



**Public Statements
Ordinary Council Meeting
5 May 2020**

Note: Statements will be read in the order they were received as per table below.

Statements:

C2 - Draft Local Planning Policy 3.1 - Additions and Amendments to the Local Heritage Survey, Heritage List and Heritage Areas – Adoption Post Advertising
Jackie Greenshields – 97 Salisbury Street Subiaco

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Item C2 Draft Local Planning Policy 3.1 - Additions and Amendments to the Local Heritage Survey, Heritage List and Heritage Areas – Adoption Post Advertising*

Dear CEO

As a resident who has had direct experience with the listing of two Heritage Areas in the City of Subiaco (Salisbury/Rupert Street and Kings Road), I would like to state how dismayed and disappointed I was to see an additional step added, that could preclude a **'formal assessment'** of a City nominated Heritage Area.

A Heritage Assessment of a local heritage place/ areas ensures that assessments are ... ***accountable, comparable and consistent*** ... and adhere to best practice in their identification.

Why is the City wanting to remove what is best practice throughout WA?

When our streets were nominated (2016 & 2017), the 'formal assessment' document was a very **important** 'first step' in the process for the community & owners.

For many owners, this was the very **first time** they had EVER read about the cultural significance / history of their home or the individual components that collectively formed their streetscape or cultural significant environment.

In the case of the Salisbury / Rupert heritage area in 2017, the formal assessment uncovered the rich history of 'Avro House' at the end of our street. (a private hospital especially established for returned soldiers with mental illnesses and intimately linked to the history Lemnos Hospital. It's architect 'William Wolfe' also designed His Majesty's Theatre.)

This 'formal assessment' (provided at the beginning of the heritage area nomination), was a very enlightening report, which was then followed up by the City of Subiaco very informative workshop/s, presentations, Q&A sessions with planners and heritage staff ... before the home owners made a final submission to Council.

Without this formal assessment document, none of the above opportunities would be afforded to the home owners.

It has been great policy in the past that ensured that ALL Heritage Area Assessments were and are***accountable, comparable and consistent*** ...

10 Heritage Areas (2013-2018)

If a group of properties can be considered suitable to be designated a Heritage Area by the City of Subiaco, then they should be formally assessed at the beginning of the process ... as the City has done for all of these 9 x Heritage Areas dating from 2013 to 2018

- Rokeby Road & Hay Street Heritage Area (2013)
- Kershaw Street Heritage Area
- Kings Road Heritage Area

- Chester's Subdivision Heritage Area
- Duke Street Heritage Area
- Salisbury & Rupert Street Heritage Area
- Union and Redfern Street Heritage
- Hamersley Road Group Heritage
- Sadlier & Redfern Street Heritage Area
- Salisbury & Rupert Heritage Area (2017)

Same Assessment

Below is an example of the Salisbury/ Rupert 'formal assessment '.

<https://www.subiaco.wa.gov.au/CityofSubiaco/media/City-of-Subiaco/Planning-and-development/Heritage-buildings-and-places/19-57943-Heritage-Area-Assessment-Kings-Road-Subiaco.pdf>

Further Objections

Over the past few months, I have been liaising with and collecting other council's Heritage Policies.

Not one of them has a pre-survey which determines whether a formal assessment goes ahead!!!

WA Legal Requirements

This additional survey step is contrary with State Governments Policy and Legislation!

A **City** has a requirement to consider designating a 'Heritage Area' in accordance with Part 3 of Schedule 2 of the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015 .

Other WA Councils

Across the Councils I researched, they all had a process whereby a heritage or character retention area could be nominated by the

- a) the City or
- b) the community.

City of Vincent Policies

https://www.vincent.wa.gov.au/Profiles/vincent/Assets/ClientData/Documents/Develop_Build/Planning/Character_Retention/Policy_7_5_15_-_Character_Retention_Areas_and_Heritage_Areas.pdf

<https://www.vincent.wa.gov.au/documents/763/762-heritage-management-assessment>

Examples from City of Vincent's Policy

"Where the City has undertaken a Heritage Assessment of any area and is satisfied it is suitably qualified to be designated as a Heritage Area **following a Heritage Assessment.**"

Community Nomination

"Where a nomination has been received from the community for a Heritage Retention Area in accordance with (1) of this policy and the City is satisfied the area is suitably

qualified to be designated as a Heritage Area **following a Heritage Assessment;**”

Qualification

“If an area qualifies as a Heritage Area, the City will consult with affected landowners on the designation prior to making a recommendation to Council on whether to proceed in accordance with Part 3 of Schedule 2 of the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015.”

Thanks for opportunity to provide a statement.

Other information

Fremantle

“The most recent Heritage Area was adopted in 2018. The City commissioned consultants to review this area and make recommendations as to its significance and if it warranted adoption as a Heritage Area. The statement of significance for this area is as follows:...”

Gina Binet

Heritage Project Officer

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Cambridge <https://www.cambridge.wa.gov.au/files/assets/public/documents-and-files/aaa-corporate-documents-and-plans/local-planning-policy-1.7-amending-the-local-heritage-survey-heritage-list-and-heritage-areas.pdf>