



# St John's Camden

A unique heritage site under threat

## DIY Petition Kit

The purpose of the petition is to alert all levels of Government to the threat to the NSW State Heritage listed St John's Anglican Church Precinct and ask for their support in ensuring the site is fully protected as required by law.

In NSW the Parliament has rules for petitions, the rules require:

- Petitions contain the names and addresses of petitioners and their own original signatures.
- Signatures must not be posted on, photocopied or transferred in any way.
- Every person signing the petition must write their full address after their signature.

Your role is to collect the name, address and signature of your family, friends, neighbours and visitors on the petition and return the finished petition form(s) by mail to:

Petition  
PO Box 188  
Camden NSW 2570

You should print the attached page on A4 paper and return each page when complete.

The petition is organised by The Friends of Save St John's Precinct Camden. *"The Friends of Save St John's Precinct Camden is a non political collective formed to protect and preserve the NSW State Heritage Register listed area known as the St John's Church Precinct Camden. We will defend the remnant of the Macarthur family gifts to our community and ensure the preservation of our unique heritage for the future."*

If you have questions, you can ask them on the 'Save St John's Precinct' Facebook page.

If you want to know more, you can read the Resources, Press and FactCheck pages at [www.stjohnscamden.info](http://www.stjohnscamden.info)

Some might be concerned the petition is an attempt to stop the building of the new worship centre at St John's. It is not. The existing Development Application for extensions to the 1973 St John's Church Hall (DA 192/2012) is explicitly protected by the State Heritage Register listing exemptions for the precinct.

To assist with the collection of signatures the flyer distributed at the Camden Jacaranda Festival – 23, 24, 25 November 2018 is included below. The flyer is suitable for A4 or A5 printing on a single sheet (double sided).





## **When it's gone, it's gone forever**

### **ACT NOW TO SAVE ST JOHN'S PRECINCT**

**The Anglican Church is proposing to sell vital pieces of the jewel in Camden's crown, the St John's rectory and glebe (paddock).**

St John's Precinct (church, glebe and rectory) was a gift from the Macarthur family to Camden for all time. It was designed by the Macarthur family and Surveyor General Sir Thomas Mitchell to link Camden Park to the privately founded town of Camden (1840) and to be its visual, social and spiritual focus.

**Heritage experts agree the rectory and open space are historically and culturally intrinsic to the NSW Heritage-listed site.**

**Help us to maintain the original Macarthur plan and vision for the benefit of the whole community and future generations.**

Say **NO** to the church's proposal to sell the rectory and glebe.

**See overleaf for suggestions.**

*More information is available at <http://www.stjohnscamden.info/>*



**Sign the petition (to be presented to the NSW Parliament):** The Petition will be at local Libraries (Camden Campbelltown) Historical Society (Camden Campbelltown) and selected retail outlets, and a DIY version with instructions is available at <http://www.stjohnscamden.info/Whattodo>

**Join Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/Save-St-Johns-Precinct-343603152874976/>

**You can send a letter/email to any or all:**

**Anglican Church Officials**

St John's Wardens PO Box 87 Camden NSW 2570. [office@camdenanglican.org.au](mailto:office@camdenanglican.org.au)

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Archbishop of Sydney The Most Rev Dr Glenn Davis: PO Box Q190 QVB Post Office NSW 1230 Email: [archbishop@sydney.anglican.asn.au](mailto:archbishop@sydney.anglican.asn.au)

**National Trust:** [info@nationaltrust.com.au](mailto:info@nationaltrust.com.au)

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*State Member Camden, Chris Patterson:* [camden@parliament.nsw.gov.au](mailto:camden@parliament.nsw.gov.au)

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**Camden NSW 2570):** email addresses at

<https://www.camden.nsw.gov.au/council/councillors/>

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**Newspapers:** Camden Advertiser, Macarthur Chronicle, District Reporter, Sydney Morning Herald, Daily Telegraph, The Australian.

