

# Landscape Referral Response

Application Number:	DA2024/1811
Date:	21/01/2025
Proposed Development:	Alterations and additions to a dwelling house including a swimming pool
Responsible Officer:	Adriana Bramley
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 21 DP 9392 , 29 Innes Road MANLY VALE NSW 2093

#### Reasons for referral

This application seeks consent for the following:

- Construction / development works within 5 metres of a tree or
- New residential works with three or more dwellings. (RFB's, townhouses, seniors living, guesthouses, etc). or
- Mixed use developments containing three or more residential dwellings.
- New Dwellings or

#### Officer comments

The proposal is supported with regard to landscape issues.

The application is assessed by Landscape Referral against Warringah Local Environmental Plan (WLEP) 2011 and the following Warringah Development Control Plan (WDCP) 2011 controls (but not limited to):

- D1 Landscaped Open Space and Bushland Setting
- E1 Preservation of Trees or Bushland Vegetation

The Arboricultural Impact Assessment (AIA) identified three trees. Trees 2 and 3 will suffer major encroachment and as such a Project Arborist shall be engaged to supervise the work in the tree protection zone of these trees. As outlined in the AIA "Tree 2 will require some modification to the design to increase the setback of the proposed crossover so it is constructed only within the footprint of the existing hard compacted crossover..." and "Tree 3 will also require some modification to the design to minimise the likelihood of encountering significant tree roots when excavating for the swimming pool...". The driveway and pool footing design shall be completed in collaboration with the Arborist prior to issuing a Construction Certificate.

The proposal is therefore supported.

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

## **Recommended Landscape Conditions:**

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

## **Driveway and Pool Design Near Trees to be Retained**

- a) footing structural layout plans for the works near existing trees 2 and 3 including the driveway and pool shell/pool coping shall be developed in co-ordination with an Arborist with AQF minimum Level 5 qualifications in arboriculture and a qualified Structural Engineer, and incorporate recommendations outlined in sections 10.3, 10.4 and 10.4.1 of the Arboricultural Impact Assessment as necessary. If deemed necessary by the Arborist, complete non-destructive tree root investigations complying with clause 3.3.4 of AS 4970-2009 Protection of trees on development sites, near existing tree(s) 2 and 3, to locate critical tree roots and recommend footing design and locations for the construction works.
- b) the Arborist shall review, comment, recommend design revision as required and approve the footing layout, to ensure the locations of footings will be manageable in terms of tree protection measures.
- c) the Arborist shall submit certification to the Certifier that the locations of the footings are accepted.
- d) the agreed footing structural layout plans shall be submitted to the Certifier for approval prior to the issue of a Construction Certificate.

Reason: Tree protection.

# CONDITIONS THAT MUST BE ADDRESSED PRIOR TO ANY COMMENCEMENT

#### **Project Arborist**

- a) a Project Arborist with minimum AQF Level 5 in arboriculture shall be engaged prior to any commencement of works on site to provide tree protection measures in accordance with AS 4970-2009 Protection of trees on development sites, and any recommendations of an approved Arboricultural Impact Assessment.
- b) the Project Arborist shall be in attendance and supervise all works as nominated in the Arboricultural Impact Assessment, and in particular:
- i) recommendations for tree protection measures and works around tree 2 under sections 10.3 and 11.5.
- ii) recommendations for tree protection measures and works around tree 3 under sections 10.4, 10.4.1, and 11.5.
- c) All tree protection measures specified must:
- i) be in place before work commences on the site, and
- ii) be maintained in good condition during the construction period, and
- iii) remain in place for the duration of the construction works.
- d) the Project Arborist shall provide certification to the Certifier that all tree protection measures under AS 4970-2009 have been satisfied, and the recommendations listed for the protection of the existing tree(s) have been carried out satisfactorily to ensure no impact to the health of the tree(s). Photographic documentation of the condition of all trees to be retained shall be recorded, including at commencement, during the works and at completion.

Note: any potential impact to trees as assessed by the Project Arborist will require redesign of any approved component to ensure existing trees upon the subject site and adjoining properties are

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preserved and shall be the subject of a modification application where applicable.

Reason: Tree protection.

