



Date: 2 December 2015.

Dear Mr. C Oliver,

**RE: Inspection of leaning tree located within the site of the Northern Beaches PCYC, Dee Why.**

Further to the site meeting on 19 November, the subject tree, *Eucalyptus microcorys* (Tallow wood), is located on the southern boundary, towards Fisher Road (photos 1 and 2), of the new Northern Beaches PCYC, Dee Why. The tree was found to be in fair health and condition. However, dieback, dead branches and epicormic growth were observed within its canopy. The tree has been suppressed by taller neighbouring specimens and has developed a significant lean to the north (photo 3). It was advised that this lean has increased and the tree is now in contact with the adjacent fencing (photo 4). As discussed the tree now overhangs the proposed building and is in conflict with additional levels proposed for construction. Although the existing site conditions were not seen it would be fair to assume that the adjacent excavation works constitute a major encroachment into the trees protection zone. This in itself would pose significant impacts on the viability of the tree into the future.

Given the current condition of the tree, the excavation that has taken place and its direct conflict with the proposed building works I recommend the tree is removed.

Should you require any further information regarding this tree please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards.

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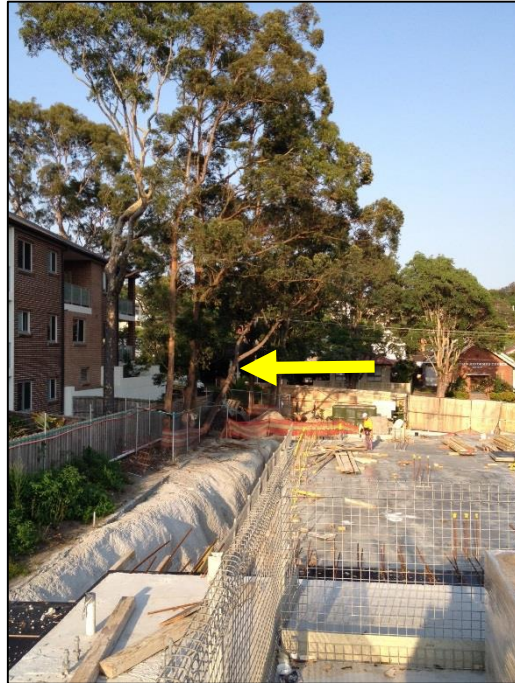
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## Photographs



**Photo 1:** Approximate location of tree within the site.



**Photo 2:** Looking West across the site at the subject tree.



**Photo 3:** Lean on the tree and adjacent excavation works.



**Photo 4:** Trunk of tree resting of the top rail of fencing.



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