# **DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION ASSESSMENT REPORT**

Application Number:	DA2023/0929		
Responsible Officer:	Nick Keeler		
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 1 DP 243387, 147 McCarrs Creek Road CHURCH POINT NSW 2105		
Proposed Development:	Alterations and additions to a dwelling house		
Zoning:	C4 Environmental Living		
Development Permissible:	Yes		
Existing Use Rights:	No		
Consent Authority:	Northern Beaches Council		
Delegation Level:	DDP		
Land and Environment Court Action:	No		
Owner:	Franziska Goyo		
Applicant:	Franziska Goyo		

Application Lodged:	17/07/2023			
Integrated Development:	No			
Designated Development:	No			
State Reporting Category:	Residential - Alterations and additions			
Notified:	24/07/2023 to 07/08/2023			
Advertised:	Not Advertised			
Submissions Received:	0			
Clause 4.6 Variation:	4.3 Height of buildings: 19.8%			
Recommendation:	Approval			
Estimated Cost of Works:	\$ 45,100.00			

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This development application seeks consent for alterations and additions to a dwelling-house.

The application is referred to the Development Determination Panel (DDP) due to a departure from the height of buildings development standard by more than 10%. The maximum height of the proposed development has been measured at 10.18m, which represents a variation of 19.8% to the prescribed 8.5m building height limit.

The clause 4.6 request for the non-compliance with the building height standard arises from the sloping nature of the site towards the north-west and the existing excavation beneath the dwelling, based on the height measurement under the relevant LEC caselaw known as *Merman*. Based on

extrapolated natural ground levels under the LEC caselaw known as *Bettar*, the height of the balcony roof would be below the 8.5m height limit. The Clause 4.6 variation request in relation to building height is well founded and is supported.

The application was notified in accordance with Council's Community Participation Plan. No submissions have been received.

Overall, it is considered that the proposal has been designed appropriately to remain compatible with the prevailing built form of the locality and will not cause unreasonable impact to the amenity of adjacent properties, including solar access, privacy and view sharing. The proposed additions retain the low density residential character, while being built primarily upon the existing footprint and not resulting in the removal of any significant vegetation or require alteration to the landform.

This report concludes with a recommendation that the DDP support the Clause 4.6 variation and grant **APPROVAL** to the development application, subject to recommended conditions.

## **PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT IN DETAIL**

The applicant seeks development consent for alterations and additions to the existing dwelling including the following elements:

#### First Floor

- Extend existing front deck towards the northwest
- Extend roof to cover deck
- Increase window and door opening to provide new door openings from dining room, kitchen and living room to deck

## Second Floor

- Replace existing deck
- Provide new roof over deck

## **ASSESSMENT INTRODUCTION**

The application has been assessed in accordance with the requirements of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 and the associated Regulations. In this regard:

- An assessment report and recommendation has been prepared (the subject of this report) taking into account all relevant provisions of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, and the associated regulations;
- A site inspection was conducted and consideration has been given to the impacts of the development upon the subject site and adjoining, surrounding and nearby properties;
- Notification to adjoining and surrounding properties, advertisement (where required) and referral to relevant internal and external bodies in accordance with the Act, Regulations and relevant Development Control Plan;
- A review and consideration of all submissions made by the public and community interest groups in relation to the application;

- A review and consideration of all documentation provided with the application (up to the time of determination);
- A review and consideration of all referral comments provided by the relevant Council Officers, State Government Authorities/Agencies and Federal Government Authorities/Agencies on the proposal.

# SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT ISSUES

Pittwater Local Environmental Plan 2014 - 4.6 Exceptions to development standards Pittwater 21 Development Control Plan - D4.6 Side and rear building line

## SITE DESCRIPTION

roperty Description: Lot 1 DP 243387 , 147 McCarrs Creek Road CH POINT NSW 2105			
Detailed Site Description:	The subject site consists of one (1) allotment located on the southern side of McCarrs Creek Road.		
	The site is battle-axe in shape with a frontage of 4.575m along Bakers Road, an access handle length of 49.21m, a width of 45.72m and a depth of 52.47m. The site has a		
	surveyed area of 930.8m² (705.7m <sup>2</sup> excluding the access handle).		
	The site is located within the C4 Environmental Living zone and accommodates a three-storey residential dwelling house and a swimming pool.		
	The site has a complex topography and falls approx. 20m from the southeast towards the northwest (excluding the fall of the access handle) with an average gradient of 39%.		
	The site is predominantly vegetated with several canopy trees and undergrowth vegetation. Several exposed rock outcrops are found throughout the site.		
	Detailed Description of Adjoining/Surrounding Development		
Man <sup>.</sup>	Adjoining and surrounding development is characterised by low density residential dwellings within a bushland setting.		

Map:



# SITE HISTORY

A search of Council's records has revealed that there are no recent or relevant applications for this site.

The land has been used for residential purposes for an extended period of time.

# ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT, 1979 (EPAA)

The relevant matters for consideration under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979, are:

Section 4.15 Matters for Consideration	Comments
Section 4.15 (1) (a)(i) – Provisions of any environmental planning instrument	See discussion on "Environmental Planning Instruments" in this report.
Section 4.15 (1) (a)(ii) – Provisions of any draft environmental planning instrument	There are no current draft environmental planning instruments.
Section 4.15 (1) (a)(iii) – Provisions of any development control plan	Pittwater 21 Development Control Plan applies to this proposal.
Section 4.15 (1) (a)(iiia) – Provisions of any planning agreement	None applicable.
Section 4.15 (1) (a)(iv) – Provisions of the	<u>Part 4, Division 2</u> of the EP&A Regulation 2021 requires the consent authority to consider "Prescribed conditions" of development consent.

Section 4.15 Matters for	Comments
Consideration	
Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021	These matters have been addressed via a condition of consent.
(EP&A Regulation 2021)	<u>Clause 29</u> of the EP&A Regulation 2021 requires the submission of a design verification certificate from the building designer at lodgement of the development application. This clause is not relevant to this application.
	<u>Clauses 36 and 94</u> of the EP&A Regulation 2021 allow Council to request additional information. No additional information was requested in this case.
	<u>Clause 61</u> of the EP&A Regulation 2021 requires the consent authority to consider AS 2601 - 1991: The Demolition of Structures. This matter has been addressed via a condition of consent.
	<u>Clauses 62 and/or 64</u> of the EP&A Regulation 2021 requires the consent authority to consider the upgrading of a building (including fire safety upgrade of development). This clause is not relevant to this application.
	<u>Clause 69</u> of the EP&A Regulation 2021 requires the consent authority to consider insurance requirements under the Home Building Act 1989. This matter has been addressed via a condition of consent.
	<u>Clause 69</u> of the EP&A Regulation 2021 requires the consent authority to consider the provisions of the Building Code of Australia (BCA). This matter has been addressed via a condition of consent.
Section 4.15 (1) (b) – the likely impacts of the development, including environmental impacts on the natural and built environment and social	<ul> <li>(i) Environmental Impact</li> <li>The environmental impacts of the proposed development on the natural and built environment are addressed under the Pittwater 21</li> <li>Development Control Plan section in this report.</li> </ul>
and economic impacts in the locality	(ii) <b>Social Impact</b> The proposed development will not have a detrimental social impact in the locality considering the character of the proposal.
	(iii) <b>Economic Impact</b> The proposed development will not have a detrimental economic impact on the locality considering the nature of the existing and proposed land use.
Section 4.15 (1) (c) – the suitability of the site for the development	The site is considered suitable for the proposed development.
Section 4.15 (1) (d) – any submissions made in accordance with the EPA Act or EPA Regs	See discussion on "Notification & Submissions Received" in this report.

