

From: [Chaston, Daisy](#)
To: [Hekimian, Richard](#)
Subject: To include in the FOI: Majura House
Date: Wednesday, 4 November 2020 3:07:25 PM
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Sent: Friday, 30 October 2020 4:41 PM
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Heritage Registration Process *Heritage Act 2004*

NOMINATION

Nomination Application

Application completeness check

Accepted

Dismissed

PROVISIONAL REGISTRATION

Research and assessment

Decision NOT to provisionally register

Decision to provisionally register

Public consultation

Report to the Minister for Heritage on public consultation

REGISTRATION

Decision to register

Decision NOT to register

*See *Heritage Act 2004* for further information on how above processes accord with legislation

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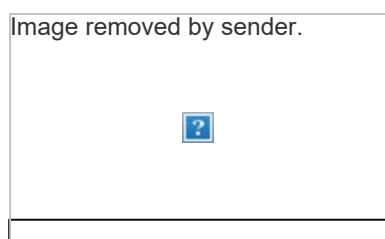
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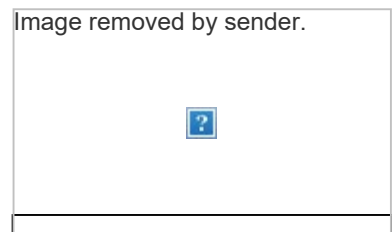
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Daisy, I'm very happy to attend this inspection.

[REDACTED]

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----- Original message -----

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However, nominations represent the initial, threshold stage of the heritage assessment process only. Places and objects can remain 'nominated' for some time, until they are subject to active assessment by the Council, unless an application is made for the Council to make an urgent decision on provisional registration. For urgent applications, once the application is made, and the fee paid, the Council must, as far as practicable, make a decision within 20 working days for a place and 60 working days for a precinct.

Should the Council make a decision to provisionally register a place or object, a four-week period of public consultation ensues. Following a five-month provisional registration period (9 months for a precinct), the Council must make a decision on (final) registration. A decision on (final) registration under section 40 of the Heritage Act is a reviewable decision in the ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal.

Links to factsheets are here:

https://www.environment.act.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0020/1062245/Heritage-Factsheets-How-heritage-is-Registered.pdf

https://www.environment.act.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0017/1062242/Heritage-Factsheets-How-heritage-is-determined.pdf

Hope this helps. Note my details are in the signature block below.

Best regards

Daisy

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From: Gleeson, Mary

Sent: Thursday, 22 October 2020 9:26 AM

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: Majura House

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Thanks [REDACTED]. I will pass your email to the registration team who will be in contact with you about the process.

Best regards

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Hi Mary,

Apologies for the slow reply, [REDACTED]. I hope you've been well. Thank you for providing the guidelines and working copy of the application form.

We are interested in ACT Heritage visiting our property to further progress the nomination to the Heritage Register. What is involved? We are particularly interested in creating a heritage precinct of European and Aboriginal heritage values on the property of Majura House, similar to the [Elm Grove Homestead Precinct](#). What would be the process for an assessment against the heritage significance?

Let me know if you require any further information.

Many thanks,

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On Thu, 20 Aug 2020 at 10:55, Gleeson, Mary <Mary.Gleeson@act.gov.au> wrote:

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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your email inquiring about heritage grant funding for Majura House.

The grant round is usually announced in March each year with applications closing 7-8 weeks later and successful projects announced in August/September.

Attached is the link to the grants page which gives you some background on the grants program should you wish to apply in future rounds. For your convenience I have attached this year's Guidelines and a working copy of the application form. Please note these are for reference only as the Guidelines are updated for each round and the official application is an online Smartform which is not available after the round closes. The Word version, attached, is just for reference to see the information you will need to provide but is not to be used as an application form.

On another note, if you would like a member of ACT Heritage to visit the property to further progress the nomination to the Heritage Register, please let me know and I will pass this on.

Best regards

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