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Dear Mr Tyrrell

Notice of Intention to consider listing on the State Heritage Register of:

Item: Lindfield Learning Village, formerly William Balmain Teachers College
Address: 100 Eton Road, Lindfield

I am writing to advise that the Heritage Council of NSW resolved, at its meeting of 4 September 2019, to give notice of its intention to consider listing **Lindfield Learning Village, formerly William Balmain Teachers College** on the State Heritage Register in acknowledgement of its heritage significance to the people of New South Wales. This advice is in accordance with section 33(1)(a) of the *Heritage Act 1977 (NSW)*.

Any members of the community, owners, managers, organisations or other interested parties are invited to make a written submission regarding the proposed listing and significance of **Lindfield Learning Village, formerly William Balmain Teachers College**. Submissions should be posted or emailed to the Heritage Council of NSW at the following address during the public submission period commencing on **11 September 2019** and closing on **3 November 2019**:

Heritage Council of NSW
Locked Bag 5020
PARRAMATTA NSW 2124
heritagemailbox@environment.nsw.gov.au

Please note that the Heritage Council is unable to accept submissions received after the above closing date.

Lindfield Learning Village, formerly William Balmain Teachers College may have state heritage significance for its historic values as a purpose designed and built Teacher's College of a scale previously unheard of in the history of Teacher Education until its 1968 design and construction.

Lindfield Learning Village, formerly William Balmain Teachers College is potentially of state heritage significance for its historically important role in the development of Architecture in Australia in the second half of the Twentieth Century. The campus may also be historically significant for its contribution to landscape architecture in Australia and as an early example of the indigenous landscape design ethos.

The Lindfield Learning Village Lindfield Learning Village, formerly William Balmain Teachers College example of Neo -Brutalist architecture combined with the influence of the Sydney School architecture on a large scale and applied to a concrete building. The campus is one of

the most expressive examples of the 1960-70s Neo-Brutalist buildings, its brutalism being moderated by the way in which the campus was designed to respond to the topography and bushland setting. The campus may be of state heritage significance as an outstanding example of design giving close attention to the role of the building as an educational facility, and the way in which spatial planning could facilitate interaction between students and teaching staff.

Lindfield Learning Village, formerly William Balmain Teachers College is potentially of state heritage significance for its important associations with government and private practice architects and landscape architects including David Turner and Peter Stronach. The association of Bruce Mackenzie and Alan Correy with the campus are particularly significant, as the campus retains the ability to clearly demonstrate the landscape design and construction techniques associated with the work of these influential landscape architects. The site is a major example of the application of Mackenzie's philosophy of building carefully within a pristine natural environment rather than clearing the site and creating an 'artificial' natural landscape.

The building in its landscape setting may also be of state heritage significance for its ability to demonstrate design philosophies and construction techniques associated with Neo Brutalism and Sydney School architecture popular in the 1970s. It is a rare and representative example of public architecture in the Neo-Brutalist style tempered by the architectural and landscape design influences of the Sydney School of Architecture. It is widely well regarded by members of the architecture profession having won various industry awards for its design and construction. A copy of the draft curtilage map for this item is enclosed for your reference. Further details on the nominated item, the State Heritage Register, listing criteria, making a submission and the benefits of listing can be viewed on the Heritage website at:

<http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/heritageapp/NominationsOfStateHeritageRegister.aspx>

If you have any questions, require further information, or if you do not have internet access and would like paper copies of the documents referred to above, please do not hesitate to contact Mary Ann Hamilton, Senior Heritage Operations Officer at the Heritage, Department of Premier and Cabinet on (02) 9873 8565 or Maryann.hamilton@environment.nsw.gov.au

Yours sincerely



Cheryl Brown
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Heritage Northern Region
Department of Premier and Cabinet
As Delegate of the Heritage Council of NSW
13 September 2019



State Heritage Register - Proposed Curtilage for Investigation:
 Lindfield Learning Village (under consideration). Plan: 3243
 100 Eton Road, Lindfield

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Scale: 1:2,357 @A4
 Datum/Projection: GCS GDA 1994
 Date: 13/08/2019



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-  Proposed Curtilage
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