

ITEM 5.2 MAYORAL MINUTE - CASHMAN'S CORNER**Attachments: Nil**Submitted by: Councillor Michael Megna (Mayor)

MOTION

That Council install a plaque which acknowledges the history of Cashman's Corner on Great North Road, Five Dock

BACKGROUND

I wish to shed light on the historical significance of Cashman's Corner in Five Dock, and to call on Council to establish a permanent acknowledgement of the landmark's importance.

Cashman's Corner, established by Norman Aloysius Cashman in 1917, holds a unique place in our community's history.

Norman Cashman, born in Normanton, Queensland, was part of the Cashman family who relocated to our area, where they became influential figures in the local real estate scene.

In 1917, Norman ventured out on his own and established 'Norman A Cashman & Co, Real Estate Agents, Valuers & Auctioneers'. He erected a new building at the corner of Ramsay Road and Great North Road in Five Dock, known as 'Cashman's Corner'.

This corner quickly became more than just a real estate office. During World War I, it served as a recruiting point for the Australian Imperial Force, embodying the community's commitment to the war effort.

The landmark has stood at this location since 1917 as Five Dock has grown into one of Sydney's most beloved and bustling local town centres.

I propose that Council install a plaque at Cashman's Corner to commemorate its history, including its role during the war.

With a new Metro Station on the way, Five Dock will continue to grow and it's important that locals now and into the future can reflect on and celebrate the area's wonderful history. This plaque will ensure that future generations understand the importance of this site in our town's heritage.