

# **DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION ASSESSMENT REPORT**

DA2025/0198		
Brittany Harrison		
Lot 43 DP 13325, 23 Park Avenue AVALON BEACH NSW 2107		
Alterations and additions to a dwelling house		
C4 Environmental Living		
Yes		
No		
Northern Beaches Council		
No		
Helen Mary Owens		

Application Lodged:	06/03/2025
Integrated Development:	No
Designated Development:	No
State Reporting Category:	Residential - Alterations and additions
Notified:	18/03/2025 to 01/04/2025
Advertised:	Not Advertised
Submissions Received:	0
Clause 4.6 Variation:	Nil
Recommendation:	Approval

Estimated Cost of Works:	\$ 572,000.00
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## PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT IN DETAIL

This application seeks development consent for the alterations and additions to an existing dwelling house.

Specifically, the works comprise of the following:

- Removal of two (2) non-native trees.
- A portion of the existing deck to the rear and associated external stairs to be demolished.
- Construction of pavilion style extension at rear of dwelling to accommodate for two (2) bedrooms, bathroom and rumpus.
- Solid fuel fireplace installation.
- Storage area between existing dwelling and extension.
- Roof top terrace atop new extension connected to the existing rear balcony.

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· Green roofing to extension.

#### 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 - Zone C4 Environmental Living

Pittwater 21 Development Control Plan - C1.5 Visual Privacy

Pittwater 21 Development Control Plan - D1.14 Landscaped Area - Environmentally Sensitive Land

#### SITE DESCRIPTION

Property Description:	Lot 43 DP 13325 , 23 Park Avenue AVALON BEACH NSW 2107		
Detailed Site Description:	The subject site consists of one (1) allotment located on the southern side of Park Avenue.		
	The subject site is legally identified as Lot 43 in Deposited Plan 13325, No. 23 Park Avenue, Avalon Beach.		
	The site is regular in shape with a frontage of 15.24m and a depth of 55.868m. The site has a surveyed area of 838.3m².		
	The site is located within the C4 Environmental Living zone and accommodates a dwelling house and carport.		
	The site topography slopes downward from north to south by approximately 5.0m.		

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The site consists of an open lawn area to the rear with various trees. No boundary fencing. Garden beds and trees are located at the front of the dwelling.

# Detailed Description of Adjoining/Surrounding Development

Adjoining and surrounding development is characterised by dwelling houses of various architectural designs including ancillary development. The rear yards in the immediate vicinity are open with no boundary fencing.





# SITE HISTORY

The land has been used for residential purposes for an extended period of time. A search of Council's records has revealed the following relevant history:

The development application was notified for a period of fourteen (14) days, in accordance with Council's Community Participation Plan (CPP), no submissions received.

Amended information was requested on 1 April 2025 to address the following:

- The kitchenette is to be deleted.
- The demolition of existing structures shall be on a separate plan.
- Correction to elevational plans.
- Solid Fuel Heaters further detail required.
- Stormwater plans.

An amended design was submitted on 6 and 14 May 2025, and was considered to be a reduction of impact. Therefore, the application did not require formal re-notification.

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# **ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT, 1979 (EPAA)**

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

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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 Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021 (EP&A Regulation 2021)	Part 4, Division 2 of the EP&A Regulation 2021 requires the consent authority to consider "Prescribed conditions" of development consent. These matters have been addressed via a condition of consent.  Clause 29 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. Additional information was requested, refer to 'Site History'.
	Clause 61 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.
	Clauses 62 and/or 64 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.
	Clause 69 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.
	Clause 69 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.

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Section 4.15 Matters for Consideration	Comments
Section 4.15 (1) (b) – the likely impacts of the development, including environmental impacts on the natural and built environment and social	The environmental impacts of the proposed development on the natural and built environment are addressed under the Pittwater 21 Development Control Plan section in this report.
and economic impacts in the locality	(ii) Social Impact The proposed development will not have a detrimental social impact in the locality considering the character of the proposal.  (iii) Economic Impact 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 (1) (e) – the public interest	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 not classified as bush fire prone land.

