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Subject: Block 2 Section 4 Parkes – Anzac Park East Redevelopment

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What Works Approval application are you making a submission for?

- WA102975 - Construction of a new commercial office building, - WA102646 – Construction of a mixed-use residential development

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We note and endorse the overall assessment by EMAA that:

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We appreciate the very considerable efforts made by the proponents of the project to consult with relevant community stakeholders in its development. The Trust was invited to join and subsequently participated in a community panel which met many times over the past several years. It is our assessment that the feedback of panel members was taken seriously by the proponent and, wherever possible, incorporated in the final project design. We are pleased that significant consultation occurred with the National Capital Authority in relation to the national capital aspects of the redevelopment, including the vistas.

The Trust wishes to support the application for Works Approval on the basis that we consider the proposed redevelopment respects and in some areas enhances the important heritage aspects of this site.

Finally, and we note that this is not relevant to this application for Works Approval, we ask that all steps necessary

are taken to ensure the Anzac Park West Redevelopment is progressed promptly and, when it occurs, is wholly consistent and complementary to Anzac Park East.

It would be unsatisfactory in the extreme were the former site to remain vacant for an extended period of time and, when completed, not be in harmony with the building opposite. This is an iconic part of the national capital and the public interest in the future of this site must be paramount in any future consideration.

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I have read and understood the submission terms and conditions above.

Yes

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