

# Culture, Heritage and Identity

Points Available: 1

## Aim

To encourage the use, interpretation and celebration of buildings with cultural heritage.

## Rating Tool Eligibility



Green Star  
Design & As Built



Green Star  
Interiors



Green Star  
Performance



Legacy Green Star  
Rating Tools

Note: This Innovation Challenge is only applicable to those projects which are recognised as a place of heritage value.

## Why is this Innovation Challenge Important?

Cultural heritage is critical to the identity of a community. In the context of the urban fabric, cultural heritage may mean buildings that carry a significant meaning to locals or those that provide a window to the past. While these buildings can present challenges in terms of achieving great environmental outcomes, reusing these assets has far-reaching positive social impacts. The adaptive reuse of these buildings reconnects them with the community, provides an avenue for improving the urban fabric, and can be a key element used to celebrate the history of the local area.

This Innovation Challenge aims to encourage the adaptive re-use and uptake of heritage listed buildings and rewards those that celebrate the heritage value of the asset.

## Compliance Requirements

To claim this Innovation Challenge your project team must:

- Demonstrate that the building selected is recognised as a place of heritage value, as defined in the Burra Charter or through a heritage listing within a state or local register.
- Demonstrate how the building is occupied or has been significantly refurbished, in such a manner as to celebrate and makes visible heritage elements.
- Make information on the heritage values of the building available to the public visitors to the site through site displays or a context aware smart phone application.

### Alternative Compliance Methods

A Credit Interpretation Request (CIR) may be submitted to the Green Building Council of Australia (GBCA) when an applicant wishes to advocate for an alternative yet equivalent method of meeting the Compliance or Documentation Requirements. Any CIRs submitted for this Innovation Challenge will be processed as free-of-charge.

## Documentation Requirements

### Design Review / Design and As Built Submission

Provide the following required documentation:

- **Submission Template** outlining the approach taken to celebrate the heritage and cultural value of the asset. The Submission Template also enables project teams to provide feedback on the Innovation Challenge to inform future developments.

Provide documentation to support the claims made within the Submission Template. This may include:

- **Extract from the Burra Charter / State / Local heritage register** to demonstrate that the asset is indeed of heritage and cultural value.
- **Evidence to demonstrate how the site/façade** has been refurbished and celebrated as a feature of the building.
- **Evidence of information on the heritage values** of the building available to public visitors to the site through site displays/context aware smart phone applications/other.