Section 4.15 Matters for Consideration	Comments
	No matters have arisen in this assessment that would justify the refusal of the application in the public interest.

#### **EXISTING USE RIGHTS**

Existing Use Rights are not applicable to this application.

## **BUSHFIRE PRONE LAND**

The site is classified as bush fire prone land. Section 4.14 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 requires Council to be satisfied that the development conforms to the specifications and requirements of the version (as prescribed by the regulations) of the document entitled Planning for Bush Fire Protection.

A Bush Fire Report was submitted with the application (prepared by Bushfire Consultancy Australia, dated 16/05/2023). The report stated that the bushfire attack level of the site is "Flame Zone".

The application was referred to the NSW Rural Fire Service for further assessment. The NSW RFS raised no objections to approval, subject to conditions. The recommendations of the Bush Fire Report , along with the conditions from the NSW RFS have been included as part of the recommended conditions of consent.

## **NOTIFICATION & SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED**

The subject development application has been publicly exhibited from 24/07/2023 to 07/08/2023 in accordance with the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021 and the Community Participation Plan.

As a result of the public exhibition of the application Council received no submissions.

## REFERRALS

Internal Referral Body	Comments
NECC (Bushland and Biodiversity)	Additional Comments - 19/09/2023 It is noted that RFS have submitted their recommendation that "from the start of building works, and in perpetuity to ensure ongoing protection from the impact of bush fires, the property must be managed as an inner protection area (IPA) for a distance of 10 meters from the proposed works (or to the property boundary if closer) in accordance with the requirements of Appendix 4 of Planning for Bush Fire Protection 2019".
	As no prescribed trees or vegetation will be removed as a result of the proposed development, nor will Biodiversity Values within the site be impacted, Council's Biodiversity referrals team raise no objections, subject to conditions.
	Original Comments - 25/07/2023 The proposal seeks approval for alterations and additions to a

Internal Referral Body	Comments			
	dwelling house. The comments in this referral relate to the following applicable controls and provisions:			
	<ul> <li>NSW Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016</li> <li>NSW Biodiversity Conservation Regulation 2017</li> <li>Planning for Bushfire Protection 2019 (PBP 2019)</li> <li>SEPP (Resilience and Hazards) 2021 - Littoral Rainforest and Proximity Area</li> </ul>			
	Portions of the site are identified on the Department of Planning and Environment's Biodiversity Values Map (BV Map). Under the NSW Biodiversity Conservation Act, any removal of native vegetation from within mapped areas will trigger the Biodiversity Offsets Scheme (BOS) and the requirement for a Biodiversity Development Assessment Report (BDAR). However, the submitted plans and documentation indicate that the proposed works are located outside of the BV Map area and therefore will not trigger entry into the BOS.			
	No arborist report has been submitted with the application with works taking place within 5 metres of an existing tree. However, a desktop survey has confirmed that the tree identified in the Plan - Survey is an <i>Archontophoenix cunninghamiana</i> (Bangalow palm) palm which is exempt and may be removed without consent.			
	A bushfire report has been submitted with the application and has awarded the site a BAL-FZ (Flame zone) risk level. As the bushfire report has awarded a Flame Zone risk level to the property, a referral to the RFS is required. The Biodiversity referral assessment will continue upon reception of this referral.			

External Referral Body	Comments
Ausgrid - SEPP (Transport and Infrastructure) 2021, s2.48	The proposal was referred to Ausgrid who provided a response stating that the proposal is acceptable subject to compliance with the relevant Ausgrid Network Standards and SafeWork NSW Codes of Practice. These recommendations will be included as a condition of consent.
Rural Fire Service - Local Branch - EP&A Act, s4.14	The NSW Rural Fire Service has considered the information submitted and raises no objection to the proposed development, subject to conditions.
Aboriginal Heritage Office	No sites are recorded in the current development area and the area has been subject to previous disturbance reducing the likelihood of surviving unrecorded Aboriginal sites.
	Given the above, the Aboriginal Heritage Office considers that there are no Aboriginal heritage issues for the proposed development.
	Under the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974 (NPW Act) all

External Referral Body	Comments
	Aboriginal objects are protected. Should any Aboriginal Cultural Heritage items be uncovered during earthworks, works should cease in the area and the Aboriginal Heritage Office assess the finds. Under Section 89a of the NPW Act should the objects be found to be Aboriginal, Heritage NSW and the Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council (MLALC) should be contacted.

# **ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING INSTRUMENTS (EPIs)\***

All, Environmental Planning Instruments (SEPPs and LEPs), Development Controls Plans and Council Policies have been considered in the merit assessment of this application.

In this regard, whilst all provisions of each Environmental Planning Instruments (SEPPs and LEPs), Development Controls Plans and Council Policies have been considered in the assessment, many provisions contained within the document are not relevant or are enacting, definitions and operational provisions which the proposal is considered to be acceptable against.

As such, an assessment is provided against the controls relevant to the merit consideration of the application hereunder.

# State Environmental Planning Policies (SEPPs) and State Regional Environmental Plans (SREPs)

# SEPP (Transport and Infrastructure) 2021

## <u>Ausgrid</u>

Section 2.48 of Chapter 2 requires the Consent Authority to consider any development application (or an application for modification of consent) for any development carried out:

- within or immediately adjacent to an easement for electricity purposes (whether or not the electricity infrastructure exists).
- immediately adjacent to an electricity substation.
- within 5.0m of an overhead power line.
- includes installation of a swimming pool any part of which is: within 30m of a structure supporting an overhead electricity transmission line and/or within 5.0m of an overhead electricity power line.

## Comment:

The proposal was referred to Ausgrid who raised no objections.

## SEPP (Resilience and Hazards) 2021

## Chapter 2 – Coastal Management

The site is subject to Chapter 2 of the SEPP. Accordingly, an assessment under Chapter 2 has been

carried out as follows:

# Division 1 Coastal Wetlands and littoral rainforest area 2.7 Development on certain land within coastal wetlands and littoral rainforests area

- 1) The following may be carried out on land identified as "coastal wetlands" or "littoral rainforest" on the Coastal Wetlands and Littoral Rainforests Area Map only with development consent:
  - a) the clearing of native vegetation within the meaning of Part 5A of the Local Land Services Act 2013,
  - b) the harm of marine vegetation within the meaning of Division 4 of Part 7 of the Fisheries Management Act 1994,
  - c) the carrying out of any of the following:
    - i) earthworks (including the depositing of material on land),
    - ii) constructing a levee,
    - iii) draining the land,
    - iv) environmental protection works,
  - d) any other development

## Comment:

The access handle of the site is partially located in an area identified as littoral rainforest. The proposed works fall outside of this area, therefore this section is considered to be satified.

