



ARBORICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT IMPACT ASSESSMENT REPORT

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Executive Summary

This Arboricultural Development Impact Assessment Report has been commissioned by Hall & Hart Homes to report on trees within the site of 54 Golf Ave, Manly NSW. It has been commissioned to outline the health, condition and stability of these trees as well as their viability for retention within the context of the proposed development. The scope of this report includes all trees within areas that may be impacted by the proposed development.

The subject trees are preserved by Northern Beaches Council Tree Management Guidelines with the exception of Trees 2, 3, 6, 7 and 9 which are exempt.

Trees 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15 are street trees on the Balgowlah Road frontage.

The Tree Protection Zones of Trees 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 are encroached by the proposed construction and required earthworks by a total encroachment as defined by *AS4970-2009 Protection of Trees on Development Sites*. These trees will not be viable to be retained and are recommended for removal.

The Tree Protection Zones of Trees 12 and 14 will be encroached by slightly greater than the defined minor encroachment. Based on consideration under clause 3.3.4 of *AS4970-2009* of the existing structures (existing masonry wall and footings) and these species tolerance to root disturbance, these trees will remain viable to be retained under the proposed development.

The Tree Protection Zone (TPZ) of tree 13 will be encroached by the proposed development by 25% which is significantly greater than the defined minor encroachment. Based on consideration under clause 3.3.4 of *AS4970-2009* of the existing structures (existing masonry wall and footings) and this species tolerance to root disturbance, and with amended construction methods, this tree will remain viable to be retained under the proposed development. The concrete footings for the proposed wall within the TPZ of this tree are to be no deeper than the existing wall footings. There is to be no excavation below the base of the existing wall footings and all excavation on the property side of this wall is to be carried out by hand under the supervision of the Site Arborist (AQF Level 5).

All other trees are viable to be retained and are to be protected as defined below.

Recommendations for tree retention or removal are summarised as follows:

Tree no.	Species	Recommendations	Comments
1.	Missing		
2.	<i>Castenospermum australe</i>	Remove	Not viable to be retained due to encroachment by development. Exempt species.
3.	<i>Acacia spp</i>	Remove	Not viable to be retained due to encroachment by development. Exempt species.
4.	<i>Callistemon citrinus</i>	Remove	Not viable to be retained due to encroachment by development.

5.	Missing		
6.	<i>Archontophoenix cunninghamiana</i>	Remove	Not viable to be retained due to encroachment by development. Exempt species.
7.	<i>Archontophoenix cunninghamiana</i>	Remove	Not viable to be retained due to encroachment by development. Exempt species.
8.	<i>Cordyline spp</i>	Remove	Not viable to be retained due to encroachment by development.
9.	<i>Archontophoenix cunninghamiana</i>	Remove	Not viable to be retained due to encroachment by development. Exempt species.
10.	<i>Tristaniopsis laurina</i>	Remove	Not viable to be retained due to encroachment by development.
11.	<i>Jacaranda mimosifolia</i>	Retain	Viable to be retained.
12.	<i>Ulmus glabra</i>	Retain	Viable to be retained.
13.	<i>Jacaranda mimosifolia</i>	Retain	Viable to be retained. Revised construction methods required as per 7.0.
14.	<i>Bauhinia spp</i>	Retain	Viable to be retained.
15.	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i> 'Frisia'	Retain	Viable to be retained.

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1.0 Scope of Works

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On the 8th of November 2019, Glenn Bird of Birds Tree Consultancy attended site and inspected the subject trees from the ground. There was no aerial inspection carried out. A Visual Tree Assessment was undertaken in accordance with Visual Tree Assessment (VTA) guidelines (Mattheck and Breloer, 1994). Tree heights were measured using a Nikon Forestry 550 Heightmeter.

2.0 Site Analysis

2.1 Site

The subject site is 54 Golf Ave, Manly NSW. The subject trees are located within or adjacent to the boundaries of this site. The site is currently a residential property with an existing residential dwelling. This site is proposed for redevelopment including the demolition of the existing dwelling and construction of a new dwelling.

2.2 Topography

The site is flat. The area in the vicinity of all trees is flat.

2.3 Identification

Trees are as identified in the attached inspection forms in Appendix C and shown in Tree location Plan A01 in Appendix D. Tree numbers have been retained from survey drawings. Trees 1 and 5 are missing on site but these numbers have been retained for consistency.

2.4 Soils

Soil material and horizons were not tested for this report.

