

The Hon Penny Sharpe MLC

Minister for Climate Change, Minister for Energy,
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Ms Kylie Winkworth
Ms Jennifer Sanders

By email: jenniferl.sanders@yahoo.com

Dear Ms Winkworth and Ms Sanders

Thank you for your correspondence requesting an interim heritage order for the Powerhouse Museum, its buildings, interiors, and significant movable heritage items and relics, in order to provide time for assessment of their heritage significance.

The Heritage Council of NSW recently completed its assessment of heritage significance. On 8 May 2024, it resolved to make a recommendation to me that the existing State Heritage Register listing of the Ultimo Power House be amended to encompass the Powerhouse Museum Complex. I am aware that the Heritage Council resolved on 4 October 2023 not to include the moveable heritage collection as it is managed by an appropriate statutory body. I will carefully consider this recommendation and decide whether or not to direct the amended listing.

As the State Significant Development project, Ultimo Powerhouse Revitalisation (SSD-67588459), has yet to be determined, I do not consider there to be an imminent threat which would warrant urgent protection mechanisms.

If you have any further questions about this issue, please contact Anna London, Acting Director, Heritage NSW, on 9873 8500 or at heritagemailbox@environment.nsw.gov.au.

Sincerely

Penny Sharpe MLC
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