# **NOTIFICATION & SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED**

The subject application has been publicly exhibited from 18/03/2025 to 01/04/2025 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
Environmental Health (Solid Fuel/Oil Heater)	Supported, subject to conditions.
	General Comments Environmental Health has received further information for a more detailed assessment.  Recommendation

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Internal Referral Body	Comments			
	APPROVAL - subject to conditions			
Landscape Officer	Supported, subject to conditions.			
	The application seeks consent for: Alterations and additions to a dwelling house.			
	The Arborist's Report prepared by The Ents Tree Consultancy is noted.			
	The Report indicates that two exempt palm trees are required to be removed. No objections are raised to removal of the exempt trees.			
	The Report indicates that all other trees on and adjacent to the site can be retained with an acceptable level of impact, subject to Arboricultural supervision.			
	No objections are raised regarding landscape issues subject to conditions as recommended.			
NECC (Bushland and	Supported, subject to conditions.			
Biodiversity)	The comments in this referral are related to the following applicable controls and provisions:			
	<ul> <li>NSW Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016</li> <li>NSW Biodiversity Regulation 2017</li> <li>Pittwater LEP Clause 7.6 Biodiversity Protection</li> <li>Pittwater DCP Clause B4.4 Flora and Fauna Habitat Enhancement Category 2 and Wildlife Corridor</li> </ul>			
	Portions of the site are identified on the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW) Biodiversity Values Map (BV Map). Under the NSW Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016, 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.			
	The proposal has been submitted with an arboricultural impact assessment that has assessed the condition of a total of 26 trees and recommended the removal of two trees identified as Tree 13 and Tree 14 which are both considered exempt species (Archontophoenix cunninghamiana). No objections are raised subject to replacements being planted to comply with the requirements of PDCP B4.4 where "development shall result in no significant loss of canopy cover".			

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Internal Referral Body	Comments					
	The development is designed, sited and will be managed to avoid any significant adverse environmental impact.					
NECC (Development Engineering)	Supported, subject to conditions.					
gg,	Comments 7/05/2025 Council's Development Engineer raises no objection to this proposal subject to conditions.					
	Stormwater A downstream drainage easement refusal letter has been received. The amended stormwater design is generally satisfactory subject to conditions.					
	Comments 2/05/2025 Council's Development Engineer had a discussion with the applicant's hydraulic engineer. Please turn this DA back on when Council receives the stormwater plans.					
	Comments 13/03/2025 Council's Development Engineer requests additional information regarding the stormwater design.					
	This proposal is for alterations and additions to an existing dwelling.					
	Stormwater Council's Development Engineer requests additional information regarding the stormwater design as detailed below.					
	<ul> <li>Proper stormwater plans must be prepared by a qualified civil/hydraulic engineer. Of note that the rear part of the site does not naturally fall to the front street. Of note that an OSD system is likely required.</li> <li>For Council to consider any alternative stormwater disposal method, such as absorption trenches or level spreaders, the downstream neighbour (76 Central Road AVALON BEACH) must be approached to obtain a drainage easement refusal letter with sample letter in Appendix 2 of Council's 'Water Management for Development Policy'.</li> </ul>					
	Site Access and Parking No proposed change to the existing site access and parking.					
	Geotechnical Investigation The site is partly located within the geotechnical hazard zone. A geotechnical report has been provided with completed forms 1 and 1(a).					

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External Referral Body	Comments
Ausgrid - SEPP (Transport and Infrastructure) 2021,	Supported, subject to conditions.
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.

# **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 (Sustainable Buildings) 2022

A BASIX certificate has been submitted with the application (see Certificate No. A1781187 dated 28 January 2025).

A condition has been included in the recommendation of this report requiring compliance with the commitments indicated in the BASIX Certificate.

## SEPP (Transport and Infrastructure) 2021

## **Ausgrid**

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, subject to conditions which have been

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included in the recommendation of this report.

# SEPP (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	4.0m	-	Yes

# **Compliance Assessment**

Clause	Compliance with Requirements
1.9A Suspension of covenants, agreements and instruments	Yes
4.3 Height of buildings	Yes
5.10 Heritage conservation	Yes
7.1 Acid sulfate soils	Yes
7.2 Earthworks	Yes
7.6 Biodiversity protection	Yes
7.7 Geotechnical hazards	Yes
7.10 Essential services	Yes

#### **Detailed Assessment**

# **Zone C4 Environmental Living**

The objectives of the C4 Environmental Living zone are addressed below.

