

Wyndham City Council Attn: Town Planning Department PO Box 197 Werribee VIC 3030

17 September 2022

To whom it may concern,

RE: Proposed Subdivision, 50 Galvin Road, Werribee- Matters relating to the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006*

Baycrown Property Group has requested Jem Archaeology Pty Ltd to provide you with clarification regarding the legislative requirements under the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006* and the *Aboriginal Heritage Regulations 2018* for the proposed subdivision at 50 Galvin Road, Werribee (hereafter referred to as the 'activity area').

Under the Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006 and the Aboriginal Heritage Regulations 2018, the preparation of a Cultural Heritage Management Plan (CHMP) is mandatory for any project in which the proposed activity is a high impact activity, and the activity area is situated within a mapped area of cultural heritage sensitivity. If the land within an area of cultural heritage sensitivity has been subject to previous significant ground disturbance, then that area of land is no longer considered to be an area of cultural heritage sensitivity.

The activity area is approximately 9.07 hectares in size and comprises land contained within 50 Galvin Road, Werribee. The activity area is bounded by Galvin Road to the north, Josephine Street, Bruxner Street, Mansfield Drive and private properties to the south and private properties to the east and west. Recent satellite imagery indicates that the activity area currently comprises extensive planted trees and a dwelling and shedding complex.

It is my understanding that the client is proposing to subdivide the land. Under the *Aboriginal Heritage Regulations 2018*, the proposed activity is considered to be a high impact activity as it involves the subdivision of land (r.49).

Under the Aboriginal Heritage Regulations 2018 the activity area is not located within an area of cultural heritage sensitivity (Figure 1).

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Figure 1: Location and extent of activity area (blue). Note the absence of areas of cultural heritage sensitivity (green).

Whilst the proposed activity is a high impact activity (r.49) the activity area is not situated within an area of cultural heritage sensitivity. Therefore, *there is no requirement* under the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006* and the *Aboriginal Heritage Regulations 2018* for a Cultural Heritage Management Plan (CHMP) to be prepared for this project.

Kind regards,

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