## 2.8 Development on land in proximity to coastal wetlands or littoral rainforest

- 1) Development consent must not be granted to development on land identified as "proximity area for coastal wetlands" or "proximity area for littoral rainforest" on the Coastal Wetlands and Littoral Rainforests Area Map unless the consent authority is satisfied that the proposed development will not significantly impact on:
  - a) the biophysical, hydrological or ecological integrity of the adjacent coastal wetland or littoral rainforest, or
  - b) the quantity and quality of surface and ground water flows to and from the adjacent coastal wetland or littoral rainforest.

## Comment:

Council is satisfied the proposed development is appropriately designed and sited in a manner that avoids adverse impact to the nearby littoral rainforest.

## **Division 5 General**

# 2.12 Development in coastal zone generally—development not to increase risk of coastal hazards

Development consent must not be granted to development on land within the coastal zone unless the consent authority is satisfied that the proposed development is not likely to cause increased risk of coastal hazards on that land or other land.

## Comment:

Council is satisfied the proposed development will not cause an increased risk of coastal hazards on the site or surrounding land.

# 2.13 Development in coastal zone generally—coastal management programs to be considered

Development consent must not be granted to development on land within the coastal zone unless the consent authority has taken into consideration the relevant provisions of any certified coastal management program that applies to the land.

## Comment:

All relevant provisions of applicable certified coastal management programs have been considered as part of the assessment of the application.

As such, it is considered that the application complies with the requirements of Chapter 2 of the State Environmental Planning Policy (Resilience and Hazards) 2021.

## Chapter 4 – Remediation of Land

Sub-section 4.6 (1)(a) of Chapter 4 requires the Consent Authority to consider whether land is contaminated. Council records indicate that the subject site has been used for residential purposes for a significant period of time with no prior land uses. In this regard it is considered that the site poses no risk of contamination and therefore, no further consideration is required under sub-section 4.6 (1)(b) and (c) of this Chapter and the land is considered to be suitable for the residential land use.

# Pittwater Local Environmental Plan 2014

Is the development permissible?	Yes	
After consideration of the merits of the proposal, is the development consistent with:		
aims of the LEP?	Yes	
zone objectives of the LEP?	Yes	

## Principal Development Standards

Standard	Requirement	Proposed	% Variation	Complies
Height of Buildings	8.5m	10.18m	19.8%	No

#### **Compliance Assessment**

Clause	Compliance with Requirements
4.3 Height of buildings	No
4.6 Exceptions to development standards	Yes
7.1 Acid sulfate soils	Yes
7.2 Earthworks	Yes
7.6 Biodiversity protection	Yes
7.7 Geotechnical hazards	Yes

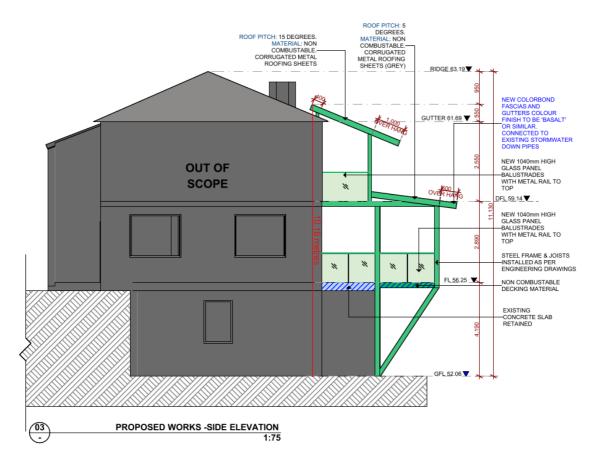
Clause	Compliance with Requirements
7.10 Essential services	Yes

#### **Detailed Assessment**

#### 4.6 Exceptions to development standards

#### **Description of Non-compliance**

Development standard:	Height of Buildings
Requirement:	8.5m
Proposed:	10.18m
Percentage variation to requirement:	19.8%



#### Assessment of request to vary a development standard:

The following assessment of the variation to Clause 4.3 - Height of Buildings development standard, has taken into consideration the recent judgement contained within *Initial Action Pty Ltd v Woollahra Municipal Council* [2018] NSWLEC 118, Baron Corporation Pty Limited v Council of the City of Sydney [2019] NSWLEC 61, and Rebel/MH Neutral Bay Pty Limited v North Sydney Council [2019] NSWCA 130.

Clause 4.6 Exceptions to development standards:

(1) The objectives of this clause are as follows:

(a) to provide an appropriate degree of flexibility in applying certain development standards to particular development,

(b) to achieve better outcomes for and from development by allowing flexibility in particular circumstances.

(2) Development consent may, subject to this clause, be granted for development even though the development would contravene a development standard imposed by this or any other environmental planning instrument. However, this clause does not apply to a development standard that is expressly excluded from the operation of this clause.

# Comment:

Clause 4.3 - Height of Buildings development standard is not expressly excluded from the operation of this clause.

(3) Development consent must not be granted for development that contravenes a development standard unless the consent authority has considered a written request from the applicant that seeks to justify the contravention of the development standard by demonstrating:

(a) that compliance with the development standard is unreasonable or unnecessary in the circumstances of the case, and

(b) that there are sufficient environmental planning grounds to justify contravening the development standard.

(4) Development consent must not be granted for development that contravenes a development standard unless:

(a) the consent authority is satisfied that:

*(i) the applicant's written request has adequately addressed the matters required to be demonstrated by subclause (3), and* 

(ii) the proposed development will be in the public interest because it is consistent with the objectives of the particular standard and the objectives for development within the zone in which the development is proposed to be carried out, and

(b) the concurrence of the Secretary has been obtained.

# Clause 4.6 (4)(a)(i) (Justification) Assessment

Clause 4.6 (4)(a)(i) requires the consent authority to be satisfied that the applicant's written request, seeking to justify the contravention of the development standard, has adequately addressed the matters required to be demonstrated by cl 4.6(3). There are two separate matters for consideration contained within cl 4.6(3) and these are addressed as follows:

(a) that compliance with the development standard is unreasonable or unnecessary in the circumstances of the case, and

## Comment:

The Applicant's written request has demonstrated that the objectives of the development standard are achieved, notwithstanding the non-compliance with the development standard.

In doing so, the Applicant's written request has adequately demonstrated that compliance with the development standard is unreasonable or unnecessary in the circumstances of this case as required by cl 4.6(3)(a).

(b) that there are sufficient environmental planning grounds to justify contravening the development standard.