3.0 Existing Trees

The following trees were inspected from the ground and the following items identified. Please refer also to the attached inspection data in Appendix A.

3.1. Tree 1. Missing

3.2. Tree 2. *Castenospermum australe*

This mature tree is approximately 11m tall with a canopy spread of 9m. It has a single trunk with a diameter at breast height (DBH) of 375mm. This tree is in good health and condition with minimal deadwood and epicormic growth.

3.3. Tree 3. *Acacia spp*

This mature tree is approximately 3.5m tall with a canopy spread of 5m. It has a single trunk with a DBH of 100mm. This tree is in good health and condition with minimal deadwood and epicormic growth.

3.4. Tree 4. *Callistemon citrinus*

This mature tree is approximately 9.5m tall with a canopy spread of 5m. It has a single trunk with a DBH of 250mm. This tree is in good health and condition with minimal deadwood and epicormic growth.

3.5. Tree 5. Missing

3.6. Tree 6. *Archontophoenix cunninghamiana*

This mature tree is approximately 11m tall with a canopy spread of 4m. It has twin co-dominant trunks from the base. This tree is in good health and condition with minimal deadwood and epicormic growth.

3.7. Tree 7. *Archontophoenix cunninghamiana*

This mature tree is approximately 11m tall with a canopy spread of 4m. It has a single trunk. This tree is in good health and condition with minimal deadwood and epicormic growth.

3.8. Tree 8. *Cordyline spp*

This mature tree is approximately 6m tall with a canopy spread of 3m. It has multiple (3) co-dominant trunks from the base with an aggregate DBH of 206mm. This tree is in good health and condition with minimal deadwood and epicormic growth.

3.9. Tree 9. *Archontophoenix cunninghamiana*

This mature tree is approximately 14m tall with a canopy spread of 5m. It has twin co-dominant trunks from the base. This tree is in good health and condition with minimal deadwood and epicormic growth.

3.10. Tree 10. *Tristaniopsis laurina*

This mature tree is approximately 7m tall with a canopy spread of 4m. It has a single trunk with a slight lean to the north and a DBH of 130mm.

This tree is in good health and condition with minimal deadwood and epicormic growth.

3.11. Tree 11. *Jacaranda mimosifolia*

This mature tree is approximately 11m tall with a canopy spread of 8m. It has a single trunk with a DBH of 400mm. This tree is in good health and condition with minimal deadwood and epicormic growth.

3.12. Tree 12. *Ulmus glabra*

This mature tree is approximately 9m tall with a canopy spread of 8m. It has a single trunk with a DBH of 300mm. This tree is in good health and condition with minimal deadwood and epicormic growth.

3.13. Tree 13. *Jacaranda mimosifolia*

This mature tree is approximately 10m tall with a canopy spread of 8m. It has twin co-dominant trunks from 1.5m above the base with a prominent lean to the south and a DBH of 550mm. This tree is in good health and condition with minimal deadwood and epicormic growth.

3.14. Tree 14. *Bauhinia spp*

This mature tree is approximately 10m tall with a canopy spread of 7m. It has twin co-dominant trunks from 1.5m above the base with a DBH of 360mm. This tree is in poor health and condition with a sparse canopy, significant deadwood and moderate epicormic growth.

3.15. Tree 15. *Robinia pseudoacacia 'Frisia'*

This mature tree is approximately 7m tall with a canopy spread of 4m. It has a single trunk with a DBH of 150mm. This tree is in poor health and condition with a sparse canopy, significant deadwood and moderate epicormic growth.

4.0 Landscape Significance of Trees

4.1 Landscape Significance

The significance of a tree within the landscape is a factor of the health and condition of the tree, vitality, the form of the tree, environmental, cultural, amenity and heritage value.

4.2 Methodology of Determining Landscape Significance

For the purpose of this report, the Significance of a Tree, Assessment Rating System (STARS) as developed by the Institute of Australian Consulting Arborists (IACA) has been implemented. Please refer to Appendix A for greater detail of this assessment system. This system defines Landscape Significance for individual trees as High, Medium or Low Significance.

4.3 Landscape Significance of Subject Trees

Based on our assessment of the subject trees and implementation of the IACA Significance of a Tree, Assessment Rating System, the Landscape Significance of the Subject Trees was determined as shown in Table 1.

