

# TASMANIAN HERITAGE COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF MEETING NO. 20210818

### Wednesday 18 August 2021

Venue: Level 1, 134 Macquarie Street, Hobart and via videoconference  
 Start time: 10:00am

#### 1. CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

##### 1.1. Welcome

1.1.1. The Chair welcomed members to the meeting.

##### 1.1.2. Present and Apologies

#### **Tasmanian Heritage Council**

Brett Torossi	Chair
Simon Angilley	Member with expertise in engineering, nominated by the Local Government Association of Tasmania
Caroline Evans	Member with expertise in history
Mary Duniam	Member representing community interests
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
Peter Scott	Member representing the building development industry
Deidre Wilson	Alternate member for the Director of National Parks and Wildlife

#### Apologies

Jim Cox	Member representing the Local Government Association of Tasmania
Jessica Richmond	Member representing the mining industry with expertise in mining heritage

#### **Heritage Tasmania**

Andrew Roberts	Director
Annita Waghorn	Registration Manager
Ian Boersma	Works Manager
Richard Allen	Heritage Research Officer
Felicity Britten	Executive Officer

### 1.1.3. Declarations of Interest

- Jennifer Jones-Travers advised that her company, Extent Heritage, has been engaged to conduct a local heritage survey for Central Coast Council. It was noted that a part time Heritage Tasmania staff member is also providing research services to Extent Heritage for the survey as a private consultant in their own time.  
It was agreed that there is no conflict as the consultant is reviewing local heritage places, rather than State listed heritage places. However it was also agreed that consideration should be given to an appropriate process to avoid any future conflicts within Heritage Tasmania, should places be identified and recommended for entry in the Tasmanian Heritage Register during the conduct of the survey.

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

**Move:** Mary Duniam **Second:** Deidre Wilson

**20210818/1 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

1.4.1 Heritage Tasmania Report to 31 July 2021

1.5.1 THC Finance Report

1.5.2 THC Work Plan (2021-22)

1.5.3 Strategic Plan 2019/20 – 2023/24 (Reviewed 8 December 2020)

1.5.4 Register of Risks – THC Strategic Plan

1.5.5 THC Contact List

1.5.6 Endorsed minutes of Registration Committee Meeting – 18 March 2021

### 1.1.5. Register of Interests

See item 1.1.4 above.

### 1.1.6. Work Health and Safety

The meeting was advised that further clarification of work health and safety provisions around members' travel to and from meetings was being sought by Heritage Tasmania. It was agreed that the priority is to make travel as safe as possible for members.

There was also brief discussion of possible future mandating COVID-19 vaccinations.

### 1.1.7. Round Table – brief updates

Members provided an update on recent activities.

- Simon Angilley advised that his employer, Central Coast Council, has recently appointed consultants to conduct a municipal heritage survey.
- Stuart King is currently delivering a University of Melbourne unit, *Issues and Techniques in Global Heritage*.  
He also referred members to a publication developed by the Getty Institute and ICOMOS in collaboration, [\*The Twentieth-Century Historic Thematic Framework – A Tool for Assessing Heritage Places\*](#).