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

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#### Comment

The proposal has been reviewed by the relevant Interdepartmental Officers. With regard to their respective assessments, the development is considered to be of low impact to the ecological, scientific or aesthetic values of the site and the surrounding Avalon Beach locale, subject to conditions.

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

## Comment

The subject site is shown to be affected by Council's Geotechnical Hazard Map in Pittwater LEP 2014. As such, the proposal was accompanied by both a Geotechnical Assessment Report, which was reviewed by Council's Development Engineering Team. Recommended conditions to ensure that the development incorporates the recommendations made within the Geotechnical Report.

Portions of the site are identified on the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW) Biodiversity Values Map (BV Map). Under the NSW Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016, 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). 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.

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

# Comment

The alterations and additions are of a low density design which is integrated into the landform. The proposal exhibits compliance with the building height standard and provides acceptable levels of vegetation, subject to conditions.

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

#### Comment

The proposed development is supported by Council's Landscape and Biodiversity Officers, subject to recommended conditions.

# **Pittwater 21 Development Control Plan**

## **Built Form Controls**

<b>Built Form Control</b>	Requirement	Proposed	% Variation*	Complies
Front Building Line	6.5m <i>Northern Boundary</i>	> 6.5m	-	Yes
Rear Building Line	6.5m Southern Boundary			Yes
Side Building Line	2.5m Eastern Boundary	5.4m	-	Yes

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	1.0m <i>Western Boundary</i>	1.4m	-	Yes
Building Envelope	3.5m Eastern Elevation	Within Envelope	-	Yes
	3.5m Western Elevation	Within Envelope	-	Yes
Landscaped Area	60.0% (502.98m²)	58.1% (approx. 486.8m²)	3.8% (16.2m²)	Yes*

<sup>\*</sup>Including the 6.0% variation to the landscape calculation, the proposal will exhibit a landscaped area of  $537.1\text{m}^2$  or 64.1%.

**Compliance Assessment** 

Clause	Compliance with Requirements	Consistency Aims/Objectives
A1.7 Considerations before consent is granted	Yes	Yes
A4.1 Avalon Beach Locality	Yes	Yes
B1.3 Heritage Conservation - General	Yes	Yes
B1.4 Aboriginal Heritage Significance	Yes	Yes
B3.1 Landslip Hazard	Yes	Yes
B3.6 Contaminated Land and Potentially Contaminated Land	Yes	Yes
B4.4 Flora and Fauna Habitat Enhancement Category 2 and Wildlife Corridor	Yes	Yes
B5.15 Stormwater	Yes	Yes
B8.1 Construction and Demolition - Excavation and Landfill	Yes	Yes
B8.3 Construction and Demolition - Waste Minimisation	Yes	Yes
B8.4 Construction and Demolition - Site Fencing and Security	Yes	Yes
B8.5 Construction and Demolition - Works in the Public Domain	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	No	Yes
C1.6 Acoustic Privacy	Yes	Yes
C1.7 Private Open Space	Yes	Yes
C1.9 Adaptable Housing and Accessibility	Yes	Yes
C1.12 Waste and Recycling Facilities	Yes	Yes
C1.13 Pollution Control	Yes	Yes
C1.14 Separately Accessible Structures	Yes	Yes
C1.23 Eaves	Yes	Yes
D1.1 Character as viewed from a public place	Yes	Yes
D1.4 Scenic protection - General	Yes	Yes

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Clause	Compliance with Requirements	Consistency Aims/Objectives
D1.5 Building colours and materials	Yes	Yes
D1.8 Front building line	Yes	Yes
D1.9 Side and rear building line	Yes	Yes
D1.11 Building envelope	Yes	Yes
D1.14 Landscaped Area - Environmentally Sensitive Land	Yes	Yes
D1.17 Construction, Retaining walls, terracing and undercroft areas	Yes	Yes

#### **Detailed Assessment**

# **C1.5 Visual Privacy**

## Merit Consideration

Clause C1.5 Visual Privacy stipulates that private open space areas including swimming pools and living rooms of proposed and any existing adjoining dwellings are to be protected from direct overlooking within 9.0 metres, by building layout, landscaping, screening devices or greater spatial separation. In addition, elevated decks/balconies and pools should incorporate privacy screens where necessary and should be located at the front or rear of the building.

