PRESENT:
Cr Kevin Myers (Chairperson), Cr Jeff Hall, Cr Adriaan Sakko, and Cr Steve Wilkinson

IN ATTENDANCE:
Peter Graves, Director – Development & Environmental Services
Joel Taggart, Manager – Development Services
Meridee Jensen, Strategic Development Projects Officer
Melissa Marschall, Minute Secretary

COMMENCEMENT AND WELCOME: 1.00 PM
The Chairperson welcomed all members.

APOLOGIES:
Nil.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:
Nil.

CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:
(Page 425 – 8/12/2016)
434/1 Cr Sakko moved that the Minutes of the Mid Murray Council Strategic Planning and Development Policy Committee Meeting held on 8 December, 2016, be taken as read and confirmed.
Seconded Cr Hall.
CARRIED.

STRATEGIC PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT POLICY REPORT:
See Minute Book Pages 437 - 441.

434/2 Cr Sakko moved that the report be received.
Seconded Cr Wilkinson.
CARRIED.
STRATEGIC PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT POLICY REPORT CONT’D:

Planning Policy Program Update

435/1 Cr Hall moved that it be recommended to Council that assistance of the Mayor be sought to lobby the State Government/Minister for Planning to expedite current Development Plan Amendments in order of the following priority-

1. SBC River Murray Zone DPA
2. Southern Heritage Places DPA
3. Walker Avenue DPA.

Seconded Cr Wilkinson.

CARRIED.

Northern Heritage DPA

Joel advised that a quote is forthcoming for the Northern Heritage DPA and that a budget bid will be prepared as part of the 2017/18 budget process.

Update on State Heritage Listing – Mannum Institute

435/2 Cr Sakko moved that it be recommended to Council that the State Heritage Listing application for the Mannum Institute be placed on hold until further discussions can occur with the Mannum History Group and Council’s consultant, Flightpath Architects.
Seconded Cr Wilkinson.

CARRIED.

Update on National Heritage List Nominations (Morgan Wharf and Mannum Dry Dock)

435/3 Cr Hall moved that it be recommended to Council that the National Heritage list applications for the Morgan Wharf and the Mannum Dry Dock be supported.
Seconded Cr Sakko.

CARRIED.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Planning Reforms

General discussion ensued on planning reforms and future reports/workshops with the Committee and Council.

NEXT MEETING:

To be held in the Council Chambers, Main Street, Cambrai on Tuesday, 18 April 2017, commencing at 1.00pm.
CLOSURE:

1.41 PM  The Chairperson declared the meeting closed.

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CHAIRPERSON

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DATE
A. Planning Policy Program Update

Reporting Officer  
Joel Taggart

Position  
Manager – Development Services

Please find attached an update on the current status of Council’s Planning Policy Program.

Refer Appendix A.
B. **Update on State Heritage Listing – Mannum Institute**

**Reporting Officer**
Joel Taggart

**Position**
Manager – Development Services

**Report Purpose**

To inform the Committee about the progress of the State Heritage Listing proposal for the Mannum Institute.

**Introduction/Background**

As Committee Members may be aware, Council has had an interest in nominating this building for a State Heritage Listing for some time now. The aim of this has largely been to recognise the history of this building, the importance that it has played to Mannum and to try and promote and capitalise on its prominent position on the Main Street of Mannum.

In recent months, staff and Council’s Heritage Consultant, Flightpath Architects, have been reviewing the history of the building and assessing the role that it plays in the current Mannum Main Street environment. To this effect, a report has been prepared by Flightpath Architects, which considers the heritage of the Mannum Institute, and considers this against the criteria for State Heritage Listing. A copy of that report was attached as a confidential attachment to the last Strategic Planning and Development Policy Committee (SPDPC) meeting agenda.

**Discussion**

The report prepared by Flightpath Architects provides an interesting overview of the history of the building, however when assessed against the listing criteria for State Heritage Places, it fails to satisfy the criteria adequately. It is the professional recommendation of Flightpath Architects that a State Heritage Listing is therefore unlikely. This is primarily due to the property not being noteworthy at a State level (either through its design or events or people associated with it), when compared with other Institutes around the State. In addition, large structural changes have occurred over the years, and internal access has not been possible, and thus any unique internal features cannot be considered.

Following deliberations about this issue at the last SPDPC meeting late in 2016, it was decided in discussions with Council’s Chief Executive Officer that further research occur into the report prepared by Flightpath Architects and the history of the Mannum Institute. To this effect, staff have been liaising with the Mannum History Group, and have sought comments from them on this topic. Over the last month, the Mannum History Group have been undertaking additional research and developing further justification for State Heritage Listing of the site. This work is ongoing, however they anticipate that they will be able to meet with Council to discuss their research further in March 2017.