Tree no.	Species	Landscape Significance
1.	Missing	N/A
2.	<i>Castenospermum australe</i>	Moderate
3.	<i>Acacia spp</i>	Moderate
4.	<i>Callistemon citrinus</i>	Moderate
5.	Missing	N/A
6.	<i>Archontophoenix cunninghamiana</i>	Moderate
7.	<i>Archontophoenix cunninghamiana</i>	Moderate
8.	<i>Cordyline spp</i>	Low
9.	<i>Archontophoenix cunninghamiana</i>	Moderate
10.	<i>Tristaniopsis laurina</i>	Moderate
11.	<i>Jacaranda mimosifolia</i>	Moderate
12.	<i>Ulmus glabra</i>	Moderate
13.	<i>Jacaranda mimosifolia</i>	Moderate
14.	<i>Bauhinia spp</i>	Moderate
15.	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia 'Frisia'</i>	Moderate

Table 1 - Landscape Significance

5.0 Subject Tree Retention Value

5.1 Tree Retention Value Methodology

For the purpose of this report, the Tree Retention Values have been assessed by incorporating Landscape Significance Values as determined in 4.0 with the Useful Life Expectancy of the subject trees and assessing the retention values based on the Tree Retention Value Priority Matrix as developed by the Institute of Australian Consulting Arborists (IACA). Please refer to Appendix B for greater detail of this Tree Retention Value Priority Matrix. This matrix defines Landscape Significance for individual trees as High, Medium or Low Retention Value as well as Priority for Removal.

5.2 Retention Value of Subject Trees

Based on our assessment of the subject trees and implementation of the IACA Tree Retention Value Priority Matrix, the Retention Values of the Subject Trees were determined as shown in Table 2.

Tree no.	Species	Retention Value
1.	Missing	N/A
2.	<i>Castenospermum australe</i>	Moderate
3.	<i>Acacia spp</i>	Moderate
4.	<i>Callistemon citrinus</i>	Moderate
5.	Missing	N/A

6.	<i>Archontophoenix cunninghamiana</i>	Moderate
7.	<i>Archontophoenix cunninghamiana</i>	Moderate
8.	<i>Cordyline spp</i>	Low
9.	<i>Archontophoenix cunninghamiana</i>	Moderate
10.	<i>Tristaniopsis laurina</i>	Moderate
11.	<i>Jacaranda mimosifolia</i>	Moderate
12.	<i>Ulmus glabra</i>	Moderate
13.	<i>Jacaranda mimosifolia</i>	Moderate
14.	<i>Bauhinia spp</i>	Low
15.	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia 'Frisia'</i>	Moderate

Table 2 – Tree Retention Value

6.0 Impact of Development

6.1 Tree Protection Zone

Tree Protection Zones (TPZs) have been defined for the subject trees in order to define the encroachment of the proposed development in accordance with AS4970-2009. The TPZs required have been taken as a circular area with a radius 12 x the diameter at breast height of the tree. This requirement is in line with Australian Standard AS 4970-2009 Protection of Trees on Development Sites. This standard defines a maximum of 10% encroachment to be minimal encroachment. Any encroachment over 10% requires the site arborist to give consideration as to the viability of the tree due to the proposed development.

Tree no.	Species	TPZ Radius (m)	Encroachment (%)
1.	Missing	N/A	N/A
2.	<i>Castenospermum australe</i>	4.5	100
3.	<i>Acacia spp</i>	2	100
4.	<i>Callistemon citrinus</i>	3	100
5.	Missing	N/A	N/A
6.	<i>Archontophoenix cunninghamiana</i>	2.5	100
7.	<i>Archontophoenix cunninghamiana</i>	2.5	100
8.	<i>Cordyline spp</i>	2.472	100
9.	<i>Archontophoenix cunninghamiana</i>	3	100
10.	<i>Tristaniopsis laurina</i>	2	100
11.	<i>Jacaranda mimosifolia</i>	4.8	10
12.	<i>Ulmus glabra</i>	3.6	13
13.	<i>Jacaranda mimosifolia</i>	6.6	26
14.	<i>Bauhinia spp</i>	4.32	15
15.	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia 'Frisia'</i>	2	0

6.2 Development Impact

6.2.1. Tree 1. **Missing**

6.2.2. Tree 2. ***Castenospermum austral***

The Tree Protection Zone (TPZ) of this tree in accordance with AS 4970-2009 *Protection of Trees on Development Sites* will be totally encroached by the proposed development. This tree will not be viable to be retained under the proposed development.

6.2.3. Tree 3. ***Acacia spp***

The Tree Protection Zone (TPZ) of this tree in accordance with AS 4970-2009 *Protection of Trees on Development Sites* will be totally encroached by the proposed development. This tree will not be viable to be retained under the proposed development.

