

Kew Residential Services Site Preliminary Site Report Boroondara KRS Working Group

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7.0 CULTURAL HERITAGE REPORT

A heritage assessment of the site has been undertaken by Biosis Research Pty Ltd. A conservation management plan is currently being prepared by Bryce Raworth Pty Ltd in accordance with the Burra Charter, which will assess the architectural significance of all of the buildings and structures on the site and the cultural value of the historic trees and landscape.

Aboriginal Sites

A visit to the site with representatives of the Aboriginal Community occurred on 7 August 2001. One Aboriginal site has been recorded – a scarred tree known as the corroboree tree, which is marked by a plaque and shelter.

Three areas of Aboriginal archaeological potential were identified during the survey. These areas would require further investigation or archaeological monitoring in the event of their disturbance and prior to any development, in order to determine if archaeological relics or sites are preserved. The three areas of archaeological potential are located:

- One is located in the south west corner of the property where an under-story of indigenous grass survives in an otherwise altered landscape of exotic trees.
- The second area of Aboriginal archaeological potential is located among mature red gum trees on the east of the site.
- The third is an area on the north west corner of the site where the largest of the remaining red gum stands and has been extensively modified.

These areas would require further investigation or archaeological monitoring in the event of their disturbance and prior to any development, in order to determine if archaeological relics or sites are preserved.



Non-Aboriginal Historical Archaeological Sites

There are no current listings with Heritage Victoria or the Australian Heritage Commission for the site.

Representatives of Heritage Victoria have inspected the site and do not believe that Heritage Victoria will have a further interest in registering any buildings, although some early buildings may be of local or regional significance and could warrant protection under the local planning scheme.

The Bryce Raworth study will indicate if any buildings or parts of the site warrant heritage protection.