- Roger Hesketh has been researching his family tree, and in particular, his great grandfather, who arrived in Tasmania in 1842, and was the Hobart Prison Chapel chaplain.
- Genevieve Lilley noted that she had had recent discussions on the buildings within the Zinc Works site and possible recycling, adaptation and re-use options.
- Philip Mussared advised that the Managing Director of the National Trust Tasmania has separated from the organisation, and the position will be publicly advertised in September 2021.
- As per item 1.1.3 above, Jennifer Jones-Travers advised that Extent Heritage has been engaged to conduct a local heritage survey for Central Coast Council. It was noted that a part time Heritage Tasmania staff member is also providing research services to Extent Heritage for the survey as a consultant in their own time.  
Although the consultant will be reviewing local heritage places, rather than State listed heritage places, it was agreed that consideration should be given to an appropriate process, should places be identified and recommended for entry in the Tasmanian Heritage Register during the conduct of the survey.
- David Gatenby advised that Campbell Town, Ross and Perth will be celebrating their bicentenary in October 2021, with a number of tours and other events planned.
- Peter Scott advised that Xsquared Architects is undertaking some work at Port Arthur, and that there may be the opportunity for some behind the scenes look at the site in the future for members.  
Peter has also recently participated in the judging of the Master Builders Tasmania Awards for Excellence. He noted that there had been few entries in the heritage categories and that builders should encouraged to showcase their heritage works via this avenue.
- Caroline Evans reminded members of the ongoing Professional Historians Association lecture series, held on the first Thursday of each month at the Allport Library and Museum in Hobart. Audio recordings of all lectures are available via [Soundcloud at the Libraries Tasmania web site](#). Anyone that would like to subscribe to the email list for these events can do so via Caroline.
- Mary Duniam has been reading *No Ordinary Convict: A Welshman Called Rebecca*, which tells the story of her antecedent, John Hughes, a political prisoner transported to Van Diemen's Land in the 1840s.  
Mary went on to note that the town of Waratah, where Hughes settled, will be celebrating this December, the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the discovery of tin by James (Philosopher) Smith.
- Deidre Wilson advised that DPIPWE has been busy with COVID border control matters, and noted that the State Budget would be released on 26 August. Deidre advised that with the current repurposing of the heritage listed Newnham Hall for the Tasmanian Institute of Agriculture, DPIPWE's needs at the site are also being considered.

## 1.2. Minutes, Agenda Review and Action Sheet

### 1.2.1. Draft Minutes of 16 June 2021 THC Meeting

**Move:** Peter Scott **Second:** Jennifer Jones-Travers

**20210818/2 Resolved:**

**That the Tasmanian Heritage Council:**

Accept as a true and accurate record, the draft minutes of the 16 June 2021 meeting of the Tasmanian Heritage Council (meeting 20210616).

### 1.2.2. Tasmanian Heritage Council Action Sheet

See 1.1.4 above.

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

#### **1.3.1. General Update from the Chair**

The Chair advised that she and David Gatenby had recently met with Rodney Dillon, Chair of the Aboriginal Heritage Council (AHC), to discuss areas of mutual interest and options for working together. Options for joint projects were discussed and a future joint meeting of the two bodies was also suggested.

It was agreed that Heritage Tasmania would write to the AHC Chair to thank him for the meeting and to extend an invitation to join a future meeting of the Heritage Council.

It was also agreed that Aboriginal Heritage Tasmania be invited to provide the Heritage Council with a briefing on the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 1975*, its coming review and the potential interaction points with the *Historic Cultural Heritage Act 1995*.

It was further agreed that where possible, Heritage Tasmania should promote to its stakeholders the importance of understanding the obligations under the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 1975*.

### **1.4 Director's Report**

#### **1.4.1 Heritage Tasmania Report to 31 July 2021**

See 1.1.4 above.

### **1.5 Matters for Noting**

#### **1.5.1 THC Finance Report**

See 1.1.4 above.

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

See 1.1.4 above.

#### **1.5.3 THC Strategic Plan 2019/20 – 2023/24 (Reviewed 8 December 2020)**

See 1.1.4 above.

#### **1.5.4 Register of Risks – THC Strategic Plan**

See 1.1.4 above.

#### **1.5.5 THC Contact List**

See 1.1.4 above.

#### **1.5.6 Endorsed Minutes of Registration Committee Meeting – 18 March 2021**

See 1.1.4 above.

#### **1.5.7 UNE convict landscapes mapping project – presentation from Dr Richard Tuffin**

Dr Richard Tuffin joined the meeting and provided members with an overview of the range of projects and funding that have led to the development of the [Convict Landscapes mapping portal](#). Dr Tuffin demonstrated the mapping for both Port Arthur and Van Diemen's Land, which locates convicts and convict places across time and space.

The project methodology and possible application of the data for the protection of heritage places were discussed.

