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cc Minister for Planning and Land Management
Chair, ACT Heritage Council

DA 201936662 Common Ground Dickson: Block 25 Section 72 Dickson

Dear Sir/Madam

The National Trust brings to your attention the fact that the proposed development is on land that was the original Canberra Aerodrome and there remains some physical evidence on the site that has not been fully assessed.

The central ring for the landing ground overlapped two adjoining blocks: Block 25 (the subject of this Development Application) and Block 26, where the dual row of cork trees is now.

This site has had substantial recent research done on it - refer the recent article by Ms Jane Goffman ('Canberra's original aerodrome and first air crash: Dickson's heritage of the air', *Canberra Historical Journal*, issue 84, March 2020). A nomination is in preparation for listing on the ACT Heritage Register.

We request that the consideration of the DA should be deferred until the nomination is considered by the ACT Heritage Council and a decision made.

Yours faithfully

Gary Kent
President
11 April 2020