

9.0 Management Recommendations

The heritage management options and recommendations provided in this report are made on the following basis:

- Consultation with representatives of the Registered Aboriginal Organisations present at the field assessment, these being:
 - Buru Ngunawal Aboriginal Corporation;
 - Ngarigu Currawong Clan;
 - Mirrabee;
 - King Brown Tribal Group;
- The legal and procedural requirements of ACT Heritage;
- The results of the investigation as documented in this report; and
- Background research into the extant archaeological and historic record for the study area and its surrounding regions.

- 1) The current program has allowed for a better understanding of the cultural deposits located within the study area. The site has now been subject to archaeological investigation of a level appropriate for the type/scale of impacts proposed by the development of the Solar Farm.

The expansion of the PAD areas has resulted in the inclusion of an additional 255m² (approximately) of direct impacts at MV167 in association with the proposed trenching, transformer pad and access track. However, the revised design compensates for this by removing 55.8 m² of trenching and enabling impacts to pockets of higher artefact density to be avoided. The portions of the site to be impacted by the transformer pad and access track have been proven to have low/non existent artefact densities.

A representative sample of the impact area of the site has been salvaged and it is therefore recommended that impacts to MV167 have been mitigated for the current development proposal. No further heritage works are required for the current development.

- 2) Any additional impacts outside of the cable trenching, transformer pad and access track identified in this document, must be subject to additional investigation in the future. The nature of these investigations will vary with the nature of the impacts proposed. As such, the appropriate way forward will need to be provided by ACT Heritage accordingly.
- 3) Solar Share Pty Ltd are committed to ensuring RAOs have access to MV167 for cultural and training purposes now and into the future. A letter detailing this commitment has been included at Appendix D.

- 4) If, during the course of the proposed road improvement works, previously undetected archaeological sites or suspected skeletal remains are located, the processes outlined in the Unanticipated Discovery Plan should be followed.
- 5) All artefacts recovered during the current investigation are to be Returned to Country as soon as practicable. A return to country policy is to be produced in consultation with the RAOs and submitted to ACT Heritage Council within 12 months of the approval of this SHE.
- 6) Copies of this report should be submitted to ACT Heritage and the ACT Heritage Council for consideration and advice.