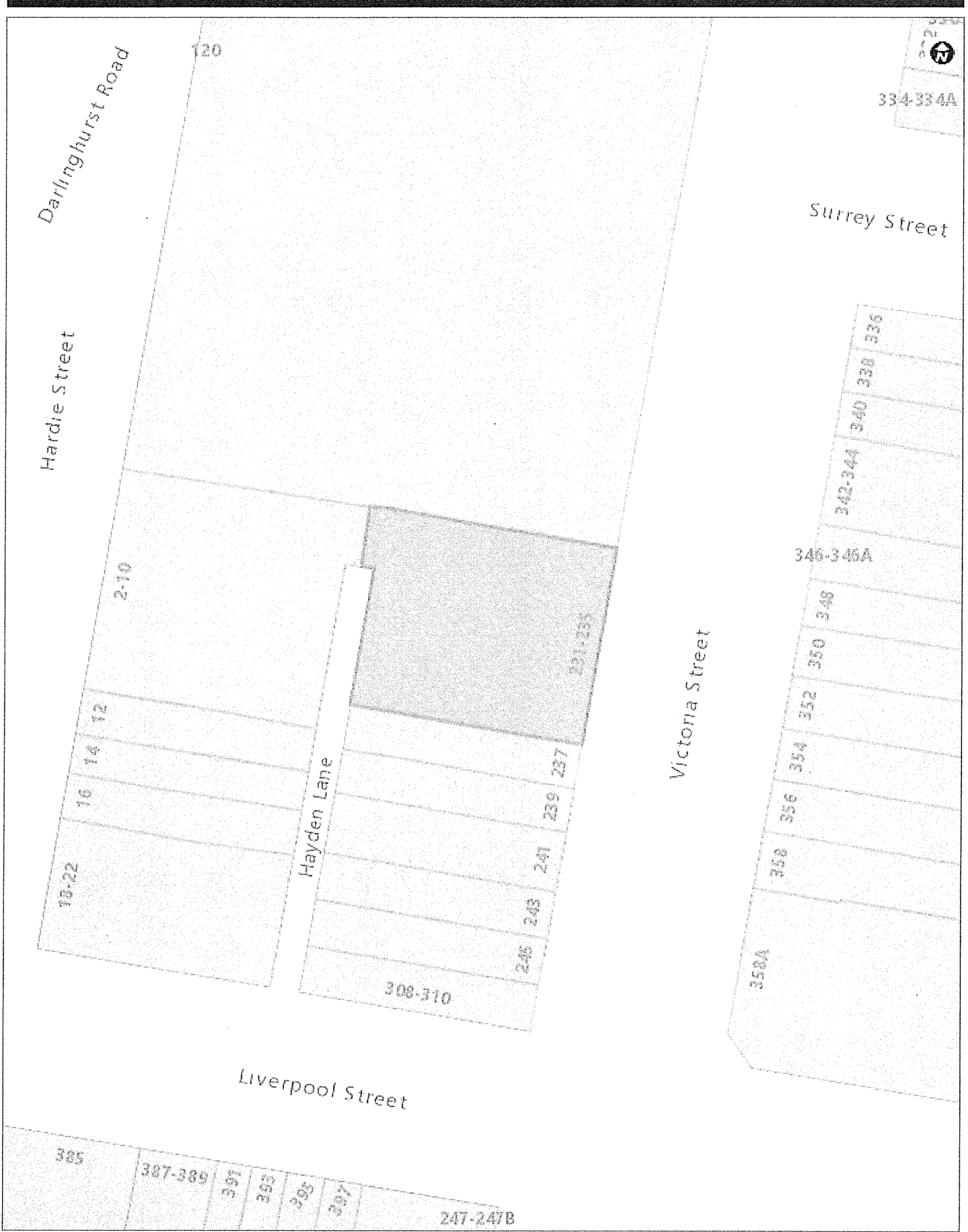
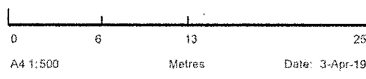


# **Attachment H**

**Inspection Report -  
231-235 Victoria Street, Darlinghurst**



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**Council investigation officer Inspection and Recommendation Report  
Clause 17(2) of Schedule 5, of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act  
1979 (the Act)**

**File:** CSM 2040003

**Officer:** Chad Grant

**Date:** 27 February 2019

**Premises:** 231-235 Victoria Street, Darlinghurst

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**Executive Summary:**

Council received correspondence from the Commissioner of Fire and Rescue NSW (FRNSW) in relation to the subject premises with respect to matters of fire safety.

The premises is located at 231 - 235 Victoria Street Darlinghurst and comprises of a two storey commercial building.