6.2.4. Tree 4. ***Callistemon citrinus***

The Tree Protection Zone (TPZ) of this tree in accordance with AS 4970-2009 *Protection of Trees on Development Sites* will be totally encroached by the proposed development. This tree will not be viable to be retained under the proposed development.

6.2.5. Tree 5. **Missing**

6.2.6. Tree 6. ***Archontophoenix cunninghamiana***

The Tree Protection Zone (TPZ) of this tree in accordance with AS 4970-2009 *Protection of Trees on Development Sites* will be totally encroached by the proposed development. This tree will not be viable to be retained under the proposed development.

6.2.7. Tree 7. ***Archontophoenix cunninghamiana***

The Tree Protection Zone (TPZ) of this tree in accordance with AS 4970-2009 *Protection of Trees on Development Sites* will be totally encroached by the proposed development. This tree will not be viable to be retained under the proposed development.

6.2.8. Tree 8. ***Cordyline spp***

The Tree Protection Zone (TPZ) of this tree in accordance with AS 4970-2009 *Protection of Trees on Development Sites* will be totally encroached by the proposed development. This tree will not be viable to be retained under the proposed development.

6.2.9. Tree 9. ***Archontophoenix cunninghamiana***

The Tree Protection Zone (TPZ) of this tree in accordance with AS 4970-2009 *Protection of Trees on Development Sites* will be totally encroached by the proposed development. This tree will not be viable to be retained under the proposed development.

6.2.10. Tree 10. *Tristaniopsis laurina*

The Tree Protection Zone (TPZ) of this tree in accordance with AS 4970-2009 *Protection of Trees on Development Sites* will be totally encroached by the proposed development. This tree will not be viable to be retained under the proposed development.

6.2.11. Tree 11. *Jacaranda mimosifolia*

The Tree Protection Zone (TPZ) of this tree in accordance with AS 4970-2009 *Protection of Trees on Development Sites* will be encroached by the proposed development by 10% which is equal to the defined minor encroachment. This tree will remain viable to be retained under the proposed development.

6.2.12. Tree 12. *Ulmus glabra*

The Tree Protection Zone (TPZ) of this tree in accordance with AS 4970-2009 *Protection of Trees on Development Sites* will be encroached by the proposed development by 13% which is slightly greater than the defined minor encroachment. Based on consideration under clause 3.3.4 of AS4970-2009 of the existing structures (existing masonry wall and footings) and this species tolerance to root disturbance, this tree will remain viable to be retained under the proposed development.

6.2.13. Tree 13. *Jacaranda mimosifolia*

The Tree Protection Zone (TPZ) of this tree in accordance with AS 4970-2009 *Protection of Trees on Development Sites* will be encroached by the proposed development by 25% which is significantly greater than the defined minor encroachment. Based on consideration under clause 3.3.4 of AS4970-2009 of the existing structures (existing masonry wall and footings) and this species tolerance to root disturbance, and with amended construction methods this tree will remain viable to be retained under the proposed development.

6.2.14. Tree 14. *Bauhinia spp*

The Tree Protection Zone (TPZ) of this tree in accordance with AS 4970-2009 *Protection of Trees on Development Sites* will be encroached by the proposed development by 15% which is slightly greater than the defined minor encroachment. Based on consideration under clause 3.3.4 of AS4970-2009 of the existing structures (existing masonry wall and footings) and this species tolerance to root disturbance, this tree will remain viable to be retained under the proposed development.

6.2.15. Tree 15. *Robinia pseudoacacia* 'Frisia'

The Tree Protection Zone (TPZ) of this tree in accordance with AS 4970-2009 *Protection of Trees on Development Sites* will not be further encroached by the proposed development. This tree will be viable to be retained under the proposed development.

7.0 Recommendations

The subject trees are preserved by Northern Beaches Council Tree Management Guidelines with the exception of Trees 2, 3, 6, 7 and 9 which are exempt.

Trees 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15 are street trees on the Balgowlah Road frontage.

The Tree Protection Zones of Trees 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 are encroached by the proposed construction and required earthworks by a total encroachment as defined by *AS4970-2009 Protection of Trees on Development Sites*. These trees will not be viable to be retained and are recommended for removal.

The Tree Protection Zones of Trees 12 and 14 will be encroached by slightly greater than the defined minor encroachment. Based on consideration under clause 3.3.4 of *AS4970-2009* of the existing structures (existing masonry wall and footings) and these species tolerance to root disturbance, these trees will remain viable to be retained under the proposed development.