## Comment:

In the matter of Initial Action Pty Ltd v Woollahra Municipal Council [2018] NSWLEC 118, Preston CJ provides the following guidance (para 23) to inform the consent authority's finding that the applicant's written request has adequately demonstrated that there are sufficient environmental planning grounds to justify contravening the development standard:

'As to the second matter required by cl 4.6(3)(b), the grounds relied on by the applicant in the written request under cl 4.6 must be "environmental planning grounds" by their nature: see Four2Five Pty Ltd v Ashfield Council [2015] NSWLEC 90 at [26]. The adjectival phrase "environmental planning" is not defined, but would refer to grounds that relate to the subject matter, scope and purpose of the EPA Act, including the objects in s 1.3 of the EPA Act.'

s 1.3 of the EPA Act reads as follows:

1.3 Objects of Act(cf previous s 5)

The objects of this Act are as follows:

(a) to promote the social and economic welfare of the community and a better environment by the proper management, development and conservation of the State's natural and other resources,
(b) to facilitate ecologically sustainable development by integrating relevant economic, environmental and social considerations in decision-making about environmental planning and assessment,
(c) to promote the orderly and economic use and development of land,

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(d) to promote the delivery and maintenance of affordable housing,

(e) to protect the environment, including the conservation of threatened and other species of native animals and plants, ecological communities and their habitats,

(f) to promote the sustainable management of built and cultural heritage (including Aboriginal cultural heritage),

(g) to promote good design and amenity of the built environment,

(*h*) to promote the proper construction and maintenance of buildings, including the protection of the health and safety of their occupants,

*(i) to promote the sharing of the responsibility for environmental planning and assessment between the different levels of government in the State,* 

*(j)* to provide increased opportunity for community participation in environmental planning and assessment.

## **Applicants Written Request**

The applicants written request argues, in part:

It is evident that the existing dwelling required excavation, altering the ground level from which height is now measured. Based on the assumed ground line ... the roof of the deck remains below the maximum 8.5 metre height limit. In accordance with the findings of Commissioner O'Neill in Merman Investments Pty Ltd v Woollahra Municipal Council [2021] NSWLEC 1582 prior excavation within the building footprint constitutes an environmental planning ground within the meaning of cl.4.6(3)(b) of the LEP.

The provision of the roof over the deck also provides positive planning outcomes including reducing the perceived bulk and improving the visual appearance of the front façade of the building, providing weather protection to the deck and shade for north-west facing windows enabling a more sustainable building and greater amenity for residents.

On this basis it is evident that there are sufficient environmental planning grounds to justify noncompliance with the 8.5 metre height control.

The applicant has satisfactorily demonstrated that the works are consistent with the objects of the EP&A Act, specifically the following objects of the EP&A Act:

- The building height is artificially accentuated due to the existing area of excavation relative to the prevailing slope of the site and surrounds.
- The proposed development generally maintains the pattern of the neighbourhood including predominant heights.
- The development promotes good design and amenity of the built environment, noting that the dwelling house integrates and works with the sloping topography of the property while maintaining suitable amenity for adjoining properties.

In this regard, the applicant's written request has demonstrated that the proposed development is an orderly and economic use and development of the land, and that the structure is of a good design that will reasonably protect and improve the amenity of the surrounding built environment, therefore satisfying cls 1.3 (c) and (g) of the EPA Act.

Therefore, the applicant's written request has adequately demonstrated that there are sufficient environmental planning grounds to justify contravening the development standard as required by cl 4.6 (3)(b).

Therefore, Council is satisfied that the applicant's written request has adequately addressed the matters required to be demonstrated by cl 4.6(3).

# Clause 4.6 (4)(a)(ii) (Public Interest) Assessment

cl 4.6 (4)(a)(ii) requires the consent authority to be satisfied that:

(ii) the proposed development will be in the public interest because it is consistent with the objectives of the particular standard and the objectives for development within the zone in which the development is proposed to be carried out

## Comment:

In considering whether or not the proposed development will be in the public interest, consideration must be given to the underlying objectives of the Height of Buildings development standard and the objectives of the C4 Environmental Living zone. An assessment against these objectives is provided below.

## **Objectives of Development Standard**

The underlying objectives of the standard, pursuant to Clause 4.3 – 'Height of buildings' of the PLEP 2014 are:

(1) The objectives of this clause are as follows:

a) to ensure that any building, by virtue of its height and scale, is consistent with the desired character of the locality,

#### Comment:

While the proposal includes some numerically non-compliant built form elements, the bulk and scale of the development is considered to be reasonably managed to limit impact on other properties, given the geographical characteristics of the site and surrounds. The proposed development will not impact upon the existing and desired streetscape character as the dwelling is not readily viewable from McCarrs Creek Road.

*b)* to ensure that buildings are compatible with the height and scale of surrounding and nearby development,

#### Comment:

The height and scale of the proposed garage and dwelling is generally consistent with that of similar structures and dwellings in the site vicinity.

c) to minimise any overshadowing of neighbouring properties,

#### Comment:

The proposed development will not cause unreasonable overshadowing of adjacent properties.

d) to allow for the reasonable sharing of views,

#### Comment:

No views or vistas are expected to be unreasonably impacted as a result of the development

e) to encourage buildings that are designed to respond sensitively to the natural topography,

#### Comment:

The proposed development is appropriately stepped to respond with the steep topography of the site while also ensuring functional residential development can be provided on the site.

*f*) to minimise the adverse visual impact of development on the natural environment, heritage conservation areas and heritage items,

#### Comment:

Existing trees and vegetation are to be retained. The existing canopy trees and vegetation on and around the site will soften the built form and its visual impact on the natural environment.

## **Zone Objectives**

The underlying objectives of the C4 Environmental Living zone are:

• To provide for low-impact residential development in areas with special ecological, scientific or aesthetic values.

Comment:

Through its design and siting, the proposed development is considered to have low impact on the ecological and aesthetic values of the site.

• To ensure that residential development does not have an adverse effect on those values.

#### Comment:

The proposed development is not expected to cause adverse impacts to the ecological and aesthetic values on the site.

• To provide for residential development of a low density and scale integrated with the landform and landscape.

#### Comment:

The proposed development provides for a low density residential dwelling with ancillary structures that provide greater functionality than the existing conditions.

• To encourage development that retains and enhances riparian and foreshore vegetation and wildlife corridors.

#### Comment:

The proposed development is not expected to cause unreasonable impact to wildlife corridors that the site may contain.

#### **Conclusion**

For the reasons detailed above, the proposal is considered to be consistent with the objectives of the C4 Environmental Living zone.

## Clause 4.6 (4)(b) (Concurrence of the Secretary) Assessment

cl. 4.6(4)(b) requires the concurrence of the Secretary to be obtained in order for development consent to be granted.

Planning Circular PS20-002 dated 5 May 2020, as issued by the NSW Department of Planning, advises that the concurrence of the Secretary may be assumed for exceptions to development standards under environmental planning instruments that adopt Clause 4.6 of the Standard Instrument. In this regard, given the consistency of the variation to the objectives of the zone, and in accordance with correspondence from the Deputy Secretary on 2 November 2021, Council staff under the delegation of the Development Determination Panel, may assume the concurrence of the Secretary for variations to the Height of building Development Standard associated with a single dwelling house (Class 1 building).

