

Heritage Referral Response

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| Application Number: | DA2021/1900 |
| Date: | 14/12/2021 |
| To: | Nick England |
| Land to be developed (Address): | Lot 20 DP 11978 , 2 A Allen Avenue BILGOLA BEACH NSW 2107 Lot A DP 379490 , 2 A Allen Avenue BILGOLA BEACH NSW 2107 |

Officer comments

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| HERITAGE COMMENTS | | |
| Discussion of reason for referral | | |
| The proposal has been referred to Heritage as the subject property adjoins a heritage item | | |
| Street Trees - Norfolk Island Pines and Canary Island Date Palms - Allen Avenue and Bilgola Avenue | | |
| Details of heritage items affected | | |
| Details of the item as contained within the Pittwater inventory is as follows: | | |
| <u>Statement of Significance</u> | | |
| The Street Trees - Norfolk Island Pines (<i>Araucaria heterophylla</i>) and Canary Island Date Palms (<i>Phoenix canariensis</i>) are a defining landscape element for Bilgola Beach, but also for many ocean beaches in Pittwater and along the coast of NSW and southern QLD. These pines are significant for their historic association with early settlement and as local cultural plantings, in some instances dating from the 1930's period. The Norfolk Island Pine plantings also have a high level of visual, environmental and aesthetic value. | | |
| <u>Physical Description</u> | | |
| Many trees have achieved dramatic proportions and scale although many are threatened by recreational and erosional pressures. In this location they have been planted in association with the exotic Canary Island Date Palm. | | |
| Other relevant heritage listings | | |
| Sydney Regional Environmental Plan (Sydney Harbour Catchment) 2005 | No | |
| Australian Heritage Register | No | |
| NSW State Heritage Register | No | |
| National Trust of Aust (NSW) Register | | |
| RAIA Register of 20th Century Buildings of Significance | No | |
| Other | N/A | |
| Consideration of Application | | |

The proposal seeks consent for a new 3m high tennis court fence along the northern side of the tennis court, close to the boundary with 4 Allen Avenue. There is existing black wire fencing to the eastern and southern sides of the tennis court. There is two heritage listed Canary Island Palms located in the road reserve outside the property, on either side of the driveway. A objection on heritage grounds is noted.

The proposed northern fence is considered to have a neutral heritage impact on the items as when viewed from the street, it will be the least visually noticeable elevation. Views of this side are either obscured or interrupted by other dwellings, vegetation or existing tennis court fencing. The existing southern fencing is considered the most visually exposed component, followed by the existing eastern portion. Heritage considers that per Clause 5.10 of the Pittwater LEP, and Clause B1.2 of the Pittwater 21 DCP, the proposed northern fence will have a neutral impact upon the heritage street trees and therefore raises no objections and requires no conditions.

It is noted that an objection has made a request for a heritage management document be prepared to assess the impact of the new fence on the heritage street trees. However, given the small scale of the proposed works, its neutral impact and that the proposed works are not located directly on an item, Heritage in this case does not consider there to be a need for such a document.

Therefore Heritage raises no objections and requires no conditions.

Consider against the provisions of CL5.10 of PLEP.

Is a Conservation Management Plan (CMP) Required? No

Has a CMP been provided? No

Is a Heritage Impact Statement required? No

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Further Comments

COMPLETED BY: Brendan Gavin, Principal Planner

DATE: 14 December 2021

The proposal is therefore supported.

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

Recommended Heritage Advisor Conditions:

Nil.