The existing dwelling includes an elevated deck from the front of the dwelling, which wraps around the eastern side toward the rear, opening up to an entertaining/alfresco area. The proposal seeks to demolish part of the rear entertaining deck to accommodate the new extension below, which will feature a new entertaining area atop the lower floor extension (refer to Figure 1 below). The new roof top terrace is less than 9.0m from the adjoining property boundary.

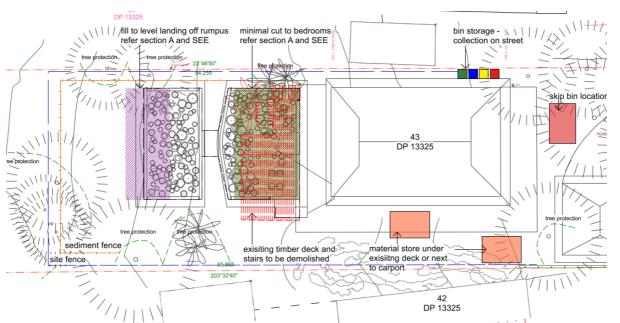


Figure 1: Red shading indicates existing deck to be demolished in similar location to the new roof terrace.

The new elevated terrace will be located similarly to that of the existing decking particularly to the eastern side. Screen vegetation and trees are located along the boundary providing a landscaped

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buffer between the deck and the adjoining swimming pool to the east. It is considered that the visual privacy will remain similar to existing (refer to Image 1 and 2 below).



Image 1: Looking toward eastern adjoining property from existing deck.

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Image 2: Looking toward eastern adjoining property from existing deck.

The roof terrace will extend further on the western side when compared to the existing decking. The dwelling on the western adjoining property is setback further north and will not experience direct overlooking. The rear yard to the western property will experience a degree of overlooking. The western property has not been re-developed. This area is currently overlooked from the existing decking, due to a lack of screen planting and boundary fencing. Majority of the sites in this vicinity do not have fencing, and are all open and landscaped, providing an uninterrupted flow from one property to the next. Due to this characteristic, overlooking into the neighbouring rear yards are unavoidable. The privacy levels toward the west are also considered to remain similar to that of the existing (refer to Image 3 and 4 below).

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Image 3: Looking back up toward the dwelling of the western adjoining property from existing deck.

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Image 4: Looking toward western adjoining property's rear yard from existing deck.

To enhance privacy when the roof terrace is in use, a condition is recommended for the balustrades on the eastern and western edges to be of opaque glass or timber battens. This will allow for a disruption in view when entertaining/dining down toward the adjoining rear yards or alternatively up from the adjoining rear yards to the roof terrace.

In light of the circumstances and recommended condition, the visual privacy impacts are considered to be acceptable for a residential area.

## D1.14 Landscaped Area - Environmentally Sensitive Land

# **Description of Non-compliance**

Clause D1.14 requires a site located within Area 1 of the Landscaped Area Map to provide a minimum of 60.0% landscaped open space, equating to 502.98m<sup>2</sup>.

The proposal provides a landscaped area of 58.1% which equates to 486.8m², with a variation of 3.8% or 16.2m² to the requirements of the clause.

Provided that the outcomes of the control have been achieved, impervious areas up to 6.0% of the site area can be included in the landscaped area calculation. These include impervious areas less than 1.0 metres in width and areas used for outdoor recreational purposes. The inclusion of this variation increases the landscaped area to 537.1m<sup>2</sup> or 64.1%, complying with the clause requirements.

#### Merit Consideration

The proposed development is considered against the underlying outcomes of the control as follows:

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# Achieve the desired future character of the Locality. (S)

#### Comment

The proposed works will maintain a design situated within a landscaped setting, achieving the desired future character of the Avalon Beach Locality.

