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## Submission in Support of Heritage Status of Sodwalls Station Cottage 37 Sodwalls Station Rd

Lot 1, DP 783723 SHI No. 1960223 Inventory Sheet B155

## To Whom it May Concern

I wish to make a submission in support of the heritage status of the above property. Apart from the historical information Council has compiled on the cottage's social history and rail history I have further information.

## Former Uses:

I have interviewed members of the Rushworth family who identify as Wiradjuri People. Beryl Rushworth who is now 87 years old gave birth to seven children when she lived in the cottage in the 1950s. The men of the family all worked as railway fettlers.

In 1979 the cottage was used as a drug rehabilitation clinic (information from report written in 2000 for State Rail entitled 'Preliminary Site Investigation'. The report was prepared by HLA Envirosciences, Project No. J1440)

The above report gives the names of lessees who leased the property in the 1980 and 90s. They used the property for farming and residential purposes. The report notes that the railway platform was removed in 1991.

Regards,

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