The Tree Protection Zone (TPZ) of tree 13 will be encroached by the proposed development by 25% which is significantly greater than the defined minor encroachment. Based on consideration under clause 3.3.4 of *AS4970-2009* of the existing structures (existing masonry wall and footings) and this species tolerance to root disturbance, and with amended construction methods, this tree will remain viable to be retained under the proposed development. The concrete footings for the proposed wall within the TPZ of this tree are to be no deeper than the existing wall footings. There is to be no excavation below the base of the existing wall footings and all excavation on the property side of this wall is to be carried out by hand under the supervision of the Site Arborist (AQF Level 5).

All other trees are viable to be retained and are to be protected as defined below.

Recommendations for tree retention or removal are summarised as follows:

Tree no.	Species	Recommendations	Comments
1.	Missing		
2.	<i>Castenospermum australe</i>	Remove	Not viable to be retained due to encroachment by development. Exempt species.
3.	<i>Acacia spp</i>	Remove	Not viable to be retained due to encroachment by development. Exempt species.
4.	<i>Callistemon citrinus</i>	Remove	Not viable to be retained due to encroachment by development.
5.	Missing		
6.	<i>Archontophoenix cunninghamiana</i>	Remove	Not viable to be retained due to encroachment by development. Exempt species.
7.	<i>Archontophoenix cunninghamiana</i>	Remove	Not viable to be retained due to encroachment by development. Exempt species.

8.	<i>Cordyline spp</i>	Remove	Not viable to be retained due to encroachment by development.
9.	<i>Archontophoenix cunninghamiana</i>	Remove	Not viable to be retained due to encroachment by development. Exempt species.
10.	<i>Tristaniopsis laurina</i>	Remove	Not viable to be retained due to encroachment by development.
11.	<i>Jacaranda mimosifolia</i>	Retain	Viable to be retained.
12.	<i>Ulmus glabra</i>	Retain	Viable to be retained.
13.	<i>Jacaranda mimosifolia</i>	Retain	Viable to be retained. Revised construction methods required as per 7.0.
14.	<i>Bauhinia spp</i>	Retain	Viable to be retained.
15.	<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i> 'Frisia'	Retain	Viable to be retained.

8.0 Pre-Construction Tree Protection Measures

8.1 General

All tree protection works shall be carried out before excavation, grading and site works commence. Tree protection works shall be inspected and approved by a Consulting Arborist meeting AQF Level 5 prior to construction works commencing.

Storage of materials, mixing of materials, vehicle parking, disposal of liquids, machinery repairs and refueling, site office and sheds, and the lighting of fires, stockpiling of soil, rubble or any debris shall not be carried out within the TPZ of existing trees. No backfilling shall occur within the TPZ of existing trees. Trees shall not be removed or lopped unless specific instruction is given in writing by the Superintendent.

8.2 Identification

All trees to be protected shall be clearly identified and all TPZs surveyed.

8.3 Protective Fence

Fencing is to be erected around existing trees to be retained. In addition to this protective fencing within the site, Protective Fencing is to be installed to the full extent of the TPZs within the site. This fencing is to be erected prior to any materials being brought on site or before any site, civil works or construction works commence. The fence shall enclose a sufficient area so as to prevent damage to the TPZ as defined on Appendix D Tree Protection Plan and as defined in 5.1 above. Fence to comprise 1800mm high chain wire mesh fixed to 50mm diameter Galvanised steel posts. Panels should be securely fixed top and bottom to avoid separation. No storage of building materials, tools, paint, fuel or contaminants and the like shall occur within the fenced area.

8.4 Mulching

Install mulch to the extent of all tree protection fencing. Use a leaf mulch conforming to AS 4454 which is free of deleterious and extraneous matter such as soil, weeds, sticks and stones and consisting of a minimum of 90% recycled content compliant with AS 4454 (1999) and AS 4419 (1998). All trees marked as to be removed on the

proposed development are to be chipped and reused for this purpose. Place mulch evenly and to a depth of 100mm.

8.5 Signage

Prior to works commencing, tree protection signage is to be attached to each tree protection zone, displayed in a prominent position and the sign repeated at 10 metres intervals or closer where the fence changes direction. Each sign shall contain in a clearly legible form, the following information:

Tree protection zone.

- This fence has been installed to prevent damage to the trees and their growing environment both above and below ground and access is restricted.
- No Access within Tree Protection Zone
- The name, address, and telephone number of the developer.