The bulk and scale of the built form is minimised. (En, S)

#### Comment

The proposed works are single storey and is not considered to be of excessive bulk and scale due to the break in built form and various external material proposed. The surrounding landscaping and canopy trees will provide for visual softening of built form.

A reasonable level of amenity and solar access is provided and maintained. (En, S)

#### Comment

A level of amenity for a residential area is provided. The proposal complies with the solar access requirements stipulated within P21DCP. Refer to 'Clause C1.5 Visual Privacy' for further detail on privacy.

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

#### Comment

Significant vegetation and trees on site will be retained, which will aid in visually reducing built form.

Conservation of natural vegetation and biodiversity. (En)

## Comment

The proposal has been reviewed by Council's Biodiversity Team which supports the proposal subject to conditions. It is noted that the development is outside of the BV Map area.

• Stormwater runoff is reduced, preventing soil erosion and siltation of natural drainage channels. (En)

#### Comment:

Stormwater runoff is not expected to result in any unacceptable impacts to soil erosion and siltation of natural drainage channels, and is supported by both Council's Development Engineer, subject to conditions.

To preserve and enhance the rural and bushland character of the area. (En, S)

# **Comment**

The subject site is located within, and is surrounded by environmental and residential zones, however the proposal has addressed the incorporation of acceptable levels of landscaping. Furthermore, preserving any bushland character present within the Avalon Beach area.

• Soft surface is maximised to provide for infiltration of water to the water table, minimise run-off and assist with stormwater management.(En, S)

## Comment

The dimensions of the proposed landscape open space area is considered reasonable to

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provide infiltration of water and minimise run off. Council's Development Engineer has reviewed the proposal and is in support, subject to conditions.

Having regard to the above assessment, it is concluded that the outcomes of the clause have been achieved. Therefore, the application is supported on merit 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 2024

The proposal is subject to the application of Northern Beaches Section 7.12 Contributions Plan 2024.

A monetary contribution of \$5,720 is required for the provision of new and augmented public infrastructure. The contribution is calculated as 1% of the total development cost of \$572,000.

#### 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

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

#### RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council as the consent authority grant Development Consent to DA2025/0198 for Alterations and additions to a dwelling house on land at Lot 43 DP 13325, 23 Park Avenue, AVALON BEACH, 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.

Approved Plans				
Plan Number	Revision Number	Plan Title	Drawn By	Date of Plan
DA100	С	Site Plan and Site Analysis	Sobi Wing Slingsby Architect	1 May 2025
DA102	А	Demolition Plan	Sobi Wing Slingsby Architect	1 May 2025
DA110	С	Ground Floor Plan	Sobi Wing Slingsby Architect	1 May 2025
DA120	С	First Floor Plan	Sobi Wing Slingsby Architect	1 May 2025
DA200	В	East Elevation	Sobi Wing Slingsby Architect	28 January 2025
DA210	В	South Elevation	Sobi Wing Slingsby Architect	28 January 2025
DA220	В	West Elevation	Sobi Wing Slingsby Architect	28 January 2025
DA300	В	Section A	Sobi Wing Slingsby Architect	28 January 2025
DA310	С	Section B	Sobi Wing Slingsby Architect	1 May 2025

Approved Reports and Documentation	
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Document Title	Version Number	Prepared By	Date of Document
DA500, Schedule of Colours and Finishes	А		28 January 2025
Arboricultural Impact Assessment & Tree Protection Plan	-	The Ents Tree Consultancy	19 November 2024
BASIX Certificate No. A1781187	-	Sobi Slingsby	28 January 2025
Geotechnical Investigation inc. Certified Forms 1 and 1A (Ref. J5843)	-	White Geotechnical Group	16 December 2024
Waste Management Plan	-	-	-
Stormwater Plans Project No. ACE25042, Sheet S1-S6	-	Amuna Civil Engineering	5 May 2025

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

In the event of any inconsistency between 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	EDMS Reference	Dated
or Service		
Ausgrid	Referral - Ausgrid	12 March 2025

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

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

## 3. 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:

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- (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.

