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Jessica Hood Principal - Heritage Permits Heritage Victoria

Re: St Jude's Anglican Church, Carlton (VHR H0014) Permit Application P36674

This letter was prepared on behalf St Jude's Anglican Church. It addresses the request for further information issued by Heritage Victoria on 4 April of this year, as follows:

It is noted that any approval for installation the Fuller organ in the church gallery would be conditional on a meaningful interpretation outcome for the Fincham organ within the public realm of the extent of registration for St Jude's. To that end, you are required to advise of your intentions regarding options for interpreting the Fincham organ.

A strategy for the interpretation of the fire damaged Fincham organ has been prepared by Pipe Organs Victoria Pty Ltd and submitted along with this letter for your consideration.

The interpretation strategy would see parts of the front decorative casework preserved in a glass display cabinet on the south wall of the narthex, along with photographs, parishioners' relocations of the organ, and a QR code providing a link to organ recordings. The interpretation display will have a high degree of exposure to the congregation and visitors to the church, being that it is located alongside what is now the main point of entry to the nave. It will also showcase the most intact parts of the organ case work retaining evidence of the decorative stencilling.

Overall the proposal is considered to offer a meaningful interpretation outcome, accepting the limitations on the potential for reuse of much of the organ fabric due to its fragile, fire damaged condition and associated health and safety concerns. It should also be noted that the Pipe Organs Victoria interpretation concept is an artist's impression and is not intended to be a final or precise representation of the design.

We would welcome the opportunity to discuss the proposal in further detail at a meeting held on site and will await notification from Jessica Antolino as to her availability.

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