

Natural Environment Referral Response - Biodiversity

Application Number:	DA2021/0378
Date:	16/04/2021
Responsible Officer	Gareth David
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 4C DP 13374 , 1058 Barrenjoey Road PALM BEACH NSW 2108

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

Council's Natural Environment Unit - Biodiversity referral team have reviewed the application for consistency against the relevant environmental legislation and controls, including:

Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 (BC Act) Pittwater Local Environmental Plan (PLEP)

- 7.6 Biodiversity Protection

Pittwater Development Control Plan (PDCP)

- B4.2 Flora and Fauna Conservation Category 1 and Wildlife Corridor
- B4.4 Flora and Fauna Habitat Enhancement Category 2 and Wildlife Corridor

The proposal involves the removal of a rear shed, refurbished internal areas, new rear deck, new circular plunge pool with pool safety barrier, new paving & extending the secondary dwelling. As the proposal does not require the removal of prescribed trees or vegetation, and an existing Asset Protection Zone (APZ) already exists over the site (N0306/11), the *Biodiversity Values* mapping in the rear of the property will not trigger the Biodiversity Offset Scheme (BOS) in this case. Subject to conditions, the Bushland and Biodiversity referral team find the application to be consistent against relevant environmental controls.

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 THAT MUST BE ADDRESSED PRIOR TO ANY COMMENCEMENT

Dead or Injured Wildlife

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 protect native wildlife.

Protection of Habitat Features

All natural landscape features, including any rock outcrops, native vegetation and/or watercourses, are to remain undisturbed during the construction works, except where affected by necessary works detailed on approved plans.

Reason: To protect wildlife habitat.

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

No Weeds Imported On To The Site

No Priority or environmental weeds are to be imported on to the site prior to or during construction works.

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

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