## 4. General Requirements

(a) Unless authorised by Council:
Building construction and delivery of material hours are restricted to:

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- 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) Construction certificate plans are to be in accordance with all finished levels identified on approved plans. Notes attached to plans indicating tolerances to levels are not approved.
- (c) 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.
- (d) At all times after the submission of 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.
- (e) 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.
- (f) 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.
- (g) Prior to the release of the Construction Certificate, payment of the following is required:
  - i) 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.
  - iii) Housing and Productivity Contribution Payment must be made on the NSW Planning Portal for development to which this contribution applies. The amount payable is subject to indexation at the time of payment.
- (h) The applicant shall bear the cost of all works associated with the development that occurs on Council's property.

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- (i) 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.
- (j) Demolition materials and builders' wastes are to be removed to approved waste/recycling centres.
- (k) 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.
- (I) 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.

- (m) 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.
- (n) The works must comply with the relevant Ausgrid Network Standards and SafeWork NSW Codes of Practice.
- (o) Should any construction cranes be utilised on site, they are to be fitted with bird deterrents along the counterweight to discourage raptor (bird) nesting activity.

  Deterrents are to remain in place until cranes are dismantled. Selection of deterrent methods is to be undertaken in accordance with the recommendations of a suitably qualified ecologist.
- (p) 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

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- (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.

# 5. No Approval for Secondary Dwelling

No approval is granted or implied under this Development Consent for the use of any part of the dwelling house for the purpose of a secondary dwelling or separate occupancy. Built in cooking facilities are not permitted to be installed, other than those shown in the designated kitchen area.

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

# FEES / CHARGES / CONTRIBUTIONS

## 6. Policy Controls

Northern Beaches Section 7.12 Contributions Plan 2024

A monetary contribution of \$5,720.00 is payable to Northern Beaches Council for the provision of local infrastructure and services pursuant to section 7.12 of the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979 and the Northern Beaches Section 7.12 Contributions Plan (as amended).

The monetary contribution is based on a development cost of \$572,000.00.

The total amount payable will be adjusted at the time the payment is made, in accordance with the provisions of the Northern Beaches Section 7.12 Contributions Plan (as amended).

Details demonstrating compliance, by way of written receipts issued by Council, are to be submitted to the Certifier prior to issue of any Construction Certificate or, if relevant, the Subdivision Certificate (whichever occurs first).

A copy of the Contributions Plan is available for inspection at 725 Pittwater Road, Dee Why or on Council's website at Northern Beaches Council - Development Contributions.

Reason: To provide for contributions in accordance with the Contribution Plan to fund the provision of new or augmented local infrastructure and services.

## 7. Security Bond

A bond (determined from cost of works) of \$2,000 and an inspection fee in accordance with

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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**

# 8. 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 Certifier prior to issue of Construction Certificate.

Reason: To protect native vegetation.

#### 9. On-Site Stormwater Detention Details

The Applicant is to provide a certification of drainage plans detailing the provision of on-site stormwater detention in accordance with Northern Beaches Council's Water Management for Development Policy, and generally in accordance with the concept drainage plans prepared by Amuna Civil Engineering, drawing number ACE25042, S1-S6, dated 05/05/2025. Detailed drainage plans are to be prepared by a suitably qualified Civil Engineer, who has membership to Engineers Australia, National Engineers Register (NER) or Professionals Australia (RPENG) and registered in the General Area of Practice for civil engineering.

The drainage plans must address the following:

• The effective OSD volume shall be a minimum 4.35 cubic meters according to the submitted DRAINS model.

Detailed drainage plans, including engineering certification, are to be submitted to the Certifying Authority for approval prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

Reason: To ensure appropriate provision for the disposal of stormwater and stormwater management arising from the development.

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

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The recommendations of the risk assessment required to manage the hazards as identified in the Geotechnical Report prepared by White Geotechnical Group, dated 16/12/2024 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 Accredited Certifier. Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Certifier prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

Reason: To ensure geotechnical risk is mitigated appropriately.

# 11. Amendments to the approved plans

The following amendments are to be made to the approved plans:

**a) Balustrades:** The balustrade on the new roof top terrace shall consist of frosted glazing to both the eastern and western edges. Alternatively, these balustrades may consist of materials to form a timber batten style (with a maximum spacing of 20mm), in materials that complement the design of the approved development.

