

# QUALITY CONSERVATION FORUM

**Wednesday 4 November 2015**

**ADELAIDE GAOL**

## INTRODUCTION

Australia ICOMOS (AICOMOS) has been working with the APT Australasia Chapter to promote the concept of an Australian Heritage Quality Framework (AHQF) for sustainable heritage conservation.

An AHQF adopted by Australian heritage stakeholders would provide incentive for improvements in conservation quality by requiring adherence to quality benchmarks and training to achieve higher standards.

At this stage AICOMOS supports the idea of self-certification, with benchmarks for all common conservation works and for self-certification to be mandatory for all statutory conditions of approval or government funding.

An Australian Heritage Quality Framework has the potential to:

- Achieve higher quality conservation works to Australia's heritage places
- Provide property owners with more certainty that physical conservation works to heritage fabric will be carried out using appropriate sustainable methods
- Encourage the development and application of nationally recognised benchmarks for heritage construction projects
- Provide for improved employment opportunities and training in traditional trades.

This workshop will provide a forum to explore how quality measures can be developed and applied to the conservation of heritage fabric.

## DRAFT PROGRAM

1.	9.00 am	Introduction AICOMOS Fabric Conservation Reference Group	Mary Knaggs Australia ICOMOS Executive Committee
2.	9.15 am	Burra Charter Working Group Development of Practice Notes	Sue Hodges AICOMOS Burra Charter Reference Group
3.	9.30 am	Quality Measures and the proposal for a Australian Quality Framework for Sustainable Heritage Conservation	Dr Donald Ellsmore Convenor APT Australasia Chapter
4.	10.00 am	Morning Tea	
5.	10.30 am	Quality Measures: Issues, ideas and examples: - professional practice - treatment of damp - repointing - working with hydraulic lime - roofing - wood and carpentry - landscape conservation	Presenters specialising in each issue to be determined.
6.	1.00 pm	Lunch	
7.	2.00 pm	Facilitated Discussion	
8.	3.30 pm	Afternoon Tea	
9.	4.00 pm	Wrap Up	
10.	5.00 pm	End of Workshop	

## ALL WELCOME BUT PLACES LIMITED

### BOOKING REQUIRED

see <http://www.aicomos.com/2015-fabric/>

### COST

\$30.00 (inc. GST).

### VENUE

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