#### Pittwater 21 Development Control Plan

Built Form Controls				
Built Form Control	Requirement	Proposed	% Variation	Complies

Front building line	6.5m	57m	N/A	Yes
Rear building line	6.5m	Front of dwelling	N/A	Yes
Side building line	W - 2.5m	1.7m	32%	No
	NE - 1m	1.25m	N/A	Yes
Building envelope	W - 3.5m	Within envelope	N/A	Yes
	NE - 3.5m	Within envelope	N/A	Yes
Landscaped area	60% (558.5m <sup>2</sup> )	Unaltered	N/A	As existing

# Compliance Assessment

Clause	Compliance with Requirements	Consistency Aims/Objectives
A1.7 Considerations before consent is granted	Yes	Yes
A4.4 Church Point and Bayview Locality	Yes	Yes
B1.3 Heritage Conservation - General	Yes	Yes
B1.4 Aboriginal Heritage Significance	Yes	Yes
B3.1 Landslip Hazard	Yes	Yes
B3.2 Bushfire Hazard	Yes	Yes
B3.6 Contaminated Land and Potentially Contaminated Land	Yes	Yes
B4.18 Heathland/Woodland Vegetation	Yes	Yes
B5.15 Stormwater	Yes	Yes
B6.1 Access driveways and Works on the Public Road Reserve	Yes	Yes
B6.2 Internal Driveways	Yes	Yes
B6.3 Off-Street Vehicle Parking Requirements	Yes	Yes
B8.1 Construction and Demolition - Excavation and Landfill	Yes	Yes
B8.3 Construction and Demolition - Waste Minimisation	Yes	Yes
C1.1 Landscaping	Yes	Yes
C1.2 Safety and Security	Yes	Yes
C1.3 View Sharing	Yes	Yes
C1.4 Solar Access	Yes	Yes
C1.5 Visual Privacy	Yes	Yes
C1.6 Acoustic Privacy	Yes	Yes
C1.7 Private Open Space	Yes	Yes
C1.12 Waste and Recycling Facilities	Yes	Yes
C1.13 Pollution Control	Yes	Yes
C1.23 Eaves	Yes	Yes
D4.1 Character as viewed from a public place	Yes	Yes
D4.2 Scenic protection - General	Yes	Yes
D4.3 Building colours and materials	Yes	Yes
D4.5 Front building line	Yes	Yes

Clause	Compliance with Requirements	Consistency Aims/Objectives
D4.6 Side and rear building line	No	Yes
D4.8 Building envelope	Yes	Yes
D4.10 Landscaped Area - Environmentally Sensitive Land	Yes	Yes
D4.13 Construction, Retaining walls, terracing and undercroft areas	Yes	Yes

## **Detailed Assessment**

## D4.6 Side and rear building line

## **Description of Non-compliance**

The control prescribes a side setback of 2.5m to one side and 1.0m to the other sides and a rear setback of 6.5m. For this assessment, the 2.5m side building line applied to the western boundaries and the 1.0m side building line is applied to the northeastern boundary. The rear setback building line is applied to the southern boundary.

The proposed development is setback 1.7m from the western side boundary, which is a 32% variation to the control requirement.

The proposed development demonstrates compliance with all other building setback requirements.

## **Merit Consideration**

With regard to the consideration of a variation, the proposed development is considered against the underlying outcomes of the control as follows:

• To achieve the desired future character of the Locality.

#### Comment:

The proposed works will maintain a low density residential build, with spatial proportions that are considered consistent with the surrounding development. The works will achieve the desired future character of the Church Point and Bayview Locality.

• The bulk and scale of the built form is minimised.

#### Comment:

The side and rear setback areas consists of well-maintained landscaped areas including various shrubs and trees, the vegetation will aid in the mitigation of any perceivable bulk and scale. The proposal retains existing rear setback and is expected to be of a built form that is compatible with the surrounding streetscape. In addition, existing canopy trees on site will be maintained to continue to soften the built form.

• Equitable preservation of views and vistas to and/or from public/private places.

## Comment:

The proposed works are positioned in an acceptable manner and are not considered to result in unacceptable view loss to surrounding private properties or the public domain.

• To encourage view sharing through complimentary siting of buildings, responsive design and well-positioned landscaping.

## Comment:

As above, the proposal is not considered to result in unacceptable view loss.

• To ensure a reasonable level of privacy, amenity and solar access is provided within the development site and maintained to residential properties.

# Comment:

It is considered that the proposal provides adequate spatial separation between adjoining buildings and will not cause any unreasonable overshadowing. The works are not considered to unacceptably impact upon the amenity or reduce privacy levels the to neighbouring properties.

• Substantial landscaping, a mature tree canopy and an attractive streetscape.

## Comment:

As mentioned above, the site will retain existing canopy trees and will comprise of amply vegetation within the building setbacks. The proposed works do not necessitate in the removal of any significant trees or plantings and is considered to continue to aid in the visual reduction of the the built form.

• Flexibility in the siting of buildings and access.

## Comment:

The proposal maintains the original access arrangements on site and will remain flexible in terms of the siting of the building.

• Vegetation is retained and enhanced to visually reduce the built form.

## Comment:

The existing vegetation and mature trees on site will be retained and will continue to enhance and reduce the built form of the development. In addition, the proposal provides a compliant landscaped area. • To ensure a landscaped buffer between commercial and residential zones is established.

Comment:

Not applicable.

Having regard to the above assessment, it is concluded that the proposed development is consistent with the relevant objectives of P21DCP and the objectives specified in s1.3 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979. Accordingly, this assessment finds that the proposal is **supported**, in this particular circumstance.

# THREATENED SPECIES, POPULATIONS OR ECOLOGICAL COMMUNITIES

The proposal will not significantly affect threatened species, populations or ecological communities, or their habitats.

# **CRIME PREVENTION THROUGH ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN**

The proposal is consistent with the principles of Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design.

# POLICY CONTROLS

# Northern Beaches Section 7.12 Contributions Plan 2022

As the estimated cost of works is less than \$100,001.00 the policy is not applicable to the assessment of this application.

# CONCLUSION

The site has been inspected and the application assessed having regard to all documentation submitted by the applicant and the provisions of:

- Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979;
- Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021;
- All relevant and draft Environmental Planning Instruments;
- Pittwater Local Environment Plan;
- Pittwater Development Control Plan; and
- Codes and Policies of Council.

This assessment has taken into consideration the submitted plans, Statement of Environmental Effects, all other documentation supporting the application and public submissions, and does not result in any unreasonable impacts on surrounding, adjoining, adjacent and nearby properties subject to the conditions contained within the recommendation.

In consideration of the proposal and the merit consideration of the development, the proposal is considered to be:

- Consistent with the objectives of the DCP
- Consistent with the zone objectives of the LEP

- Consistent with the aims of the LEP
- Consistent with the objectives of the relevant EPIs

• Consistent with the objects of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 Council is satisfied that:

1) The Applicant's written request under Clause 4.6 of the Pittwater Local Environmental Plan 2014 seeking to justify a contravention of Clause 4.3 Height of Buildings has adequately addressed and demonstrated that:

a) Compliance with the standard is unreasonable or unnecessary in the circumstances of the case; and

b) There are sufficient environmental planning grounds to justify the contravention.