The name and telephone number of the Site Arborist.

9.0 Site Management Issues

9.1 Soil Compaction

Plant and pedestrian traffic during the construction period will cause significant soil compaction. This will be exacerbated by increased water expected on these soils as result of adjacent construction and weather. Compaction of the soil within the TPZ will reduce the voids between soil peds or particles therefore will reduce the gaseous exchange capacity of the root system which will slow critical metabolic processes such as respiration which produces Adenosine Triphosphate (ATP) which provides energy for the photosynthesis, which in turn provides photosynthates such as glucose. These photosynthates provide the carbohydrates required for tree extension growth, girth expansion, reproduction and pest and disease resistance. No pedestrian or plant access is permissible to the TPZ.

9.2 Site Access

Sufficient access is required to enable efficient construction. It is essential to delineate access zones or corridors which will provide suitable access without damaging the existing trees to be retained or causing compaction to the root zone.

9.3 Excavation within Tree Protection Area

No excavation is to be carried out within the TPZs of retained trees without the permission and supervision of the site arborist (AQF5)

9.4 Possible Contamination / Storage of Materials

The construction site will require the use of many chemicals and materials that are possible contaminants which if not managed will pose a risk to the existing trees. These possible contaminants include fuels, herbicides, solvents and the like. A site specific Environmental Management Plan shall be provided and this specific risk identified and addressed.

10.0 Tree Protection Measures During Construction

10.1 Maintenance of Pre-Construction Tree Protection Measures

The Pre-Construction Tree Protection Measures identified in 5.0 above are to be maintained in good and serviceable condition throughout the construction period.

10.2 Possible Contaminants

Do not store or otherwise place bulk materials and harmful materials under or near trees. Do not place spoil from excavations within the TPZs. Prevent wind-blown materials such as cement from harming trees. All possible contaminants are to be stored in a designated and appropriate area with secure chemical spill measures such as a bund in place.

10.3 Physical Damage

Prevent damage to tree. Do not attach stays, guys and the like to trees. No personnel, plant, machinery or materials are to be allowed within the tree protection fencing.

10.4 Compaction

No filling or compaction shall occur over tree roots zones within tree protection fenced areas. Where construction occurs close to or the TPZ of trees to be retained it shall be necessary to install protection to avoid compaction of the ground surface. This protection is to be planks supported clear of the ground fixed to scaffolding.

10.5 Trenching

No Trenching should be necessary within the TPZs or within tree protection fencing. No further trenching is to be carried out without the approval of the Superintendent. Should any further trenching be required within the TPZs identified, this work is to be carried out by hand and under the supervision of a qualified Arborist.

10.6 Irrigation/Watering

Contractor is to ensure that soil moisture levels are adequately maintained. Apply water at an appropriate rate suitable for the species during periods of little or no rainfall.

10.7 Site Sheds / Amenities/ Storage

Site sheds, site amenities, ablutions and site storage shall be in the area clear of all TPZ. Chemicals and potential contaminants are to be stored appropriately and this storage area is to be enclosed by a chemical spill bund to prevent the potential run off of contaminants in the event of a spillage or accident.

11.0 Environmental / Heritage/ Legislative Considerations

None of the subject trees are identified as threatened species or elements of endangered ecological communities within the Threatened Species Conservation Act 1995.

12.0 References

Mattheck, C. Breloer, K. 1993, The Body Language of Trees: A Handbook for Failure Analysis, 12th Impression 2010 The Stationery Office.
AS4970-2009 Protection of Trees on Development Sites: Standards Australia

13.0 Disclaimer

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Every effort has been made in this report to include, assess and address all defects, structural weaknesses, instabilities and the like of the subject trees. All inspections were made from ground level using only visual means and no intrusive or destructive means of inspection were used. For many structural defects such as decay and inclusions, internal inspection is required by means of resistograph or similar. No such investigation has been made in this case. Trees are living organisms and are subject to failure through a variety of causes not able to be identified by means of this inspection and report.

IACA Significance of a Tree, Assessment Rating System (STARS) © (IACA 2010) ©

In the development of this document IACA acknowledges the contribution and original concept of the Footprint Green Tree Significance & Retention Value Matrix, developed by Footprint Green Pty Ltd in June 2001.

