



Notes of site inspection

This site inspection is part of the determination process	
Meeting note taken by: Diana Mitchell (Principal Planning Officer, IPC Secretariat)	
Date: 19/02/2019	Time: 11:30 AM – 12:45 PM
Project: Crown Cemetery Development, Varroville	
Meeting Place: 176 St Andrews Road, Varroville	
Attendees: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dianne Leeson, Panel Chair, IPC• Ross Carter, Panel Member, IPC• Adrian Pilton, Panel Member, IPC• Diana Mitchell, Principal Planning Officer, IPC Secretariat• Sister Jocelyn Kramer, OCD• David De Angelis, Director, NettCorp Pty Ltd• Mick Spicer, Infrastructure Coordinator, Catholic Metropolitan Cemeteries Trust• Fiona Binns, Associate Director (Heritage), Urbis• Ashleigh Persian, Heritage Consultant, Urbis	
Inspection Purpose: The purpose of the site inspection was to understand the physical attributes of the proposed Varroville Cemetery site in the context of the surrounding area, including Varroville Homestead.	
Summary: <p>The site inspection included travelling by 4WD between the following locations on site in order to get an understanding of the site in the context of the surrounding area, the existing condition of the site, and the potential impacts to the surrounding area, including Varroville Homestead.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Main entrance (proposed Site Access A).2. Proposed chapel via location of proposed office.3. Proposed living/outdoor chapel and vineyards in existing contoured trenches via existing track which traverses the eastern site boundary.4. Original carriageway in proximity to outbuildings and outbuildings.5. Main entrance (proposed Site Access A) via location of proposed function room and existing dams. <p>Some questions were asked by the Commissioners of the applicant's representatives during the site visit. These questions and the subsequent answers provided by the applicant's representatives are provided below.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Question: Are graves proposed to be located on the hillside to the north of the proposed chapel?• Answer: No• Question: What are the proposed night-time operations, if any?• Answer: Services would not be held in the chapel at night-time, they would be limited to daylight hours (dawn to dusk). The mortuary, located in the basement of the chapel, would operate 24/7 in those cases where specific religious ceremonies require it, however, the noise and lighting	



RECORD OF SITE INSPECTION

impacts would be minimal.

- Question: How has the landscape design responded to minimising the visual impacts of the proposal?
- Answer: The site has been designed utilising different types of gravestones to minimise the visual impacts from the main internal and external roads, Campbelltown township, Varroville Homestead and the Hume Highway. Lawn burials flush with the lawn would be used on the majority of the site. Low headstones, high headstones and terraced lawn graves would be concealed within 'burial rooms' created by vegetation screening.
- Question: How is site and soil stability to be managed during African Olive weed removal ?
- Answer: Weed removal will progressively occur in small areas followed by replacement native plantings. Stumps and roots will be left in the ground to provide stability while the new vegetation establishes.

Documents: The Department's Assessment Report and Site Masterplan Drawing (L100 Overall Site Plan Rev A)

Outcomes/Agreed Actions: N/A

Site Inspection finished at: 12:45 PM