The premises is configured as follows: the ground floor level contains a restaurant known as Lil Darlin, a retail bottle shop known as the Camperdown Cellars and an entrance lobby to the Darlo Country Club. The first floor level of the building contains a restaurant and bar known as the Darlo Country Club which is the subject of this report. The first floor level also contains a small mezzanine approximately 20m<sup>2</sup> in area that is used as an office associated with the operation of the Darlo Country Club.

A recent inspection of the premises was undertaken by a Council investigation officer in the presence of the Darlo Country Club manager revealed that there were no fire safety issues and that the premises are equipped with fire safety systems that would provide adequate provision for fire safety for occupants in the event of a fire.

The building has a current Annual Fire Safety Statement which was on display within the premises at the time of inspection. The building is also listed on Council's essential services electronic register and is currently compliant.

Observation of the external features of the building did not identify the existence of metal composite cladding.

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**Chronology:**

Date	Event
19/02/2019	FRNSW correspondence received regarding the Darlo Country Club located at 231 - 235 Victoria Street Darlinghurst.
27/02/2019	An inspection of the subject premises was undertaken by a Council investigation officer in the presence of the manager of the Darlo Country Club.  The inspection revealed that there were no fire safety issues and that the item raised by FRNSW regarding a missing fire blanket from the kitchen had been resolved.

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**FIRE AND RESCUE NSW REPORT:**

**References:** BFS19/466 (6368) and D19/10044

FRNSW in the presence of NSW Police conducted a proactive inspection of the subject premises on 19 January 2019.

## Issues

The report from FRNSW detailed one issue, being:

1. A fire blanket in the kitchen was missing despite a signpost signifying that a fire blanket was present.

## FRNSW Recommendation

FRNSW have made no direct recommendation within their report other than legislative notification and advised that it is at Council's discretion to inspect and address any other deficiencies identified on the premises.

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### **COUNCIL INVESTIGATION OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Issue Order(NO)	Issue emergency Order	Issue a compliance letter of instruction	Cited Matters rectified	Continue to undertake compliance action in response to issued Council correspondence	Continue with compliance actions under the current Council Order	Other (to specify)

An inspection undertaken by a Council investigation officer in company with the manager of the premises revealed that the above issue identified by FRNSW has been complied with.

It is recommended that Council not exercise its powers to give a fire safety order at this time.

That the Commissioner of FRNSW be advised of Council's actions and determination.

#### **Referenced documents:**

No#	Document type	Trim reference
A1.	Fire and Rescue NSW report	2019/102611-01
A2.	Locality Plan	2019/102611-02
A3	Attachment cover sheet	2019/102611-03

**Trim Reference:** 2019/102611

**CSM reference No#:** 2040003



File Ref. No: BFS19/466 (6368)  
TRIM Ref. No: D19/10044  
Contact: [REDACTED]

15 February 2019

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Attention: Manager Compliance/Fire Safety

Dear Sir / Madam

**Re: INSPECTION REPORT  
"DARLO COUNTRY CLUB"  
231-235 VICTORIA STREET, DARLINGHURST ("the premises")**

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 9.32(1) of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (EP&A Act), an inspection of 'the premises' on 19 January 2019 was conducted by Authorised Fire Officers from the Fire Safety Compliance Unit of Fire and Rescue NSW (FRNSW). The inspection was also conducted in the company of Officers from the NSW Police Force.

The inspection was limited to the following:

- A visual inspection of the essential Fire Safety Measures as identified in this report only.
- A conceptual overview of the building, where an inspection had been conducted without copies of the development consent or copies of the approved floor plans.

Please be advised that details of this inspection have been provided in accordance with Section 9.32(4) of the EP&A Act. Therefore, on behalf of the Commissioner of FRNSW, the following comments are provided for your information in accordance with Schedule 5, Part 8, Section 17(1)(a) of the EP&A Act.

## COMMENTS

The following items were identified at the time of inspection:

### 1. Essential Fire Safety Measures

- 1A. Fire Blankets – The fire blanket in the kitchen was missing despite a signpost signifying that a fire blanket was present. In this regard the fire blanket had been removed from its cover and could not be located.

The Manager assured FRNSW at the time of the inspection that the Fire Blanket would be replaced as a matter of priority.

Should you have any enquiries regarding any of the above matters, please do not hesitate to contact [REDACTED] of FRNSW's Fire Safety Compliance Unit on (02) 9742 7434. Please ensure that you refer to file reference BFS19/466 (6368) for any future correspondence in relation to this matter.

Yours faithfully

[REDACTED]

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Senior Building Surveyor  
Fire Safety Compliance Unit