The landscape significance of a tree is an essential criterion to establish the importance that a particular tree may have on a site. However, rating the significance of a tree becomes subjective and difficult to ascertain in a consistent and repetitive fashion due to assessor bias. It is therefore necessary to have a rating system utilising structured qualitative criteria to assist in determining the retention value for a tree. To assist this process all definitions for terms used in the *Tree Significance - Assessment Criteria* and *Tree Retention Value - Priority Matrix*, are taken from the IACA Dictionary for Managing Trees in Urban Environments 2009.

This rating system will assist in the planning processes for proposed works, above and below ground where trees are to be retained on or adjacent a development site. The system uses a scale of *High*, *Medium* and *Low* significance in the landscape. Once the landscape significance of an individual tree has been defined, the retention value can be determined.

Tree Significance - Assessment Criteria



1. High Significance in landscape

- The tree is in good condition and good vigour;
- The tree has a form typical for the species;
- The tree is a remnant or is a planted locally indigenous specimen and/or is rare or uncommon in the local area or of botanical interest or of substantial age;
- The tree is listed as a Heritage Item, Threatened Species or part of an Endangered ecological community or listed on Councils significant Tree Register;
- The tree is visually prominent and visible from a considerable distance when viewed from most directions within the landscape due to its size and scale and makes a positive contribution to the local amenity;
- The tree supports social and cultural sentiments or spiritual associations, reflected by the broader population or community group or has commemorative values;
- The tree's growth is unrestricted by above and below ground influences, supporting its ability to reach dimensions typical for the taxa *in situ* - tree is appropriate to the site conditions.

2. Medium Significance in landscape

- The tree is in fair-good condition and good or low vigour;
- The tree has form typical or atypical of the species;
- The tree is a planted locally indigenous or a common species with its taxa commonly planted in the local area
- The tree is visible from surrounding properties, although not visually prominent as partially obstructed by other vegetation or buildings when viewed from the street,
- The tree provides a fair contribution to the visual character and amenity of the local area,
- The tree's growth is moderately restricted by above or below ground influences, reducing its ability to reach dimensions typical for the taxa *in situ*.

3. Low Significance in landscape

- The tree is in fair-poor condition and good or low vigour;
- The tree has form atypical of the species;
- The tree is not visible or is partly visible from surrounding properties as obstructed by other vegetation or buildings,
- The tree provides a minor contribution or has a negative impact on the visual character and amenity of the local area,
- The tree is a young specimen which may or may not have reached dimension to be protected by local Tree Preservation orders or similar protection mechanisms and can easily be replaced with a suitable specimen,
- The tree's growth is severely restricted by above or below ground influences, unlikely to reach dimensions typical for the taxa *in situ* - tree is inappropriate to the site conditions,
- The tree is listed as exempt under the provisions of the local Council Tree Preservation Order or similar protection mechanisms,
- The tree has a wound or defect that has potential to become structurally unsound.

Environmental Pest / Noxious Weed Species

- The tree is an Environmental Pest Species due to its invasiveness or poisonous/ allergenic properties,
 - The tree is a declared noxious weed by legislation.
- Hazardous/Irreversible Decline**
- The tree is structurally unsound and/or unstable and is considered potentially dangerous,
 - The tree is dead, or is in irreversible decline, or has the potential to fail or collapse in full or part in the immediate to short term.

The tree is to have a minimum of three (3) criteria in a category to be classified in that group.

Note: The assessment criteria are for individual trees only, however, can be applied to a monocultural stand in its entirety e.g. hedge.

Appendix B Tree Retention Values

		Significance				
		1. High	2. Medium	3. Low		
		Significance in Landscape	Significance in Landscape	Significance in Landscape	Environmental Pest / Noxious Weed Species	Hazardous / Irreversible Decline
Estimated Life Expectancy	1. Long >40 years					
	2. Medium 15-40 Years					
	3. Short <1-15 Years					
	Dead					
Legend for Matrix Assessment						
		Priority for Retention (High) - These trees are considered important for retention and should be retained and protected. Design modification or re-location of building/s should be considered to accommodate the setbacks as prescribed by the Australian Standard AS4970 <i>Protection of trees on development sites</i> . Tree sensitive construction measures must be implemented e.g. pier and beam etc if works are to proceed within the Tree Protection Zone.				
		Consider for Retention (Medium) - These trees may be retained and protected. These are considered less critical; however their retention should remain priority with removal considered only if adversely affecting the proposed building/works and all other alternatives have been considered and exhausted.				
		Consider for Removal (Low) - These trees are not considered important for retention, nor require special works or design modification to be implemented for their retention.				
		Priority for Removal - These trees are considered hazardous, or in irreversible decline, or weeds and should be removed irrespective of development.				