The Chair thanked Dr Tuffin for his excellent presentation.

## 1.6 Strategic and Policy Matters

### 1.6.1 Discussion Paper – Shipwreck Protection and the *Historic Cultural Heritage Act 1995*

**Move: David Gatenby Second: Jennifer Jones-Travers**  
**20210818/3 Resolved:**

**That the Tasmanian Heritage Council:**

1. Note the discussion paper on Shipwreck Protection and the *Historic Cultural Heritage Act 1995*; and
2. Note the intent to undertake further research on this matter.

### 1.6.2 Tasmanian Heritage Council Appeals Policy

**Move: Philip Mussared Second: Kathryn McCann**  
**20210818/4 Resolved:**

**That the Tasmanian Heritage Council:**

Approve the *Managing Registration and Works Appeals under the Historic Cultural Heritage Act 1995 – Policy and Procedures*

### 1.6.3 Tasmanian Heritage Council Compliance and Enforcement Policy

**Move: Peter Scott Second: Mary Duniam**  
**20210818/5 Resolved:**

**That the Tasmanian Heritage Council:**

APPROVE the Compliance and Enforcement Historic Cultural Heritage Act 1995 - Policy and Procedures, with agreed amendments to sections 3 & 4, and Appendix 1.

Genevieve Lilley, Chair of the Heritage Council's Works Committee, expressed her sincere thanks to the staff of Heritage Tasmania for their work on formulating this policy.

### 1.6.4 Membership – Archaeological Advisory Panel

**Move: Jennifer Jones-Travers Second: Kathryn McCann**  
**20210818/6 Resolved:**

**That the Tasmanian Heritage Council:**

Appoint Simon Angilley to the Tasmanian Heritage Council's Archaeological Advisory Panel.

### 1.6.5 Discharging national Trust Covenants

**Move: Peter Scott Second: Deidre Wilson**  
**20210818/7 Resolved:**

**That the Tasmanian Heritage Council:**

1. NOTE the content of the attached Options Paper with respect to the discharging of National Trust covenants;
2. Authorises the Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson of the Tasmanian Heritage Council, and Director Heritage Tasmania (position 708695) to discharge covenants referred to in Schedule 3(3) of the *National Trust Act 2006* by agreement with the landowner, where the place is also entered on the Tasmanian Heritage Register; and
3. Authorises the Chairperson and/or Deputy Chairperson of the Tasmanian Heritage Council and/or the Chairperson of the Tasmanian Heritage Council's Works Committee to provide or refuse consent on behalf of the Council in

respect of matters for which the Council's consent is required pursuant to the terms of any covenant referred to in Schedule 3(3) of the *National Trust Act 2006*, subject to this decision being consistent with decisions made under Part 6 of the *Historic Cultural Heritage Act 1995*.

With discussion of potential changes to the *Historic Cultural Heritage Act 1995*, it was agreed that recommendations for legislative amendments be provided to the October Heritage Council meeting for consideration.

#### 1.4.1 Visit from the Hon Roger Jaensch MP, Minister for Heritage

The Hon Roger Jaensch MP, Minister for Heritage and Senior Advisor, Lauryn Smith joined the meeting.

Members introduced themselves to Minister Jaensch, who went on to speak about the importance of identifying and telling the story of Tasmania's history in a compelling, coherent and consistent manner.

The Minister is keen to explore how heritage intersects across his portfolio areas, including Aboriginal and historic heritage, local government and planning, and environment, and would like input from the Heritage Council for that.

He is also looking for a unifying mission for management of heritage in Tasmania, across all tenures/sectors.

The meeting broke for lunch from 1.00 – 1.30pm. Former members, Danielle Gray, Frazer Read and Alex van der Hek joined the group for lunch. Their respective terms on the Heritage Council had expired during 2020 and as a result they had not been farewelled in person. The Chair thanked them for their contributions to the Heritage Council and its committees.

