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Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage  
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Attention: Gail McGowan, Assistant Director General of Heritage Services

Dear Gail,

**Submission on Aboriginal Heritage Act 1972 review**

Thank you for your email received 11 March 2019, inviting the Shire of Manjimup to share their views on the proposals outlined in the Discussion Paper for the protection of Aboriginal cultural heritage in Western Australia.

The Shire of Manjimup considered the content of the Phase 2 review at its Ordinary Council Meeting held 23 May 2019. A broader discussion of the recommendations made to Council on the Aboriginal Heritage Act review can be found under the Agenda & Minutes section on the Shire of Manjimup's website; <https://www.manjimup.wa.gov.au/our-documents/agendas-and-minutes>.

The Shire of Manjimup Council determined to make the following resolution on 23 May 2019 as feedback to Phase 2 of the Aboriginal Heritage Act review.

**COUNCIL RESOLUTION:**

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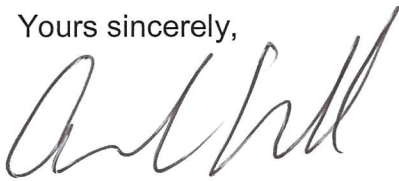
**That Council endorse the Chief Executive Officer lodging a submission on the review of the Aboriginal Heritage Act as outlined within the March 2019 consultation paper shown at Attachment: 9.5.4(1) as follows:**

- 1. The need to ensure that places nominated in accordance with proposal 2 – The extension in scope of Aboriginal Sites are validated and are not the view of a single individual;**
- 2. Support to the establishment of an Aboriginal Heritage Service;**

3. Express concern regarding the potential delays in processing of applications for planning approval due to the referral process; and
4. Express concern regarding the potential additional resourcing implications for local government associated with the referral mechanism as detailed in proposal 5.

Should you have any queries regarding the content of the submission, please feel free to contact Ann Bentley, the Shire's Sustainability Officer on (08) 97717746 or alternatively via email at [ann.bentley@manjimup.wa.gov.au](mailto:ann.bentley@manjimup.wa.gov.au).

Yours sincerely,



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**Chief Executive Officer**  
**SHIRE OF MANJIMUP**