

## TREE APPLICATION ASSESSMENT REPORT

Application No. DA2009/1594

Proposal Description: Removal of 3 trees

Legal Address: Lot B DP 345524

Property Address: 6 Cowan Drive COTTAGE POINT NSW 2084

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| Assessment Officer:   | Jason Goldstein   |
| Notification Required?  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes (14 days) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No   |
| Applicable Controls:  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EPA Act 1979<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EPA Regulations 2000<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WLEP 2000<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WDCP   |
| SEPPs: Applicable?:   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No   |
| REPs: Applicable?:  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No   |
| LEPs Applicable?  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No   |
| WLEP  |   |
| Locality:   | A1 Cottage Point  |
| Category of Development   | Category 2 (other works)  |
| Draft WLEP 2009 Permissible or Prohibited Land use:   | Environmental living  |
| Desired Future Character Consideration:<br><br>Is the development considered to be consistent with the Locality's Desired Future Character Statement?   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No   |
| Built Form Controls: Applicable?  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No   |
| General Principles of Development Control (GP's): Applicable?   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No   |
| (Relevant GP's are:)<br>CL56<br>Retaining Unique Environmental Features on Site<br>CL58<br>Protection of Existing Flora<br>CL59<br>Koala Habitat Protection<br>CL60<br>Watercourses & Aquatic Habitats<br>CL63<br>Landscaped Open Space | Compliant?<br><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No<br><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No<br><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No<br><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No<br><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| Schedules: Applicable?  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No   |
| Schedule 8 Site analysis  | Adequate Detail?<br><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No   |

**Clause 31 (How can Council make Tree Preservation Orders (TPO)?)****Does the proposed development meet the objectives of the TPO?**
☒ Yes , subject to condition 
 ☐ No

To use this inspection criteria: Bold highlight denotes code, where there is no bold, check the accompanying notes and use the appropriate code or insert the necessary information.

| Information Category                        | No 1                 | No 2              | No 3                   |
|---|----------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| Species                                     | Eucalyptus pilularis | Ficus macrophylla | Ceratopetalum apetalum |
| Remnant/Planted/ Self sown                  | P                    | S                 | S                      |
| <b>Special significance</b>                 |                      |                   |                        |
| Age class <b>Y/S/M/O</b>                    | M                    | M                 | M                      |
| Tree height (m)                             | 25                   | 10                | 12                     |
| Average crown diameter (m)                  | 10                   | 10                | 5                      |
| Crown condition<br><b>0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5</b>  | 4                    | 4                 | 4                      |
| Root zone                                   | Ga                   | Ga, O             | Ga, O                  |
| Defects                                     |                      |                   |                        |
| Services/adjacent structures                | Bu                   |                   |                        |
| Failure potential<br><b>1, 2, 3, 4</b>      | 1                    | 1                 | 1                      |
| Size of defective part<br><b>1, 2, 3, 4</b> | 1                    | 1                 | 1                      |
| Target rating <b>1, 2, 3, 4</b>             | 2                    | 2                 | 2                      |
| Hazard Rating <b>(-/12)</b>                 | 4                    | 4                 | 4                      |
| <b>Recommendations</b>                      |                      |                   |                        |
| Remove Tree                                 | N                    | Y                 | Y                      |
| Pruning                                     | Y                    |                   |                        |
| Repair/replace surface                      |                      |                   |                        |
| Root pruning/root barrier                   |                      |                   |                        |
| Replanting required                         |                      | N                 | N                      |
| Other                                       |                      |                   |                        |

**Additional Comments:** Tree 1 was in good health and condition at time of inspection and provides amenity to the area. The reasons listed for removal are not justifiable to remove tree 1.

**SECTION 79C EPA ACT 1979**

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| Section 79C (1) (a)(i) – Have you considered all relevant provisions of any relevant environmental planning instrument?   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No                              |
| Section 79C (1) (a)(ii) – Have you considered all relevant provisions of any provisions of any draft environmental planning instrument  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No                              |
| Section 79C (1) (a)(iii) – Have you considered all relevant provisions of any provisions of any development control plan  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No                              |
| Section 79C (1) (a)(iia) – Have you considered all relevant provisions of any Planning Agreement or Draft Planning Agreement  | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A |
| Section 79C (1) (a)(iv) – Have you considered all relevant provisions of any Regulations?   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No                              |
| Section 79C (1) (b) – Are the likely impacts of the development, including environmental impacts on the natural and built environment and social and economic impacts in the locality acceptable? | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No                              |
| Section 79C (1) (c) – Is the site suitable for the development?   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No                              |
| Section 79C (1) (d) – Have you considered any submissions made in accordance with the EPA Act or EPA Regs?  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No                              |
| Section 79C (1) (e) – Is the proposal in the public interest?   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No                              |

**DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING INSTRUMENTS:****Draft Warringah Local Environmental Plan 2009 (Draft WLEP 2009)**

Definition:

Land Use Zone:

Permissible or Prohibited:

Additional Permitted used for particular land – Refer to Schedule 1:

Principal Development Standards:

| Development Standard   | Required | Proposed | Complies | Clause 4.6 Exception to Development Standard |
|--|----------|----------|----------|--|
| Minimum Subdivision Lot Size:  |          |          |          |  |
| Rural Subdivision:   |          |          |          |  |
| No Strata Plan or Community Title Subdivisions in certain rural and environmental zones: |          |          |          |  |
| Height of Buildings:   |          |          |          |  |

The proposed development is consistent with the aims and objectives of the Draft WLEP 2009.

