

Members introduced themselves to new member, Peter Scott, providing some background on their role and experience, as well as an update on recent activities.

- Stuart King noted the City of Melbourne's recent Hoddle Grid Heritage Review, the varied means utilised for public engagement and the identification of Twentieth Century heritage places.
- Genevieve Lilley advised of recent discussions regarding an application for entry to the Heritage Register for the Peter Partridge-designed Supreme Court building in Hobart.
- Peter Scott advised that his firm is currently working with the University of Tasmania (UTas) on the diesel sheds and stone building at Inveresk as part of their renovation of the site.
- Jennifer Jones-Travers advised that she has recently participated in the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary meeting of the Australasian Society for Historical Archaeology.

- Caroline Evans advised that she had investigated discussion with UTas re possible areas for future collaboration. Caroline and Jennifer to discuss further to extend contacts beyond the School of History.

## **1.2. Minutes, Agenda Review and Action Sheet**

### 1.2.1. Draft Minutes of 21 October 2020 THC Meeting

**Move:** Deidre Wilson **Second:** Roger Hesketh

**20201208/2 Resolved:**

**That the Tasmanian Heritage Council:**

Accept as a true and accurate record, the draft minutes of the 21 October 2020 (meeting 20201021) meeting of the Tasmanian Heritage Council.

### 1.2.2. Tasmanian Heritage Council Action Sheet – 26 November 2020

See 1.1.4 above

## **1.3. Chair's Report**

### 1.3.1 General Update from the Chair

The Chair advised of progress with the Tasmanac project, noting that the beta version is currently being tested, and more content is being produced by project partners.

The Chair advised that a suitability assessment has been completed following the recent public expression of interest process for the heritage conservation interests representative and community interests representative positions on the Heritage Council, both of which expire at the end of December.

Recent correspondence from the proponent for the Launceston Gasworks art gallery and car park has been received. It was noted that the project is being revisited and a new permit application may result.

The Chair and Jennifer Jones-Travers have been in conversation with Richard Tuffin of Cultural Heritage Practitioners Tasmania to discuss the organisation's concerns around archaeological management and practices. A further meeting is planned early in 2021 to provide him with an update on progress and the formation of an archaeological working group.

**Move:** Genevieve Lilley **Second:** Jennifer Jones-Travers

**20201208/3 Resolved:**

**That the Tasmanian Heritage Council:**

Note the update from the Chair.

## **1.4 Director's Report**

### 1.4.1 Heritage Tasmania Report to 27 November 2020

See 1.1.4 above

## **1.5 Matters for Noting**

### 1.5.1 THC Finance Report

See 1.4.1 above.

### 1.5.2 THC Work Plan (2020-21)

See 1.1.4 above.

- 1.5.3 THC contact list  
See 1.1.4 above.
- 1.5.4 Minutes of Registration Committee Meetings: 27 November 2019 and 22 September 2020  
See 1.1.4 above.
- 1.5.5 Minutes of Works Committee Meeting – 9 September 2020  
See 1.1.4 above.
- 1.5.6 Correspondence with Cultural Heritage Practitioners Tasmania (CHPT) re probation system heritage  
See 1.1.4 above.
- 1.5.7 Media release from the Tasmanian Aboriginal Heritage Council re Wirksworth, Bellerive  
At the suggestion of members, it was agreed that a meeting between the Chairs of the Aboriginal Heritage Council and Tasmanian Heritage Council should be facilitated to establish dialogue between the two organisations and to discuss potential areas of common interest.

## **1.6 Strategic and Policy Matters**

- 1.6.1 Draft revised *THC Strategic Plan 2019/20 – 2023/24 Reviewed 2020*  
**Move:** Genevieve Lilley **Second:** Jennifer Jones-Travers  
**20201208/4 Resolved:**  
**That the Tasmanian Heritage Council:**  
Endorse the *THC Strategic Plan 2019/20 – 2023/24 Reviewed 8 December 2020*.
- 1.6.2 Draft revised *Register of Risks against the THC Strategic Plan 2019-2024*  
**Move:** Philip Mussared **Second:** Alex van der Hek  
**20201208/5 Resolved:**  
**That the Tasmanian Heritage Council:**  
Endorse the *THC Strategic Plan 2019/20 – 2023/24 Reviewed 8 December 2020*.

The Chair thanked Philip Mussared for his work in reviewing the Register of Risks.

Jim Cox joined the meeting at 12.45pm.

- 1.6.3 Declarations of Interest – Mount Wellington cable car project  
Deidre Wilson spoke on this matter, noting that the Department of Premier and Cabinet had previously sought information from Government boards and committees on any conflicts of interest relating to the Mount Wellington cable car project. With a number of new members having joined the Heritage Council since that 2019 exercise, declarations of interest around this project are being sought once again to ensure currency.