2) The proposed development will be in the public interest because it is consistent with the objectives of the standard and the objectives for development within the zone in which the development is proposed to be carried out.

# PLANNING CONCLUSION

This proposal, for alterations and additions to a dwelling house has been referred to the Development Determination Panel (DDP) due to the development exceeding the building height development standard by more than 10%.

The critical assessment issues are the variations to the permitted building height and side setback.

The Clause 4.6 variation request in relation to building height is well founded and is supported.

Overall, the development is a high quality design that performs well against the relevant controls and will not result in unreasonable impacts on adjoining or nearby properties, or the natural environment.

The proposal is referred to the DDP with a recommendation that the Panel support the Clause 4.6 variation and **APPROVE** the application.

It is considered that the proposed development satisfies the appropriate controls and that all processes and assessments have been satisfactorily addressed.

## RECOMMENDATION

That Northern Beaches Council as the consent authority permits a contravention of clause 4.3 Height of Building development standard pursuant to clause 4.6 of the PLEP 2014 as the applicant's written request has adequately addressed the merits required to be demonstrated by subclause (3) and the proposed development will be in the public interest and is consistent with the objectives of the standard and the objectives for development within the zone in which the development is proposed to be carried out.

Accordingly Council as the consent authority grant Development Consent to DA2023/0929 for Alterations and additions to a dwelling house on land at Lot 1 DP 243387, 147 McCarrs Creek Road, CHURCH POINT, subject to the conditions printed below:

## **Terms and Reasons for Conditions**

Under section 88(1)(c) of the EP&A Regulation, the consent authority must provide the terms of all conditions and reasons for imposing the conditions other than the conditions prescribed under section 4.17(11) of the EP&A Act. The terms of the conditions and reasons are set out below.

# **GENERAL CONDITIONS**

# 1. Approved Plans and Supporting Documentation

Development must be carried out in accordance with the following approved plans (stamped by Council) and supporting documentation, except where the conditions of this consent expressly require otherwise.

Approve	Approved Plans				
Plan Number	Revision Number	Plan Title	Drawn By	Date of Plan	
ID001	P4	Site Plan	Unnamed	30/09/2023	
ID004	P4	Proposed Plan GF	Unnamed	30/09/2023	
ID004	P4	Demo Plan First Floor	Unnamed	30/09/2023	
ID004	P4	Proposed Plan First Floor	Unnamed	30/09/2023	
ID004	P4	Demo Plan Second Floor	Unnamed	30/09/2023	
ID004	P4	Proposed Layout Plan Second Floor	Unnamed	30/09/2023	
ID004	P4	Proposed Elevation	Unnamed	30/09/2023	
ID004	P4	Proposed Elevation	Unnamed	30/09/2023	
ID004	P4	Proposed Elevation	Unnamed	30/09/2023	

Approved Reports and Documentation			
Document Title	Version Number	Prepared By	Date of Document
Bushfire Assessment Report (Ref: 147Mcc-01)	-	Bushfire Consultancy Australia	16/05/2023
Geotechnical Site Inspection (Ref: P2309633JC01V02)	-	Martens Consulting Engineers	01/06/2023
Waste Management Plan	-	Unnamed	Undated

In the event of any inconsistency between the approved plans, reports and documentation, the approved plans prevail.

In the event of any inconsistency with the approved plans and a condition of this consent, the condition prevails.

Reason: To ensure all parties are aware of the approved plans and supporting documentation that applies to the development.

# 2. Compliance with Other Department, Authority or Service Requirements

The development must be carried out in compliance with all recommendations and requirements, excluding general advice, within the following:

Other Department, Authority or Service	EDMS Reference	Dated
Ausgrid	Ausgrid Referral Response	26/07/2023

(NOTE: For a copy of the above referenced document/s, please see Application Tracking on Council's website <u>www.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au</u>)

Reason: To ensure the work is carried out in accordance with the determination and the statutory requirements of other departments, authorities or bodies.

# 3. Approved Land Use

Nothing in this consent shall authorise the use of the site beyond the definition of a *dwelling house*, in accordance with the Dictionary of the Pittwater Local Environmental Plan 2014.

Any variation to the approved land use beyond the scope of the above definition will require the submission to Council of a new development application.

Reason: To ensure compliance with the terms of this consent.

## 4. Prescribed Conditions

- (a) All building works must be carried out in accordance with the requirements of the Building Code of Australia (BCA).
- (b) BASIX affected development must comply with the schedule of BASIX commitments specified within the submitted BASIX Certificate (demonstrated compliance upon plans/specifications is required prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate);
- (c) A sign must be erected in a prominent position on any site on which building work, subdivision work or demolition work is being carried out:
  - (i) showing the name, address and telephone number of the Principal Certifier for the work, and
  - (ii) showing the name of the principal contractor (if any) for any building work and a telephone number on which that person may be contacted outside working hours, and
  - (iii) stating that unauthorised entry to the work site is prohibited.

Any such sign is to be maintained while the building work, subdivision work or demolition work is being carried out, but must be removed when the work has been completed.

- (d) Residential building work within the meaning of the Home Building Act 1989 must not be carried out unless the Principal Certifier for the development to which the work relates (not being the Council) has given the Council written notice of the following information:
  - (i) in the case of work for which a principal contractor is required to be appointed:

- A. the name and licence number of the principal contractor, and
- B. the name of the insurer by which the work is insured under Part 6 of that Act,
- (ii) in the case of work to be done by an owner-builder:
  - A. the name of the owner-builder, and
  - B. if the owner-builder is required to hold an owner-builder permit under that Act, the number of the owner-builder permit.

If arrangements for doing the residential building work are changed while the work is in progress so that the information notified under becomes out of date, further work must not be carried out unless the Principal Certifier for the development to which the work relates (not being the Council) has given the Council written notice of the updated information.

- (e) Development that involves an excavation that extends below the level of the base of the footings of a building on adjoining land, the person having the benefit of the development consent must, at the person's own expense:
  - (i) protect and support the adjoining premises from possible damage from the excavation, and
  - (ii) where necessary, underpin the adjoining premises to prevent any such damage.
  - (iii) must, at least 7 days before excavating below the level of the base of the footings of a building on an adjoining allotment of land, give notice of intention to do so to the owner of the adjoining allotment of land and furnish particulars of the excavation to the owner of the building being erected or demolished.
  - (iv) the owner of the adjoining allotment of land is not liable for any part of the cost of work carried out for the purposes of this clause, whether carried out on the allotment of land being excavated or on the adjoining allotment of land.

In this clause, allotment of land includes a public road and any other public place.

Reason: Legislative requirement.

# 5. General Requirements

- (a) Unless authorised by Council:
  - Building construction and delivery of material hours are restricted to:
    - 7.00 am to 5.00 pm inclusive Monday to Friday,
    - 8.00 am to 1.00 pm inclusive on Saturday,
    - No work on Sundays and Public Holidays.

