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Northern Beaches Council

Re: 145 McCarrs Creek Road – Return of Application Application No: DA2024/1791 – PAN-498895

Dear Council,

This letter provides a summary of the ecological input associated with the site at 145 McCarrs Creek Road and responds to the Return of Application dated 30 December 2024.

Background – Main Development Application

The original Biodiversity Management Plan (BMP) and Biodiversity Development Assessment Report (BDAR) were prepared by GIS Environmental Consultants. Kingfisher Urban Ecology and Wetlands supervised the site throughout the pre-, during, and post-construction phases. Throughout this period, the site has been managed with a high level of environmental sensitivity.

Current Proposal – Minor On-Ground Impact

For the current proposal (installation of a small, elevated pool), Kingfisher Urban Ecology and Wetlands has prepared and submitted the following documentation:

- 1. An updated Ecological Impact Assessment addressing the proposed works.
- 2. A report addressing the *State Environmental Planning Policy (Resilience and Hazards) 2021,* including assessment of vegetation mapped as Coastal Rainforest.
- 3. An updated Bushland Management Plan specific to the proposed works, noting the original BMP remains applicable site-wide.

In February 2025, I (Geraldene Dalby-Ball) spoke with the Duty Planner regarding the Return of Application. It appeared the request may have resulted from a misunderstanding or unawareness of the already submitted documentation. The environmental impacts of the proposed works have been comprehensively addressed in accordance with all relevant State and Federal legislation.

I respectfully request that Council consider the Return of Application in light of the ecological documentation previously submitted in support of the current works.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should further clarification be required.

Yours sincerely,

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