## APPLICATION DETERMINATION

### Conclusion:

The site has been inspected and the application assessed having regard to the provisions of Section 79C of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979, the provisions relevant Environmental Planning Instruments including Warringah Local Environment Plan 2000, Draft Warringah Local Environmental Plan 2009 and the relevant codes and policies of Council and the proposed development is considered to be:



Yes, subject to condition



Unsatisfactory

### Recommendation:

#### That Council as the consent authority



**GRANT DEVELOPMENT CONSENT** to the development application subject to:

- (a) the conditions detailed within the associated notice of determination; and
- (b) the consent lapsing within three (3) years from operation.



**REFUSE development consent** to the development application subject to:

- (a) the reasons detailed within the associated notice of determination.

"I am aware of Warringah's Code of Conduct and, in signing this report, declare that I do not have a Conflict of Interest"

The application is determined under the delegated authority of:

Jason Goldstein

Signed

Date

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**Tree Assessment Officer**

## Explanatory Criteria for Tree Inspection Schedule within Assessment Report

**Note:** The detail below is general and is provided in good faith as a guide to assist persons reviewing the assessment report understand and interpret the assessment and a determination which may include the removal of a tree outside the criteria set can be for reasons beyond technical consideration and can be based on the expertise of the Council Officer conducting the assessment. If you require clarification or have any questions, please contact Council's Planning and Development Tree Assessment Officer.

| Key                                | Criteria   | Comments                              |
|------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| Tree No.                           | Must relate to the number on your site diagram   |                                       |
| Species                            | May be coded – include a key to the codes; botanical names and common names in key.<br>(eg Lc = Lophostemon confertus Brush Box)   |                                       |
| Remnant/<br>Planted /<br>Self sown | Self explanatory; of use when negotiating cost sharing for line clearing operations  |                                       |
| Special<br>Significance            | A     Aboriginal<br>C     Commemorative<br>Ha    Habitat<br>Hi    Historic<br>M     Memorial<br>R     Rare<br>U     Unique form<br>O     Other   | This may require specialist knowledge |
| Age Class                          | Y     Young = recently planted<br>S     Semi mature (<20% of life expectancy)<br>M     Mature (20-80% of life expectancy)<br>O     Over-mature (>80% of life expectancy)   |                                       |
| Height                             | In metres  |                                       |
| Spread                             | Average diameter of canopy in metres   |                                       |
| Crown<br>condition                 | Overall vigour and vitality<br><br>0     Dead<br>1     Severe decline (<20% canopy; major dead wood<br>2     Declining (20-60% canopy density; twig and branch dieback)<br>3     Average/low vigour (60-90% canopy density; twig dieback)<br>4     Good (90-100% crown cover; little or no dieback or other problems)<br>5     Excellent (100% crown cover, no deadwood or other problems)   | This requires knowledge of species    |
| Failure<br>Potential               | Identifies the most likely failure and rates the likelihood that the structural defect(s) will result in failure within the inspection period.<br><br>1.    Low – defects are minor (eg dieback of twigs, small wounds with good wound wood development)<br>2.    Medium – defects are present and obvious (eg cavity encompassing 10-25% of the circumference of the trunk)<br>3.    High – numerous and/or significant defects present (eg cavity encompassing 30-50% of the circumference of the trunk, major bark inclusions)<br>4.    Severe – defects are very severe (eg heart rot fruiting bodies, cavity encompassing more than 50% of the trunk) | This requires specialist knowledge    |
| Size of<br>Defective<br>Plant      | Rates the size of the part most likely to fail. The larger the part that fails, the greater the potential for damage.<br><br>1.    Most likely failure less than 150mm in diameter<br>2.    Most likely failure 150-450mm in diameter<br>3.    Most likely failure 450-750mm in diameter<br>4.    Most likely failure more than 750mm in diameter  |                                       |

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|--------------------------------|--|---|
| Target Rating*                 | <p>Rates the use and occupancy of the area that would be struck by the defective part.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Occasional use (eg jogging/cycle track)</li> <li>2. Intermittent use (picnic area, day use parking)</li> <li>3. Frequent use, secondary structure (eg seasonal camping area, storage facilities)</li> <li>4. Constant use, structures (eg year-round use for a number of hours each day, residences)</li> </ol> |   |
| Hazard Rating*                 | Failure potential + size of part + target rating. Add each of the above sections for a number out of 12.   | The final number identifies the degree of risk. The next step is to determine a management strategy. A rating in this column does not condemn a tree but may indicate the need for more investigation and a risk management strategy. |
| Root Zone                      | C Compaction<br>D Damaged / wounded roots (eg by mowers)<br>E Exposed Roots<br>Ga Trees in Garden Bed<br>Gi Girdled Roots<br>Gr Grass<br>K Kerb close to tree<br>L+ Raised soil level<br>L- Lowered soil level<br>M Mulched<br>Pa Paving / concrete / bitumen<br>Pr Roots pruned<br>O Other  | More than one of these may apply  |
| Defects                        | B Borers<br>C Cavity<br>D Decay<br>PF Previous Failures<br>I Inclusions<br>L Lopped<br>M Mistletoe / Parasites<br>S Splits / cracks<br>T Termites<br>F Fungi<br>E Epicormics<br>MD Mechanical Damage<br>O Other  | More than one of these may apply  |
| Services / adjacent structures | Bs Bus stop<br>Bu Building within 3m<br>HVo High voltage open-wire construction<br>HVb High voltage bundled (ABC)<br>LVo Low voltage open-wire construction<br>LVb Low voltage bundled (ABC)<br>Na No services above<br>Nb No services above ground<br>Si Signage<br>Sl Street light<br>T Transmission lines (>33KV)<br>U Underground services<br>O Other  | More than one of these may apply  |
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