No direct conflicts of interest were identified. It was noted however that, should the Heritage Council be required to make a statutory determination on a permit application(s) for the project in the future, declarations of interest would need to be considered again at that time.

- 1.6.4 2021 THC Meeting Calendar

**Move:** Roger Hesketh **Second:** Peter Scott

**20201208/6 Resolved:**

**That the Tasmanian Heritage Council:**

Endorse the 2021 THC Meeting Calendar, with agreed minor amendments.

## **2. MATTERS FOR DECISION**

### **2.1 Works Matters**

David Gatenby, Jessica Richmond and Kathryn McCann left the meeting at 1.15pm

#### **2.1.1 Discretionary permit application – WA6387 – Lloyd’s Hotel, 17-25 George Street, Launceston – retrospective replacement of timber window sashes with UPVC windows**

Chris Bonner provided the meeting with a briefing on this permit application. Discussion on various aspects of the application followed.

**Move:** Roger Hesketh **Second:** Caroline Evans

**20201208/7 Resolved:**

**That the Tasmanian Heritage Council:**

1. Advise the planning authority that the discretionary permit application in accordance with the documentation submitted with Development Application DA0614/2020, advertised on 07/11/2020, should be approved subject to a condition that the uPVC windows are not approved on the basis that they diminish the place’s historic cultural heritage significance, and do not conform to the *Appropriate Outcomes* described in the *Works Guidelines* Section 1.4 Doors and Windows.
2. Provide additional advice recommending the removal of the uPVC windows and reinstatement of timber sash windows.

It was agreed that consideration be given to the preparation of a practice note or similar to provide guidance on the installation of solar panels, energy efficient windows and other environmental solutions.

The meeting broke for lunch from 1.30 – 2.00pm.

### **2.2 Registration Matters**

#### **2.2.1 Tasmanian Heritage Register – Legacy Locations Pilot Project update**

John Stephenson provided an overview of the closure report for the Legacy Locations Pilot Project. Following discussion, the Heritage Council provided general input on priority areas to help guide planning for the next stage of cadastral improvements.

**Move:** Roger Hesketh **Second:** Jennifer Jones-Travers

**20201208/8 Resolved:**

**That the Tasmanian Heritage Council:**

1. ENDORSE the Project Closure Report presented in Attachment 1 of the briefing to the Heritage Council.
2. NOTE that planning for the extension of the task to the remainder of the Register will be based on priorities identified in the Heritage Council’s Strategic

- Plan and other Heritage Tasmania operational efficiencies.
3. NOTE that a plan for implementing a publicly accessible digitised Register will be presented at the 17 February 2021 Heritage Council meeting.

The Chair thanked and congratulated the project team for their professional and expert implementation of the project and the excellent closure report and results.

2.2.2 Plan to develop a Thematic Framework for the Tasmanian Heritage Register

Annita Waghorn provided the meeting with an overview on the plan to develop a thematic framework which will help improve searchability for the Tasmanian Heritage Register and help assess how well the Register represents Tasmania's principle historical themes and site types.

**Move:** Stuart King **Second:** Philip Mussared

**20201208/9 Resolved:**

**That the Tasmanian Heritage Council:**

APPROVE the plan to prepare a Thematic Framework for the Heritage Register as per Attachment 1.

2.2.3 Registration Committee review of delegated decisions

Annita Waghorn provided a briefing on this matter, noting that the proposed approach is adapted from that currently used by the Heritage Council's Works Committee, previously approved by the Heritage Council.

**Move:** Genevieve Lilley **Second:** Alex van der Hek

**20201208/10 Resolved:**

**That the Tasmanian Heritage Council:**

APPROVE the Terms of Reference for the review of Registration delegated decisions and draft review template as per Attachments 4 and 5 of the briefing to the Heritage Council.

2.2.4 Removal of Provisional entry for Hotel and Shop consolidating existing Heritage Register entries for Clarence Hotel and adjacent Shop

Annita Waghorn explained that the proposal is for the provisional entry for the Hotel and Shop to be removed from the Heritage Register in response to points raised in the submission made by the owner during public consultation. The two places will remain on the Register under their original entries and further assessment of the places will be conducted in 2021.