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

Reason: To require amendments to the plans endorsed by the consent authority following assessment of the development.

# 12. Boundary Identification Survey

The plans submitted for the Construction Certificate are to accurately reflect the property boundaries as shown on a boundary identification survey, prepared by a Registered Surveyor, 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.

# 13. 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.

## 14. External Finishes to Roof

The external finish to the roof shall have a Solar Absorptance (SA) greater than 0.43 in accordance with the requirements of the BASIX Certificate to minimise solar reflections to neighbouring properties. Any roof with a reflective finish is not permitted.

Green roofs and areas where solar panels (PV) are installed are excluded from conforming to the SA range.

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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.

# 15. 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.

# CONDITIONS THAT MUST BE ADDRESSED PRIOR TO ANY COMMENCEMENT

## 16. **Project Arborist**

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 the Arboricultural Impact Assessment & Tree Protection Plan dated 19th of November 2024 prepared by The Ents Tree Consultancy and AS4970-2009 Protection of trees on development sites.

The Project Arborist shall be in attendance and supervise all works as nominated in the Arboricultural Impact Assessment.

All tree protection measures specified must:

- a) be in place before work commences on the site, and
- b) be maintained in good condition during the construction period, and
- c) remain in place for the duration of the construction works.

The Project Arborist shall provide certification to the Principal Certifier that all tree protection measures under AS4970-2009 have been satisfied, and the recommendations listed for the protection of the existing trees have been carried out satisfactorily to ensure no impact to the health of the trees. 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 preserved and shall be the subject of a modification application where applicable.

Reason: Tree protection.

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# 17. Sediment and Erosion Controls

For developments that include more than 2500sqm of disturbance:

A Soil and Water Management plan (SWMP), in accordance with section 2.3 of the Blue Book, must be prepared and certified by a suitably qualified professional.

For sites larger than 250sqm and less than 2500sqm of disturbance:

An Erosion and Sediment Control Plan (ESCP) must be prepared by a suitably qualified person in accordance with the following considerations and documents:

- Sites that have slopes exceeding 20% (measured in any direction across the site), and/or where works are within the high-water mark or adjacent to a waterway or watercourses are considered environmentally sensitive areas. These sites require a site-specific ESCP which must be prepared and certified by a suitably qualified professional,
- The guidelines set out in the NSW Department of Housing manual 'Managing Urban Stormwater: Soils and Construction Certificate – Volume 1, 4th Edition (2004)' (the Blue Book), and
- The 'Guidelines for Erosion and Sediment Control on Building Sites' (Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure).

The ESCP must include the following as a minimum:

- Site Boundaries and contours,
- Approximate location of trees and other vegetation, showing items for removal or retention (consistent with any other plans attached to the application),
- Location of site access, proposed roads and other impervious areas (e.g. parking area and site facilities),
- Existing and proposed drainage patterns with stormwater discharge points,
- Locations and methods of all erosion and sediment controls that must include sediment fences, stabilised site access, materials and waste stockpiles locations, location of any stormwater pits on the site and how they are going to be protected,
- North point and scale,
- Type of erosion control measures to divert and slow run-off around and within the site.

Environmentally sensitive areas (i.e. Sites that have slopes exceeding 20% and/or where works are within the high-water mark or adjacent to a waterway or watercourses) must also consider:

- Identify and mark any environmentally sensitive areas on and immediately next to the site and how you will protect these, including any appropriate buffer zones (for example, marking them out as 'no-go' areas),
- Details on vegetation you will clear, as well as areas of vegetation you will keep (mark no go areas),
- Detail on soil information and location(s) of problem soil types, especially dispersive soils and potential or actual acid sulfate soils,
- Location of any natural waterways that could receive run-off and how these will be protected these from run-off.

For sites smaller than 250sqm or where the disturbance is less than 50sqm:

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Run-off and erosion controls must be implemented to prevent soil erosion, water pollution or the discharge of loose sediment on the surrounding land by:

- Diverting uncontaminated run-off around cleared or disturbed areas, and
- Erecting a silt fence and providing any other necessary sediment control measures that will prevent debris escaping into drainage systems, waterways or adjoining properties,
- Preventing the tracking of sediment by vehicles onto roads, and
- Stockpiling top soil, excavated materials, construction and landscaping supplies and debris within the lot.
- Identifying any environmentally sensitive areas on and immediately next to the site, and demonstrating how these will be protected (for example, by designation as no-go areas).