## 2. **MATTERS FOR DECISION**

### 2.1 **Works Matters**

#### 2.1.1 Albert Hall Redevelopment Project

Scott Balmforth, Lucy Burke-Smith and Sam Tucker, from the Albert Hall Redevelopment project team joined the meeting via videoconference. Scott provided the meeting with an overview of the proposed redevelopment, noting that the application is likely to be lodged in the near future. In responding to a question from the Chair, Lucy advised that the proposal has responded well to the heritage values of the place.

### 2.2 **Registration Matters**

Items 2.2.2 – 2.2.3 were brought forward on the agenda and considered together.

#### 2.2.2 – 2.2.3 Permanent entry to the THR – ST Thomas' Anglican Church, Avoca and Permanent removal of duplicate THR

**Move:** Genevieve Lilley **Second:** Philip Mussared

**20210818/8 Resolved:**

**That the Tasmanian Heritage Council:**

1. APPROVE the permanent entry in the Heritage Register of a revised entry for St Thomas' Anglican Church (THR#12016), 9 Falmouth St, Avoca as per the datasheet and the boundary plan provided in Attachment 5.
2. APPROVE the intention to remove St Thomas' Anglican Church, 9 Falmouth St, Avoca (THR#4880; Attachment 2) from the Tasmanian Heritage Register,

pursuant to s22 (1A) (c) of the *Historic Cultural Heritage Act 1995* on the basis that this entry is duplicated or substantially duplicated by the replacement entry for St Thomas Anglican Church, Avoca (THR #12016, and subsequently writing to owners and planning authorities pursuant to s22(5) (a) and s22 (6)).

3. Note the intention to issue a Certificate of Exemption for loan of four items to the Avoca Museum and Information Centre.
4. APPROVE the removal of the duplicate entry for Huon Manor (THR7152), 2-4 Short Street, Huonville, from the Tasmanian Heritage Register, pursuant to s25 of the *Historic Cultural Heritage Act 1995*, and subsequently writing to owners and planning authorities of this decision pursuant to s26(a).

#### 2.2.1 Provisional replacement entry to the THR – Victoria Dock and Constitution Dock

Annita Waghorn provided the meeting with an overview of the proposed provisional entry, which will replace existing separate entries for Victoria Dock and Constitution Dock (inc. Bridge and Crane). The meeting discussed the significance of these places and the open water nature of the docks.

**Move:** Genevieve Lilley **Second:** Mary Duniam

**20210818/9 Resolved:**

**That the Tasmanian Heritage Council:**

1. APPROVE the provisional entry for Victoria Dock and Constitution Dock, on parts of Lot 1 Franklin Wharf and 3 Argyle Street, Hobart (THR 12022) – as per the Boundary Plan and the Datasheet provided in Attachment 1 – which will replace the existing Tasmanian Heritage Register entries for THR 10182 Victoria Dock and THR 10184 Constitution Dock (incl. Bridge and Crane).

Peter Scott voted against the resolution.

### 3. **OTHER BUSINESS**

#### 3.1.1 Any other business

Nil

#### 3.1.2 Meeting review

Members agreed that the meeting with Minister Jaensch had been positive and engaging, and they are looking forward a productive working relationship.

Members also agreed that the presentation from Dr Richard Tuffin on the UNE convict landscapes mapping project had been excellent and that it was important to promote access to this data where possible.

### 4. **NEXT MEETING**

#### 4.1 **Date of next meeting:**

- Strategic Planning Workshop: 10.00am – 3.00pm, Tuesday 19 October 2021 - putalina/Oyster Cove room, Parliament Square, 4 Salamanca Place, Hobart
- Regular, bi-monthly meeting: 9.00am – 1.00pm, Wednesday 20 October 2021 – Derwent Valley Boat House, New Norfolk Rowing Club, 11 Ferry Street, New Norfolk

Meeting concluded at 2.20pm.

**Meeting No 20210818  
Held on 18 August 2021**

**Signed as a correct record**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Brett Torossi', with a large, stylized flourish extending to the right.

Brett Torossi  
**Chair**

20 October 2021