

**Submission
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INQUIRY INTO REVIEW OF THE HERITAGE ACT 1977

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As far as I am concerned, in relation to unsympathetic development on or adjacent to heritage items, the delegations to Council are simply not working. More focus is being given to the Codes SEPP, housing targets, the Low Rise Medium Density Housing Code, pressure from developers etc. rather than heritage or local character.

The Heritage Act is not working in relation to the government either. The situation at Windsor is an absolute disgrace and makes a mockery of an Act of Parliament.

The Heritage Act needs to be strengthened.

The Heritage Act needs to be resourced to provide enforcement and compliance.

We need Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty added to protect rural vistas e.g. the Illawarra Escarpment and Berry Rural Landscape as identified by The National Trust.