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Mr Brian Vincent Director LGS Enterprises Pty Ltd PO Box 187 STRAWBERRY HILLS NSW 2012

Dear Mr Vincent

I refer to your letter to the Minister for Heritage, the Hon Gabrielle Upton MP, about an appeal under section 70 of the Heritage Act 1977 regarding reconstruction work at Cleveland House. Your letter was referred to the Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) and I have been asked to reply.

Cleveland House is listed on the State Heritage Register as a substantial colonial Georgian house built for a prominent land owner and merchant, Daniel Cooper (emancipist) and attributed to the architect, Francis Greenway (emancipist). It is also the oldest surviving residence of its type in central Sydney.

I understand a copy of your letter of appeal addressed to the Minister was received by OEH in 2018. The appeal sought review of the delegated decision of the Heritage Council of NSW to refuse the s.60 application for the 'reconstruction of east verandah to Cleveland House' on heritage grounds.

As a result of your letter the Heritage Division of OEH took the following action to review our decision:

- The s.60 application and assessment were referred to the Heritage Council Technical Advisory Committee for advice. The reasons for lodging the appeal were considered as part of this process.
- The matter was then referred to the full Heritage Council for their consideration on 4 September 2018. The Heritage Council resolved to endorse the determination made by the Heritage Division (as delegate of the Heritage Council) on 20 April 2017, to refuse the s.60 application.
- We emailed to you on 11 October 2018 to advise of the Heritage Council decision.

The Minister is being briefed about the Heritage Council decision and your appeal, and you will be advised of the outcome in due course. I apologise for the delay in responding.

If you have any further questions about this issue, please contact Shikha Jhaldiyal, Acting Senior Team Leader, Heritage Assessments South, on 98738545 or at shikha.jhaldiyal@environment.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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