

YRA Community Search Conference Proceedings

Summary:

Desire to identify values that could then be used for considering development at the Brickworks.

Principles:

- Yarralumla is a residential suburb;
- retain open space public access; lake side setting and space for people with opportunities for formal/informal interaction;
- ensure viability and vitality of shops;
- sense of place relates to history, clear boundaries, community safety, linkages;
- no major blockbuster/national events i.e. other people using suburb; maintain demographic mix;
- use participatory planning;
- trees, canopy, birds, gardens, wild life corridors;
- limit through traffic;
- no major development along foreshore.

Participants were asked to apply principles to 3 options developed and discussed in meetings in late 2000. Common themes were noted as being:

- Value of brickworks as heritage area
- Development to be kept within 8A
- Minimal housing
- No necessary nexus between cost of brickworks and housing put onto site
- Wooded areas valued
- Floriade not wanted
- Provision for low key arts/cultural/recreational activities
- Prefer sensitive development around Westridge Quarry/Garden and gravel area

Community Values Statement for YBW.

- YBW is a tangible heritage asset of robust industrial character that should not be lost.
- It has industrial, cultural, social, botanical and geological significance.
- Provides an identifiable landmark.
- There are unusual exotic plant species.
- WBG defined development guidelines for the Brickworks.
- The buildings provide a sense of scale, space and grandeur.
- Industrial processes have left unique geological structures.
- Development may help the site sustain its character (not poor quality townhouses).
- A combo of office development and high quality apartments (urban-village mix), recognise the contributions of AR Marr.

Appendix 6

Participants advised that they did not want the following outcomes from development:

- glitzy,
- high rise jungle,
- low-rise, low quality sprawl,
- cheap development, fenced off condominiums or gated communities,
- helicopter station.