

# **Landscape Referral Response**

Application Number:	DA2021/0715
Date:	11/06/2021
Responsible Officer:	Nick Keeler
• • •	Lot B DP 419338, 11 B Hill Street WARRIEWOOD NSW 2102

#### Reasons for referral

This application seeks consent for the following:

- Construction / development works within 5 metres of a tree or
- New residential works with three or more dwellings. (RFB's, townhouses, seniors living, guesthouses, etc). or
- Mixed use developments containing three or more residential dwellings.
- New Dwellings or

#### Officer comments

The development proposal is for demolition of existing structures and the proposed torrens title subdivision of one lot into two lots.

Council's Landscape Referral is assessed against the Pittwater Local Environment Plan clause E4 zone Environmental Living, and the following Pittwater 21 DCP Controls:

- B4.22 Preservation of Trees and Bushland Vegetation
- C4.7 Subdivision Amenity and Design
- D14 WarriewoodLocaility

The site is located in the E4 Environmental Living zone, requiring development to achieve a scale integrated with the landform and landscape, and to minimise impact on the natural environment, including the retention of natural landscape features and existing trees.

The subdivision proposal includes indicative building footprints, garages and parking areas, and proposed driveway alignments and Lot 1 indicates encroachment into the tree protection zone of the existing Norfolk Island Pine. The proposed stormwater plans includes stormwater works also within the tree protection zone of the existing Norfolk Island Pine. Concern is raised that the proposed building alignment and stormwater works for Lot 1 impact upon the Norfolk Island Pine and a Arboricultural Impact Assessment is provided recommending tree protection measures and the requirements to instal a stormwater line through under boring with a depth of at least 600 mm beneath the existing soil levels. However it is considered that an alternative design layout is available for any future dwelling and associated stormwater works, and this can be determined under any separate new dwelling application.

The proposed driveway handle will require the removal of two existing identified as T2 Weeping Bottlebrush.

Landcape Referral raise no objections to the subdivision proposal, with no works in the tree protection zone of the Norfolk Island Pine to be undertaken and to be the subject to a separate application for any new dwelling.

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The proposal is therefore supported.

Note: Should you have any concerns with the referral comments above, please discuss these with the Responsible Officer.

### **Recommended Landscape Conditions:**

## CONDITIONS TO BE COMPLIED WITH DURING DEMOLITION AND BUILDING WORK

### **Tree and Vegetation Protection**

- a) Existing trees and vegetation shall be retained and protected, including:
- i) all trees and vegetation within the site, excluding exempt trees and vegetation under the relevant planning instruments of legislation,
- ii) all trees and vegetation located on adjoining properties,
- iii) all road reserve trees and vegetation.
- b) Tree protection shall be undertaken as follows:
- i) tree protection shall be in accordance with Australian Standard 4970-2009 Protection of Trees on Development Sites, including the provision of temporary fencing to protect existing trees within 5 metres of development,
- ii) existing ground levels shall be maintained within the tree protection zone of trees to be retained, unless authorised by an Arborist with minimum AQF Level 5 in arboriculture,
- iii) removal of existing tree roots at or >25mm ( $\emptyset$ ) diameter is not permitted without consultation with an Arborist with minimum AQF Level 5 in arboriculture,
- iv) no excavated material, building material storage, site facilities, nor landscape materials are to be placed within the canopy dripline of trees and other vegetation required to be retained,
- v) structures are to bridge tree roots at or >25mm ( $\emptyset$ ) diameter unless directed by an Arborist with minimum AQF Level 5 in arboriculture on site,
- vi) excavation for stormwater lines and all other utility services is not permitted within the tree protection zone, without consultation with an Arborist with minimum AQF Level 5 in arboriculture including advice on root protection measures,
- vii) should either or all of v) or vi) occur during site establishment and construction works, an Arborist with minimum AQF Level 5 in arboriculture shall provide recommendations for tree protection measures. Details including photographic evidence of works undertaken shall be submitted by the Arborist to the Certifying Authority,
- viii) any temporary access to, or location of scaffolding within the tree protection zone of a protected tree or any other tree to be retained during the construction works is to be undertaken using the protection measures specified in sections 4.5.3 and 4.5.6 of Australian Standard 4970-2009 Protection of Trees on Development Sites,
- ix) the activities listed in section 4.2 of Australian Standard 4970-2009 Protection of Trees on Development Sites shall not occur within the tree protection zone of any tree on the lot or any tree on an adjoining site,
- x) tree pruning from within the site to enable approved works shall not exceed 10% of any tree canopy, and shall be in accordance with Australian Standard 4373-2007 Pruning of Amenity Trees,
- xi) the tree protection measures specified in this clause must: i) be in place before work commences on the site, and ii) be maintained in good condition during the construction period, and iii) remain in place for the duration of the construction works.
- c) Tree protection shall specifically be undertaken in accordance with the recommendations in the Arboricultural Impact Assessment.

The Certifying Authority must ensure that:

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- d) The arboricultural works listed in c) are undertaken and certified by an Arborist as complaint to the recommendations of the Arboricultural Impact Assessment.
- e) The activities listed in section 4.2 of Australian Standard 4970-2009 Protection of Trees on Development Sites, do not occur within the tree protection zone of any tree, and any temporary access to, or location of scaffolding within the tree protection zone of a protected tree, or any other tree to be retained on the site during the construction, is undertaken using the protection measures specified in sections 4.5.3 and 4.5.6 of that standard.

Note: All street trees within the road verge and trees within private property are protected under Northern Beaches Council development control plans, except where Council's written consent for removal has been obtained. The felling, lopping, topping, ringbarking, or removal of any tree(s) is prohibited.

Reason: Tree and vegetation protection.

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