

Use this form to lodge a submission to Heritage Victoria in response to the public notice of a heritage permit under Section 95 of the *Heritage Act 2017*.

Prior to making a submission please read Heritage Victoria's Policy Guideline for Public Notice of Heritage Permit Applications and Submissions Received.

In considering a permit application the Executive Director, Heritage Victoria, considers matters set out under Section 101 of the *Heritage Act 2017* (the Act), which includes all submissions received during the public notice period. Submissions received should relate to the cultural heritage significance of the place or object. Planning matters including amenity, overshadowing of non-heritage properties, noise, traffic and car parking are not matters considered in determining a permit under the Act.

Submit the completed form to Heritage Victoria before midnight on the last date of the public notice period via email at heritage.permits@delwp.vic.gov.au.

Please note:

Submissions received will be treated as a public document and may be provided to persons with an interest in the heritage place or object, including the applicant. This will include your name and contact details.

The advertised permit will not be determined during the notice period.

All submitters will be notified when the permit application is determined and if any future permit amendment applications are received. Please note that where petitions are received only the submitter will be contacted.

1. Application Details	
Place or object name:	Former Hoffman Brickworks
Address or GPS location:	72-106 Dawson Street, Brunswick
Victorian Heritage Register number:	H0703
Permit Application Number:	Permit application P31711
2. Personal Details	
First name:	Tessa
Surname:	Cuxson
Business or organisation name:	

Position title:	
Address (optional):	
Email address:	
Telephone:	

3. Submission Details

Please outline your views about the permit application:

I object to the issuing of a permit and urge the Executive Director, Heritage Victoria to refuse the application.

As has been covered at length in other submissions, the site has significant heritage value and it would be very sad to squander the rare opportunity that exists to preserve it. My husband and I have lived in Brunswick West for five years. I have a family connection to this area going back almost 90 years – my grandfather grew up several streets away from where we live now and in close proximity to the Brickworks. When we bought our house, we were delighted when our conveyancer informed us of the historic covenant that applied to the property – which of course originally intended to protect the Brickworks' commercial interests – that prevented us making bricks on the property. This reinforces how important the Brickworks was to Brunswick. This history should be preserved.

A key issue here is that the intention to preserve the site has already been established. The fact that the developers have thus far neglected their commitments in this regard (despite receiving significant concessions to do so) should not release them from those obligations. Further, based on expert opinion that I have read I am totally unconvinced that remediation is not feasible, as is claimed by the developers.

The planned development of a seven-storey complex would overwhelm the area and detract from the current look of the remaining building and its surrounds. It would be entirely out of keeping with this part of Brunswick.

Apart from losing the opportunity to preserve an important historical site, the demolition would significantly diminish the character of the area and irreversibly impact the cultural heritage of Brunswick and what it can offer to current and future generations. I urge you not to lose this opportunity.

Thank you for making a submission to Heritage Victoria. Please note that submissions received outside the advertised period will not be considered as a formal submission but may be considered under section 101(3) (b) of the Act -'any other relevant matter.'

To obtain a copy of your own lodged submission please contact Heritage Victoria on (03) 7022 6373 or at heritage.permits@delwp.vic.gov.au.