Demolition and excavation works are restricted to:

• 8.00 am to 5.00 pm Monday to Friday only.

(Excavation work includes the use of any excavation machinery and the use of jackhammers, rock breakers, excavators, loaders and the like, regardless of whether the activities disturb or alter the natural state of the existing ground stratum or are breaking up/removing materials from the site).

- (b) Should any asbestos be uncovered on site, its demolition and removal must be carried out in accordance with WorkCover requirements and the relevant Australian Standards.
- (c) At all times after the submission the Notice of Commencement to Council, a copy of the Development Consent and Construction Certificate is to remain onsite at all times

until the issue of an Occupation Certificate. The consent shall be available for perusal of any Authorised Officer.

- (d) Where demolition works have been completed and new construction works have not commenced within 4 weeks of the completion of the demolition works that area affected by the demolition works shall be fully stabilised and the site must be maintained in a safe and clean state until such time as new construction works commence.
- (e) Onsite toilet facilities (being either connected to the sewer or an accredited sewer management facility) for workers are to be provided for construction sites at a rate of 1 per 20 persons.
- (f) Prior to the release of the Construction Certificate, payment of the following is required:
  - Long Service Levy Payment should be made to Service NSW (online or in person) or alternatively to Northern Beaches Council in person at a Customer Service Centre. Payment is not required where the value of the works is less than \$250,000. The Long Service Levy is calculated on 0.25% of the building and construction work. The levy rate and level in which it applies is subject to legislative change. The applicable fee at the time of payment of the Long Service Levy will apply.
  - ii) Section 7.11 or Section 7.12 Contributions Plan Payment must be made to Northern Beaches Council. Where the subject land to which the development is proposed is subject to either a Section 7.11 or 7.12 Contributions Plan, any contribution to which the development is liable under the respective plan that applies is to be paid to Council. The outstanding contribution will be indexed at time of payment in accordance with the relevant Contributions Plan.
- (g) The applicant shall bear the cost of all works associated with the development that occurs on Council's property.
- (h) No skip bins, building materials, demolition or excavation waste of any nature, and no hoist, plant or machinery (crane, concrete pump or lift) shall be placed on Council's footpaths, roadways, parks or grass verges without Council Approval.
- (i) Demolition materials and builders' wastes are to be removed to approved waste/recycling centres.
- (j) No trees or native shrubs or understorey vegetation on public property (footpaths, roads, reserves, etc.), on the land to be developed, or within adjoining properties, shall be removed or damaged during excavation or construction unless specifically approved in this consent including for the erection of any fences, hoardings or other temporary works.
- (k) Prior to the commencement of any development onsite for:
  - i) Building/s that are to be erected
  - ii) Building/s that are situated in the immediate vicinity of a public place and is dangerous to persons or property on or in the public place
  - iii) Building/s that are to be demolished
  - iv) For any work/s that is to be carried out
  - v) For any work/s that is to be demolished

The person responsible for the development site is to erect or install on or around the development area such temporary structures or appliances (wholly within the development site) as are necessary to protect persons or property and to prevent unauthorised access to the site in order for the land or premises to be maintained in a

safe or healthy condition. Upon completion of the development, such temporary structures or appliances are to be removed within 7 days.

- (I) A "Road Opening Permit" must be obtained from Council, and all appropriate charges paid, prior to commencement of any work on Council property. The owner/applicant shall be responsible for all public utilities and services in the area of the work, shall notify all relevant Authorities, and bear all costs associated with any repairs and/or adjustments as those Authorities may deem necessary.
- (m) The works must comply with the relevant Ausgrid Network Standards and SafeWork NSW Codes of Practice.
- (n) Requirements for new swimming pools/spas or existing swimming pools/spas affected by building works.
  - (1) Child resistant fencing is to be provided to any swimming pool or lockable cover to any spa containing water and is to be consistent with the following;

Relevant legislative requirements and relevant Australian Standards (including but not limited) to:

- (i) Swimming Pools Act 1992
- (ii) Swimming Pools Amendment Act 2009
- (iii) Swimming Pools Regulation 2018
- (iv) Australian Standard AS1926 Swimming Pool Safety
- (v) Australian Standard AS1926.1 Part 1: Safety barriers for swimming pools
- (vi) Australian Standard AS1926.2 Part 2: Location of safety barriers for swimming pools.
- (2) A 'KEEP WATCH' pool safety and aquatic based emergency sign, issued by Royal Life Saving is to be displayed in a prominent position within the pool/spa area.
- (3) Filter backwash waters shall be conveyed to the Sydney Water sewerage system in sewered areas or managed on-site in unsewered areas in a manner that does not cause pollution, erosion or run off, is separate from the irrigation area for any wastewater system and is separate from any onsite stormwater management system.
- (4) Swimming pools and spas must be registered with the Division of Local Government.

Reason: To ensure that works do not interfere with reasonable amenity expectations of residents and the community.

# FEES / CHARGES / CONTRIBUTIONS

#### 6. Security Bond

A bond (determined from cost of works) of \$2,000 and an inspection fee in accordance with Council's Fees and Charges paid as security are required to ensure the rectification of any damage that may occur to the Council infrastructure contained within the road reserve adjoining the site as a result of construction or the transportation of materials and equipment to and from the development site.

An inspection fee in accordance with Council adopted fees and charges (at the time of payment) is payable for each kerb inspection as determined by Council (minimum (1) one

inspection).

All bonds and fees shall be deposited with Council prior to Construction Certificate or demolition work commencing, and details demonstrating payment are to be submitted to the Certifier prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

To process the inspection fee and bond payment a Bond Lodgement Form must be completed with the payments (a copy of the form is attached to this consent and alternatively a copy is located on Council's website at www.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au).

Reason: To ensure adequate protection of Council's infrastructure.

# **BUILDING WORK – BEFORE ISSUE OF A CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATE**

#### 7. No Clearing of Vegetation

Unless otherwise exempt, no vegetation is to be cleared prior to issue of a Construction Certificate.

Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Principal Certifier prior to issue of Construction Certificate.

Reason: To protect native vegetation.

#### 8. Stormwater Drainage Disposal

The stormwater drainage systems for the development are to be designed, installed and maintained in accordance with Council's Water Management for Development Policy.

All stormwater drainage systems must comply with the requirements of Council's Water Management for Development Policy. Any recommendations identified within a Geotechnical Report relevant to the development are to be incorporated into the design of the stormwater drainage system. Details demonstrating compliance from a qualified and practising Civil Engineer and where relevant a Geotechnical Engineer must be submitted to and approved by the Certifier prior to the issue of a Construction Certificate.

When the proposed discharge point for the development in this consent cannot strictly comply with the Water Management for Development Policy, the Applicant must apply to verify the proposed discharge point by gaining Council approval via a Stormwater Drainage Application. Council approval must be provided to the Certifier prior to the issue of a Construction Certificate when a Stormwater Drainage Application is required. The Stormwater Drainage Application form can be found on Council's website.

Compliance with this condition must not result in variations to the approved development or additional tree removal.

Reason: To ensure satisfactory management of stormwater.

