

# Natural Environment Referral Response - Biodiversity

Application Number:	DA2019/1518
Date:	17/03/2020
Responsible Officer	Kent Bull
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 1 DP 731649, 28 Wood Street MANLY NSW 2095

### Reasons for referral

This application seeks consent development on land, or within 40m of land, containing:

- All Development Applications on
- Actual or potential threatened species, populations, ecological communities, or their habitats;
- Wildlife corridors;
- Vegetation query stipulating that a Flora and Fauna Assessment is required;
- Vegetation query X type located in both A & C Wards;

And as such, Council's Natural Environment Unit officers are required to consider the likely potential environmental impacts.

#### Officer comments

The proposed development has been assessed against relevant controls of the Manly LEP/DCP and provisions of the NSW Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016. The subject site is within the known distribution of the endangered population of Long-nosed Bandicoots at North Head. Accordingly, assessment of direct and indirect impacts to the endangered population has been undertaken in accordance with Section 7.3 of the BC Act. This assessment concluded that, given that the proposal is generally within the existing development footprint, the proposal can be undertaken without significant impact to the endangered bandicoot population.

The proposal is therefore supported.

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

## **Recommended Natural Environment Conditions:**

# CONDITIONS TO BE SATISFIED PRIOR TO THE ISSUE OF THE CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATE

#### Access to Undercroft Areas – Bandicoot Habitat

Where concealing material is required for any undercroft areas (e.g. under the house, stairs or balcony), gaps are to be established to allow Long-nosed Bandicoot access. Gaps are to be at least 150mm high and 300m wide.

Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Certifying Authority prior to issue of the Construction Certificate.



**Reason:** To maintain bandicoot access to existing and proposed habitat within and surrounding the site.

# CONDITIONS TO BE COMPLIED WITH DURING DEMOLITION AND BUILDING WORK

# **Construction Hours – Manly LEP Clause 6.5**

Construction hours are to be adhered to, with no construction vehicles or heavy machinery used outside the hours of 7:00am and 5:00pm.

**Reason:** Noise and vibration can disturb local native fauna (including threatened species) and prevent access to their natural habitats.

### Pre-clearance Survey Required – Bandicoot Habitat

A pre-clearance survey for Long-nosed Bandicoot activity and presence is required prior to the removal of any vegetation, material or debris stockpiles. Clearing may only proceed if the survey concludes that no Long-nosed Bandicoots are present within the area to be cleared. All clearing must initially be carried out with hand tools to identify whether any bandicoots are sheltering within the area to be cleared (e.g. at the base of vegetation or under deep litter). A record of each inspection is to be made in the daily inspection register log-book. The log-book is to be made available to the Principal Certifying Authority.

**Reason:** To avoid injury or death of Long-nosed Bandicoots which may be utilising stockpiles of vegetation, materials or debris.

# Report Dead or Injured Bandicoots – Bandicoot Habitat

Any injured or dead Long-nosed Bandicoots found within the worksite must be reported to the National Parks & Wildlife Service (9457 9577) or Northern Beaches Council (1300 434 434).

**Reason:** To prevent impacts to Long-nosed Bandicoots in accordance with the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016.

# **ON-GOING CONDITIONS THAT MUST BE COMPLIED WITH AT ALL TIMES**

# Maintain Fauna Access and Landscaping Provisions – Manly LEP Clause 6.5

All fauna access/movement and landscaping provisions specified in these conditions of consent are to be implemented and maintained for the life of the development.

**Reason:** To maintain fauna access to existing and proposed habitat within and surrounding the site.

#### Dead or Injured Wildlife – Manly LEP Clause 6.5

If construction activity associated with this development results in injury or death of a native mammal, bird, reptile or amphibian, a registered wildlife rescue and rehabilitation organisation must be contacted for advice.

Reason: To mitigate potential impacts to native wildlife resulting from construction activity.

#### Fencing for Wildlife Passage

Any new fencing (with the exception of swimming pool fencing) is to be made passable to native wildlife. Hole dimensions are to be a minimum of 150mm wide x 100mm high at ground level spaced at 6 metre intervals.

Reason: Management of wildlife corridors DA2019/1518