**Move:** Stuart King **Second:** Alex van der Hek

**20201208/11 Resolved:**

**That the Tasmanian Heritage Council:**

1. NOT APPROVE the permanent entry in the Heritage Register for the Hotel and Shop, Bellerive (THR#11996; Attachment 1), as per the provisions of s21(1)(b) of the Historic Cultural Heritage Act 1995
2. APPROVE the removal of the provisional entry for Hotel and Shop, Bellerive (THR#11996; Attachment 1), as per the provisions of s21(1)(b) and 21(2) of the Historic Cultural Heritage Act 1995.
3. NOTE that the existing entries for the Clarence Hotel (THR#950) and adjacent Shop (THR#951) (Attachment 2 ) will remain in the Register and will be the subject of further review as part of the PAL 2019-2020 to consider issues raised in the received owner submission.

It was agreed that consideration be given to establishing an appropriate threshold for integrity of hotel and shop buildings which often have lower levels of integrity on

ground floor interior and facades due to repeated renovations to maintain commercial viability.

2.2.5 Permanent replacement entry to THR – Acton, Everton Place, Acton

**Move:** Alex van der Hek **Second:** Philip Mussared

**20201208/12 Resolved:**

**That the Tasmanian Heritage Council:**

1. APPROVE the permanent replacement entry for Acton, 47 Everton Place, Acton Park (THR#11272) consolidating existing Heritage Register entries for Acton (THR #1024) and Acton Cottage (THR #1025) to update the information relating to the entry, as per the datasheet and the boundary plan at Attachment 1.
2. APPROVE the intention to remove Acton, 47 Everton Place, Acton Park (THR #1024) and Acton Cottage, 47 Everton Place, Acton Park (THR #1025) from the Tasmanian Heritage Register, pursuant to s22 (1A) (c) of the *Historic Cultural Heritage Act 1995*, and subsequently writing to owners and planning authorities pursuant to s22(5) (a) and s22 (6) on the basis that these entries are duplicated or substantially duplicated by the consolidated replacement entry for 'Acton' (THR #11272).

2.2.6 Provisional replacement entry to THR – Millbrook Water Mill, Ouse

The proposal for the provisional replacement entry to the Heritage Register was discussed, noting that property owners will have opportunity to provide further feedback as part of the formal statutory process.

**Move:** Philip Mussared **Second:** Stuart King

**20201208/13 Resolved:**

**That the Tasmanian Heritage Council:**

1. APPROVE the provisional entry in the Heritage Register of Millbrook Mill, Water Race and Farm (THR#12014), 32 Victoria Valley Rd, Ouse as per the datasheet and boundary plan provided in Attachment 1.
2. APPROVE the draft 'Development Guidelines: Water Race, being part of Millbrook Mill, Water Race and Farm (THR#887)' as per Attachment 3.

2.2.7 Rejection of application for entry to THR – Blacksmith's Shop, Victoria Valley Road, Ouse

**Move:** Caroline Evans **Second:** Roger Hesketh

**20201208/14 Resolved:**

**That the Tasmanian Heritage Council:**

APPROVE the rejection of the application to enter the Blacksmith's Shop at Lot 1, 9 Victoria Valley Rd, Ouse, in the Tasmanian Heritage Register pursuant to section 17(1) of the *Historic Cultural Heritage Act 1995* on the basis that the place does not meet any criteria for entry in the Register.

It was agreed that Heritage Tasmania will write to Central Highlands Council, providing them with the historical research information for this property, and encouraging them to consider adding the place to their local heritage code.

2.2.8 Rejection of application for entry to THR – stone wall, Old Marchington, Breadalbane

**Move:** Alex van der Hek **Second:** Jim Cox

**20201208/15 Resolved:**

**That the Tasmanian Heritage Council:**

APPROVE the rejection of the application to enter Stone wall, Marchington, 717 Hobart Road, Breadalbane, in the Tasmanian Heritage Register pursuant to section 17(1) of the *Historic Cultural Heritage Act 1995* on the basis that the place does not meet any criteria for entry in the Register.

### **3. OTHER BUSINESS**

#### **3.1.1 Any other business**

With the term of community interests representative, Alex van der Hek, concluding on 31 December 2020, the Chair expressed her thanks to Alex for his time and dedication in the role since his appointment in 2012. His contribution to both the Heritage Council and its Registration Committee is much appreciated.

#### **3.1.2 Meeting review**

In light of the number of former members' terms expiring in recent months, and the inability to farewell them in person, it was agreed that those members be invited to join the Heritage Council for lunch on 17 February 2021.

The Chair conveyed her best wishes to members for the holidays and closed the meeting.

### **4. NEXT MEETING**

#### **4.1 Date of next meetings:**

- **Regular, bi-monthly meeting: Wednesday 17 February 2021, 10.00am, venue TBC.**

Meeting concluded at 3.10pm.

**Meeting No 20201208  
Held on 8 December 2020**

**Signed as a correct record**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Brett Torossi', written in a cursive style.

**Brett Torossi  
Chair**

17 February 2021