# 9. Geotechnical Report Recommendations have been Incorporated into Designs and Structural Plans

The recommendations of the risk assessment required to manage the hazards as identified in the Geotechnical Report referenced in Condition 1 of this consent are to be incorporated into the construction plans.

Prior to issue of the Construction Certificate, Form 2 of the Geotechnical Risk Management Policy for Pittwater (Appendix 5 of P21 DCP) is to be completed and submitted to the Certifier.

Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Certifier prior to the issue of a Construction Certificate.

Reason: To ensure geotechnical risk is mitigated appropriately.

#### 10. Boundary Identification Survey

A boundary identification survey, prepared by a Registered Surveyor, is to be prepared in respect of the subject site.

The plans submitted for the Construction Certificate are to accurately reflect the property boundaries as shown on the boundary identification survey, with setbacks between the property boundaries and the approved works consistent with those nominated on the Approved Plans of this consent.

Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Certifier prior to the issue of any Construction Certificate.

Reason: To ensure all approved works are constructed within the subject site and in a manner anticipated by the development consent.

#### 11. Compliance with Standards

The development is required to be carried out in accordance with all relevant Australian Standards.

Details demonstrating compliance with the relevant Australian Standard are to be submitted to the Certifier prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

Reason: To ensure the development is constructed in accordance with appropriate standards.

#### 12. External Finishes to Roof

The external finish to the roof shall have a medium to dark range (BCA classification M and D) in order to minimise solar reflections to neighbouring properties. Any roof with a metallic steel finish is not permitted.

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

Reason: To ensure that excessive glare or reflectivity nuisance does not occur as a result of the development.

#### 13. Sydney Water "Tap In"

The approved plans must be submitted to the Sydney Water Tap in service, prior to works commencing, to determine whether the development will affect any Sydney Water assets and/or easements. The appropriately stamped plans must then be submitted to the Certifier demonstrating the works are in compliance with Sydney Water requirements.

Please refer to the website www.sydneywater.com.au for:

- "Tap in" details see http://www.sydneywater.com.au/tapin
- Guidelines for Building Over/Adjacent to Sydney Water Assets.

Or telephone 13 000 TAP IN (1300 082 746).

Reason: To ensure compliance with the statutory requirements of Sydney Water.

# DURING BUILDING WORK

#### 14. Wildlife Protection

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

Reason: To protect native wildlife.

# 15. Removing, Handling and Disposing of Asbestos

Any asbestos material arising from the demolition process shall be removed and disposed of in accordance with the following requirements:

- Work Health and Safety Act;
- Work Health and Safety Regulation;
- Code of Practice for the Safe Removal of Asbestos [NOHSC:2002 (1998)];
- Guide to the Control of Asbestos Hazards in Buildings and Structures [NOHSC: 3002 (1998);
- Clause 42 of the Protection of the Environment Operations (Waste) Regulation 2005; and
- The demolition must be undertaken in accordance with Australian Standard AS2601 The Demolition of Structures.

Reason: For the protection of the environment and human health.

## 16. Geotechnical Requirements

All recommendations (if any) included in the Geotechnical Report referenced in Condition 1 of this consent are required to be complied with during works.

Reason: To ensure geotechnical risk is mitigated appropriately.

## 17. Survey Certificate

A survey certificate prepared by a Registered Surveyor is to be provided demonstrating all perimeter walls columns and or other structural elements, floor levels and the finished roof/ridge height are in accordance with the approved plans.

Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Principal Certifier when the external structure of the building is complete.

Reason: To demonstrate the proposal complies with the approved plans.

#### 18. Waste Management During Development

The reuse, recycling or disposal of waste during works must be done generally in accordance with the Waste Management Plan for this development.

Details demonstrating compliance must be submitted to the Principal Certifier.

Reason: To ensure demolition and construction waste is recycled or reused and to limit landfill.

#### 19. Aboriginal Heritage

If in undertaking excavations or works any Aboriginal site or object is, or is thought to have been found, all works are to cease immediately and the applicant is to contact the Aboriginal Heritage Officer for Northern Beaches Council, and the Cultural Heritage Division of the Department of Planning and Environment.

Any work to a site that is discovered to be the location of an Aboriginal object, within the meaning of the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974, requires a permit from the Director of the Department of Planning and Environment.

Reason: Aboriginal Heritage Protection.

# **BEFORE ISSUE OF THE OCCUPATION CERTIFICATE**

#### 20. No Weeds Imported On To The Site

No Priority or environmental weeds (as specified in the Northern Beaches Local Weed Management Plan) are to be imported on to the site prior to or during construction works.

Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Principal Certifier prior to issue of any Occupation Certificate.

Reason: To reduce the risk of site works contributing to spread of Priority and environmental weeds.

#### 21. Stormwater Drainage Disposal Certification

Certification from an appropriately qualified and practising Civil Engineer demonstrating the stormwater drainage systems have been designed and installed in accordance with the requirements of Council's Water Management for Development Policy and where relevant a Geotechnical Engineer shall be provided to the Principal Certifier prior to the issue of an Occupation Certificate, and;

If any on site stormwater detention system is installed the Applicant shall lodge the Legal Documents Authorisation Application with Council.

The application is to include the completed request forms (NSW Land Registry standard forms 13PC and/or 13RPA) and a copy of the Works-as-Executed plan (details overdrawn on a copy of the approved drainage plan), hydraulic engineers' certification. A guide to the process and associated Legal Document Authorisation Application form can be found on Council's website The Applicant shall create on the Title a positive covenant in respect to the ongoing maintenance and restriction as to user over the on-site stormwater detention system within this development consent.

The terms of the positive covenant and restriction are to be prepared to Council's standard requirements at the applicant's expense and endorsed by Northern Beaches Council's delegate prior to lodgement with the NSW Land Registry Services. Northern Beaches Council shall be nominated as the authority to release, vary or modify such covenant. A copy of the certificate of title demonstrating the creation of the positive covenant and restriction as to user for the on-site stormwater detention system is to be submitted.

Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Principal Certifier prior to the issue of an Occupation Certificate.

Reason: To ensure satisfactory management of stormwater.

# 22. Geotechnical Certification Prior to Occupation Certificate

The Applicant is to submit the completed Form 3 of the Geotechnical Risk Management Policy (Appendix 5 of P21 DCP) to the Principal Certifier prior to issue of the Occupation Certificate.

Reason: To ensure geotechnical risk is mitigated appropriately.

#### 23. Waste Management Confirmation

Prior to the issue of an Occupation Certificate, evidence / documentation must be submitted to the Principal Certifier that all waste material from the development site arising from demolition and/or construction works has been appropriately recycled, reused or disposed of generally in accordance with the approved Waste Management Plan.

Reason: To ensure demolition and construction waste is recycled or reused and to limit landfill.

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

#### 24. Geotechnical Recommendations

Any ongoing recommendations of the risk assessment required to manage the hazards identified in the Geotechnical Report referenced in Condition 1 of this consent are to be maintained and adhered to for the life of the development.

Reason: To ensure geotechnical risk is mitigated appropriately.