Therefore, it is recommended that this project be placed on hold until the Mannum History Group has further researched this proposal.
B. **Update on State Heritage Listing – Mannum Institute cont’d**

**References**

**Community Plan**

**Theme 1: The Natural and Built Environment**
Facilitate an active partnership between Council and Community to:
Theme 1.5 – Actively identify, record and protect sites of historic significance for both Indigenous and European history.

**Theme 3: Economic Development & Tourism**
Aggressively grow the tourism industry sector by:
Theme 3.6 – Working to cooperatively develop, promote, brand, market and recognise existing tourism infrastructure.

**Budget**
There is no cost in lodging the application, however costs associated with engaging the consultant is being covered through existing heritage budget lines.

**Legislation**

**Recommendation**
Moved __________________ Seconded __________________
that it be recommended to Council that the State Heritage Listing application for the Mannum Institute be placed on hold until further discussions can occur with the Mannum History Group and Council’s consultant, Flightpath Architects.
C. Update on National Heritage List Nominations (Morgan Wharf and Mannum Dry Dock)

**Reporting Officer**
Joel Taggart

**Position**
Manager – Development Services

**Report Purpose**
To inform the Committee about the progress of the National Heritage list applications being prepared by Council staff and consultants for the Morgan Wharf and the Mannum Dry Dock.

**Introduction/Background**
Over the last 12-18 months, both Council staff and Elected Members, together with the local community and various interest groups, have identified the need to further promote heritage within the Mid Murray area. One avenue to pursue this has been to nominate two State Heritage listed structures (the Morgan Wharf and Mannum Dry Dock) for the National Heritage list. This list is administered by the Federal Government, and would increase the tourism potential of these sites, provide an additional layer of protection (pursuant to the requirements of the Environment Protection & Biodiversity Act, 1999 (Commonwealth) and potentially allow for increased funding. To this effect, Council has engaged experienced heritage architectural consultants familiar with these sites to prepare National Heritage list nominations in collaboration with Council staff.

**Discussion**
The Federal Government called for nominations for places and items worthy of National Heritage Listing in early December 2016. The Morgan Wharf and the Mannum Dry Dock have previously been identified as having potential to be placed on the National Heritage list, given that they have both been protected by a State Heritage listing for many years. The benefits of this listing include increased legislated protection, improved tourism prospects and potential for additional grant funding. The applications are currently being finalised and will be ready for the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer to sign off on prior to the nomination due date (17/2/17). The Federal Environment Department will review all submissions, however such nominations generally take 2-3 years before any substantial investigation and progress is made.

Further, the Federal Government often dedicates resourcing to particular themes/streams of heritage listing at a particular time – at present, the focus seems to be on natural heritage and sites of archaeological importance. Council will continue to monitor the progress of the nomination and will lobby Federal Members of Parliament to ensure that the proposed Morgan Wharf and Mannum Dry Docks listing progress and are both viewed favourably.

More detailed information on the Morgan Wharf and Mannum Dry Dock nominations will be distributed to members once received from the consultants.
C. **Update on National Heritage List Nominations (Morgan Wharf and Mannum Dry Dock) cont’d**

**References**

**Community Plan**

**Theme 1: The Natural and Built Environment**
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**Theme 3: Economic Development & Tourism**
Aggressively grow the tourism industry sector by:
Theme 3.6 – Working to cooperatively develop, promote, brand, market and recognise existing tourism infrastructure.

Theme 3.12 – Link tourism, regional and economic development and attraction efforts through the development of Mid Murray brand/positioning.

Facilitate an active partnership between Council, Business and Community to:
Theme 3.13 – Build a Strategy for the Riverfront corridor for Mannum that connects, themes and links key infrastructure (both current and proposed).

Theme 3.16 – Build a Riverfront Precinct Strategy for Morgan to develop and market the heritage and rail assets.

**Budget**

There is no cost in lodging the application, however costs associated with engaging the respective consultants are being covered through existing heritage and tourism budget lines.

**Legislation**

Environment Protection & Biodiversity Act 1999 (Commonwealth).

**Recommendation**

Moved __________________ Seconded __________________
that it be recommended to Council that the National Heritage list applications for the Morgan Wharf and the Mannum Dry Dock be supported.

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Joel Taggart
**Manager - Development Services**