# CONDITIONS TO BE COMPLIED WITH DURING DEMOLITION AND BUILDING WORK

### **Protection of Existing Street Trees**

a) all existing street trees in the vicinity of the works shall be retained during all construction stages, and the street tree(s) fronting the development site shall be protected by tree protection fencing in accordance with Section 4 of AS 4970-2009 Protection of trees on development sites. As a minimum the tree protection fencing for street tree(s) fronting the development site shall consist of standard 2.4m panel length to four sides and in accordance with Australian Standard 4687-2007 Temporary Fencing and Hoardings, unless otherwise directed by an Arborist with minimum AQF Level 5 in arboriculture. All fencing shall be located to allow for unrestricted and safe pedestrian access upon the road verge.

b) all street trees within the road verge are protected under Northern Beaches Council development control plans, except where Council's written consent for removal has been obtained. The felling, lopping, topping, ringbarking, or removal of any tree(s) is prohibited. No excavated material, building material storage, site facilities, nor landscape materials are to be placed within the canopy dripline of street trees.

Reason: Street tree protection.

#### **Tree and Vegetation Protection**

- a) existing trees and vegetation shall be retained and protected, including:
- i) all trees within the site not approved for removal, including trees and vegetation nominated for retention on the approved Plans,
- ii) all trees and vegetation located on adjoining properties.
- iii) all trees and vegetation within the road reserve.
- b) tree protection shall be undertaken as follows:
- i) tree protection shall be in accordance with AS 4970-2009 Protection of trees on development sites, and any recommendations of an approved Arboricultural Impact Assessment,
- ii) existing ground levels shall be maintained within the tree protection zone of trees to be retained, unless authorised by an Arborist/Project Arborist with minimum AQF Level 5 in arboriculture,
- iii) removal of existing tree roots at or >25mm ( $\emptyset$ ) diameter is not permitted without consultation with an Arborist/Project Arborist with minimum AQF Level 5 in arboriculture,
- iv) no excavated material, building material storage, site facilities, nor landscape materials are to be placed within the canopy dripline of trees and other vegetation required to be retained,
- v) structures are to bridge tree roots at or >25mm ( $\emptyset$ ) diameter unless directed by an Arborist/Project Arborist with minimum AQF Level 5 in arboriculture on site,
- vi) excavation for stormwater lines and all other utility services is not permitted within the tree protection zone, without consultation with an Arborist/Project Arborist with minimum AQF Level 5 in arboriculture including advice on root protection measures,
- vii) should either or all of v) or vi) occur during site establishment and construction works, an Arborist/Project Arborist with minimum AQF Level 5 in arboriculture shall provide recommendations for tree protection measures. Details including photographic evidence of works undertaken shall be submitted by the Arborist/Project Arborist to the Principal Certifier,
- viii) any temporary access to, or location of scaffolding within the tree protection zone of a protected tree or any other tree to be retained during the construction works is to be undertaken using the protection measures specified in sections 4.5.3 and 4.5.6 of AS 4970-2009 Protection of trees on

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### development sites,

- ix) the activities listed in section 4.2 of AS 4970-2009 Protection of trees on development sites, shall not occur within the tree protection zone of any tree on the lot or any tree on an adjoining site,
- x) tree pruning from within the site to enable approved works shall not exceed 10% of any tree canopy, and shall be in accordance with AS 4373-2007 Pruning of amenity trees,
- xi) the tree protection measures specified in this clause must: be in place before work commences on the site, be maintained in good condition during the construction period, and remain in place for the duration of the construction works.
- c) the Principal Certifier must ensure that:
- i) If activated, the arboricultural works listed in a) and b) are undertaken and certified by an Arborist/Project Arborist as complaint to AS 4970-2009 Protection of trees on development sites, and any recommendations of an approved Arboricultural Impact Assessment.

Reason: Tree and vegetation protection.

# CONDITIONS WHICH MUST BE COMPLIED WITH PRIOR TO THE ISSUE OF THE OCCUPATION CERTIFICATE

## **Condition of Retained Vegetation**

- a) prior to the issue of an Occupation Certificate, a report prepared by an Arborist/Project Arborist with minimum AQF Level 5 in arboriculture shall be submitted to the Principal Certifier, assessing the health and impact on all existing trees required to be retained on the approved Plans or as listed in the Arboricultural Impact Assessment, including the following information:
- i) compliance to any Arborist recommendations for tree protection generally and during excavation works.
- ii) extent of damage sustained by vegetation as a result of the construction works,
- iii) any subsequent remedial works required to ensure the long term retention of the vegetation.

Reason: Tree and vegetation protection.

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

#### **Landscape Maintenance**

a) the approved landscape planted areas, whether containing lawn, gardens or planters shall in perpetuity remain as planting under the development consent, and shall not be replaced with any hard paved surfaces or structures.

Reason: To maintain local environmental amenity.

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