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Appendix C - Tree Inspection Data

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Inspection Data
54 Golf Avenue Manly

7-Nov-19

Tree no.	Species	Height (m)	Spread(m)	DBH (mm)	TPZ radius (m)	Maturity	Trunk (single, twin, multiple @)	Trunk lean	Form/Crown shape	Branching Habit	Crown Distribution	Stability	Branching Structure	Pruning History	Defects	Damage	Overall Health & Vigour	Canopy Density	Foliage	Deadwood	Epicormic Growth	Pest Infestation	Disease	Life expectancy	Env. & Landcape significance	Retention Value	Notes/Comments
1	Missing																										
2	Castenospermum australe	11	9	375	4.5	Mature	Single	NIL	Normal	Normal	Balanced	Stable	Stable	No evidence	Nil	Nil	Good	Normal	Normal	<5%	<5%	No evidence	No evidence	15-40y	Moderate	Moderate	
3	Acacia spp	3.5	5	100	2	Mature	Single	NIL	Normal	Normal	Balanced	Stable	Stable	No evidence	Nil	Nil	Good	Normal	Normal	<5%	<5%	No evidence	No evidence	15-40y	Moderate	Moderate	
4	Callistemon citrinus	9.5	5	250	3	Mature	Single	NIL	Normal	Normal	Balanced	Stable	Stable	No evidence	Nil	Nil	Good	Normal	Normal	<5%	<5%	No evidence	No evidence	15-40y	Moderate	Moderate	
5	Missing																										
6	Archontophoenix cunninghamiana	11	4		2.5	Mature	Twin @ base	NIL	Normal	Normal	Balanced	Stable	Stable	No evidence	Nil	Nil	Good	Normal	Normal	<5%	<5%	No evidence	No evidence	15-40y	Moderate	Moderate	
7	Archontophoenix cunninghamiana	11	4		2.5	Mature	Single	NIL	Normal	Normal	Balanced	Stable	Stable	No evidence	Nil	Nil	Good	Normal	Normal	<5%	<5%	No evidence	No evidence	15-40y	Moderate	Moderate	
8	Cordyline spp	6	3	206	2.472	Mature	Multiple (3) @ base	NIL	Normal	Normal	Balanced	Stable	Stable	No evidence	Nil	Nil	Good	Normal	Normal	<5%	<5%	No evidence	No evidence	15-40y	Low	Low	
9	Archontophoenix cunninghamiana	14	5		3	Mature	Twin @ base	NIL	Normal	Normal	Balanced	Stable	Stable	No evidence	Nil	Nil	Good	Normal	Normal	<5%	<5%	No evidence	No evidence	15-40y	Moderate	Moderate	
10	Tristaniaopsis laurina	7	4	130	2	Mature	Single	Slight N	Normal	Normal	Balanced	Stable	Stable	No evidence	Nil	Nil	Good	Normal	Normal	<5%	<5%	No evidence	No evidence	15-40y	Moderate	Moderate	
11	Jacaranda mimosifolia	11	8	400	4.8	Mature	Single	NIL	Normal	Normal	Balanced	Stable	Stable	No evidence	Nil	Nil	Good	Normal	Normal	<5%	<5%	No evidence	No evidence	15-40y	Moderate	Moderate	
12	Ulmus glabra	9	8	300	3.6	Mature	Single	NIL	Normal	Normal	Balanced	Stable	Stable	No evidence	Nil	Nil	Good	Normal	Normal	<5%	<5%	No evidence	No evidence	15-40y	Moderate	Moderate	
13	Jacaranda mimosifolia	10	8	550	6.6	Mature	Twin @ 1500	Prominent S	Normal	Normal	Balanced	Stable	Stable	No evidence	Nil	Nil	Good	Normal	Normal	<5%	<5%	No evidence	No evidence	15-40y	Moderate	Moderate	
14	Bauhinia spp	10	7	360	4.32	Mature	Twin @ 1500	NIL	Normal	Normal	Balanced	Stable	Stable	No evidence	Nil	Nil	Poor	Sparse	Normal	40%	20%	No evidence	No evidence	5-15y	Moderate	Low	
15	Robinia pseudoacacia 'Frisia'	7	4	150	2	Mature	Single	NIL	Normal	Normal	Balanced	Stable	Stable	No evidence	Nil	Nil	Poor	Sparse	Normal	50%	30%	No evidence	No evidence	15-40y	Moderate	Moderate	

Appendix D Tree Location Plans

Tree Protection Plans

