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Positive developments towards the LCC's actualisation

Last week the LDC kicked off works on the future Larrakia Cultural Centre (LCC) site located at Stokes Hill, thanks to environmental consultant's SLR.

SLR was engaged by LDC to undertake an investigation into the conditions of the site of the LCC. As many Territorians are aware, the site has had a history which includes being subject to bombing during WWII and the location of a heritage listed fuel pump station. This history has led to undertake testing for contamination to confirm whether remediation works are required so the site is safe for development as a cultural centre.

If required, remediation of the site will be an important first step to progressing the site works for the LCC. The LDC continues to negotiate with and call upon the Northern Territory Government to assist with the cost of remediation for a site that has been adversely impacted for over 150 years.

The LDC attended the Development Consent Authority meeting on Friday 4 March for presentation of their submission to develop the LCC at Stokes Hill.

Publicly available agenda documents included a recommendation for approval of the development, subject to a number of conditions. Following a positive discussion at the Friday meeting, LDC looks forward to receiving the development permit soon.

The meeting comes after the LCC's development was advertised for comment on the authority's website late last year. It is a positive sign of broad support for the project that there were no public submissions made during the process, nor was there any other submissions made in opposition to the proposed Centre.

The LDC takes considerable pride in working with the LCC Working Group and the community knowing how important pursuing development of the LCC is for Larrakia and the NT community.

This is our opportunity for all Larrakia to share their mob's stories and history in an iconic facility on a significant sacred on the edge of Darwin Harbour

Mark Motlop, LDC Chair

Further details on the LCC can be found on our website www.larrakiaculturalcentre.com.au

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Images from SLR's work on the LCC site: making the sample bores and an example of some of the sample bores.