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Re: D/2015/627/B, 202 Hereford Street, FOREST LODGE NSW 2037
Attention Mr. Joe Wang

Dear Mr. Wang

The Glebe Society makes this submission in relation to the above development application.

Number 202 Hereford Street Forest Lodge is located within the Hereford and Forest Lodge Heritage Conservation Area (HCA) and is classified as "Contributory" in the Building Contributions Map within the City of Sydney Development Control Plan (DCP). It is a pair with the neighbouring house at 200 Hereford Street and part of a long row of Contributory buildings.

The General Heritage provisions of the DCP require that "*changes should be based on understanding heritage significance*" and include the objective that development should "*enhance the character and heritage significance of heritage conservation areas*".

Clause 3.9.6 (4) of the DCP provides that development within a Heritage Conservation Area is to be consistent with policy guidelines contained in the Heritage Inventory Assessment Report for the individual conservation area.

The Heritage Inventory Assessment Report for the Heritage and Forest Lodge Heritage Conservation Area includes under:

PROTECTION OF SIGNIFICANCE

- Retain and enhance the collective value of terraces
- Reinstate front fences and lost detail

SPECIFIC POLICIES include:

- Remove non original features, particularly if they conceal original detail, and
- Restore detail to evidence, and
- For Residential Development in Intact Streetscapes - Encourage recovery of the original character during renovations and building upgrade, new fencing should be appropriate to the period - Encourage open palisade and picket fences which reinforce the original character of the house and the streetscape - Encourage open fences which enhance the garden setting of Glebe

The original front fence of 202 Hereford Street has been replaced by a modern brick wall (see Figure 1 below). The Heritage Impact Statement which accompanies the application is quite wrong in its statement that *the proposed front gate will match the existing. It is in keeping with the existing streetscape characteristics of Hereford and Forest Lodge Heritage Conservation Area*. As noted above the detail of the original fence survives on 200 Hereford Street which was built as a pair with number 202. The house forms part of a long row of Contributory buildings whose front fences survive.

Recommendation

That in accordance with the management principles of the Hereford and Forest Lodge HCA Heritage Inventory Assessment Report a condition of the DA be that the obtrusive modern brick wall be removed and replaced by a palisade fence based on the surviving fence on the neighbouring property at 200 Hereford Street.



Figure 1 202 Hereford Street was built as a pair with 200 Heritage Street. 202 Hereford Street has a modern high brick wall on the street which should be replaced by a copy of the palisade fence of its neighbour



Figure 2 The house is part of a long row of Contributory buildings which have intact front fences

Yours faithfully

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