



Indigenous Due Diligence Statement

This statement is prepared in conjunction with information sourced from, but not limited to, the NSW Department of Environment & Heritage and the NSW Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water

Proposed Development: Installation of 'Manufactured Home' forming Dual Occupancy
Address of Proposal: 212 – 218 The Driftway LONDONDERRY
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Introduction

The development site is located within the area of the Local Aboriginal Land Council area. The generic due diligence process outlined in the *Due Diligence Code of Practice for the Protection of Aboriginal Objects in NSW* has been undertaken to ensure that an adequate due diligence process that addresses Aboriginal cultural heritage issues has been undertaken. This process follows the following five steps:

1. Will the activity disturb the ground surface?

The proposed installation of the new dwelling will only disturb the ground at the location as the result of new pier pads supporting the dwelling along with some small trenches for the purpose of stormwater and sewer connections.

As a result of this there will be virtually no ground disturbance as a result of the proposed installation method.

2. (a) Search of AHIMS database

In accordance with the code, an online search was carried out of the Aboriginal Heritage Information Management Service (AHIMS) that is maintained by the NSW Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water. This search is part of the due diligence process and remains valid for 12 months.

A search of Lot 25 / DP 21883 was performed on April 16th 2021. The search covered a buffer area of 50 metres. The search results are:

An advanced search of the site covered 50 metres outside the property boundary where the proposed shed rebuild is situated.

There are NO Aboriginal sites recorded in or near the selected location, and
There are NO Aboriginal places that have been declared in or within 50 metres of the selected location

It is noted that surveys for Aboriginal objects have not been carried out in all parts of NSW and Aboriginal objects may exist on a parcel of land even though they have not been recorded in the AHIMS database.

Further, not all known Aboriginal sites are registered on the AHIMS database and not all sites consist of physical evidence or remains, eg. Dreaming and ceremonial sites.

2. (b) Activities in area where landscape features indicate the presence of Aboriginal objects

The area of the proposal is in the middle of a well-established rural residential area approximately 3 kilometres from Richmond. This area has been subject to development for a number of years and this proposal is highly unlikely to create any disturbance to any unknown Aboriginal object.

However, given there will be no great disturbance to the ground the risk of damage to any unknown object would be minimal.

3. Can you avoid harm to the object or disturbance of the landscape features?

The site of the proposal has been used for rural residential purposes for many years now and was more than likely farming land prior to the rural / residential subdivision.

It does however not possess significant landscape features that would indicate any Aboriginal objects and the proposal is minor as far as ground works are concerned.

4. Desktop assessment and visual inspection

A desktop assessment has been carried out by an investigation of Aboriginal Objects listed in the AHIMS website. Neither the AHIMS search or a visual inspection of the site revealed the presence of any object or items of Aboriginal origin.

5. Further investigation and impact assessment

No further investigations, such as an extensive search of *AHIMS* records, are deemed necessary given there are no recorded sites or places at Lot 25 / DP 21883 or within the 50 metres buffer surrounding Lot 25

However, council may impose a condition of consent to comply with provisions of the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974 should any evidence of Aboriginal occupation be found during site works. An Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit may be required if indigenous heritage objects are found.