CITY OF NEWCASTLE

Minutes of the Briefing Committee Meeting held in the Council Chambers, 2nd Floor City Hall on Tuesday 19 July 2016 at 6.05pm.

PRESENT
The Lord Mayor (Councillor N Nelmes), Councillors D Clausen D Compton, T Crakanthorp, T Doyle, J Dunn, B Luke, M Osborne, S Posniak, A Robinson and S Waterhouse.

IN ATTENDANCE
F Cordingley (Interim Chief Executive Officer), G Cousins (Director Corporate Services), K Liddell (Acting Director Infrastructure), M Blackburn-Smith (Manager Development and Building Services), F Giordano (Manager Legal and Governance), P Moore (Manager Facilities and Recreation), B Johnson (Media Officer), N Baker (Lord Mayor's Chief of Staff), K Sullivan (Council Services/Minutes) and A Leach (Council Services/Webcasting).

APOLOGIES

MOTION
Moved by Cr Luke, seconded by Cr Osborne

The apologies submitted on behalf of Councillors Rufo and Tierney be received and leave of absence granted.

Carried

DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS
Nil.

BRIEFING COMMITTEE REPORTS

ITEM-5 BR 19/07/16 - DRAFT SHEPHERDS HILL CONSERVATION MANAGEMENT PLAN

Kerime Danis from City Plan Heritage consultants provided a briefing on the draft Conservation Management Plan (CMP) under preparation for Shepherds Hill Defence Group.

The CMP will detail the site’s heritage significance, outline the policies to retain significance, identify future use options in accordance with the policies and provide a detailed framework for the maintenance and care to guide Council in the short, medium and long term.

It is anticipated community consultation will occur in late July and following finalisation of the draft CMP a report will be presented to Council in September.

Key aspects presented were:
• Commissioning to Newcastle City Council
• Scope
• The site
• Meetings and site inspections (March, May and June 2016)
• Cottage
• Battery Observation Post
• Gun emplacement
• Tunnels
• Comparative analysis of similar structures
• Uniqueness of Shepherds Hill site
• Significance / Ranking
• Conservation policies
• Adaptive reuse
• Next stages

Councillors were given the opportunity to ask questions.

Questions related to the fabric of the structures and to what extent restoration would be required.

A copy of the presentation was requested by Councillors.

**MOTION**
Moved by Cr Osborne, seconded by Cr Posniak

The briefing be received.  

Carried

The meeting concluded at 6.28pm.