Details demonstrating compliance with the relevant requirements above are to be submitted to the Certifier, and the measures implemented, prior to the commencement of works.

Reason: To ensure no substance other than rainwater enters the stormwater system and waterways.

# **DURING BUILDING WORK**

# 18. Protection of Landscape Features and Sites of Significance

All natural landscape features including natural rock outcrops, natural vegetation, soil and watercourses are to remain undisturbed during demolition, excavation and construction works except where affected by works detailed on approved plans.

Should any Aboriginal Cultural Heritage items be uncovered during earthworks, works should cease in the area and the Aboriginal Heritage Office contacted to assess the finds.

Under Section 89a of the NPW Act should the objects be found to be Aboriginal, NSW Biodiversity and Conservation Division, Heritage NSW and the Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council (MLALC) should be contacted.

Reason: Preservation of significant environmental features.

# 19. **Tree and Vegetation Protection**

- a) Existing trees and vegetation shall be retained and protected, including:
  - all trees within the site with the exception of trees numbered 13 and 14 as identified in the Arboricultural Impact Assessment & Tree Protection Plan dated 19th of November 2024 prepared by The Ents Tree Consultancy,
  - 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 the Arboricultural Impact
    Assessment & Tree Protection Plan dated 19th of November 2024 prepared
    by The Ents Tree Consultancy and AS4970-2009 Protection of trees on
    development sites,

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- ii) existing ground levels shall be maintained within the tree protection zone of trees to be retained, unless authorised by the Project Arborist,
- iii) removal of existing tree roots at or >25mm (Ø) diameter is not permitted without consultation with the Project Arborist,
- 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 the Project Arborist on site,
- vi) excavation for stormwater lines and all other utility services is not permitted within the tree protection zone, without consultation with the Project Arborist including advice on root protection measures,
- vii) should either or all of v) or vi) occur during site establishment and construction works, the Project Arborist shall provide recommendations for tree protection measures. Details including photographic evidence of works undertaken shall be submitted by the 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 AS4970-2009 Protection of trees on development sites,
- ix) the activities listed in section 4.2 of AS4970-2009 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 AS4373-2007 Pruning of amenity trees,
- xi) the tree protection measures specified in this clause 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.

#### The Principal Certifier must ensure that:

c) The arboricultural works listed in a) and b) are undertaken and certified by the Project Arborist as complaint to AS4970-2009 Protection of trees on development sites, and any recommendations of an approved Arboricultural Impact Assessment.

Reason: Tree and vegetation protection.

# 20. Condition of Trees

During the construction period the applicant is responsible for ensuring all existing trees required to be retained are maintained in a healthy and vigorous condition. This is to be done by ensuring that all identified tree protection measures are adhered to or by seeking arboricultural advice from the Project Arborist during the works.

In this regard all protected trees shall not exhibit:

- i) a general decline in health and vigour,
- ii) damaged, crushed or dying roots due to poor pruning techniques,

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- iii) more than 10% loss or dieback of roots, branches and foliage,
- iv) mechanical damage or bruising of bark and timber of roots, trunk and branches,
- v) yellowing of foliage or a thinning of the canopy untypical of its species,
- vi) an increase in the amount of deadwood not associated with normal growth,
- vii) an increase in kino or gum exudation,
- viii) inappropriate increases in epicormic growth that may indicate that the plants are in a stressed condition,
- ix) branch drop, torn branches and stripped bark not associated with natural climatic conditions.

Any mitigating measures and recommendations required by the Arborist are to be implemented.

The owner of the adjoining allotment of land is not liable for the cost of work carried out for the purpose of this clause.

Reason: Protection of trees.

#### 21. 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.

#### 22. 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.

# 23. Road Reserve

The applicant shall ensure the public footways and roadways adjacent to the site are maintained in a safe condition at all times during the course of the work.

Reason: Public safety.

## 24. Handling of asbestos during demolition

While demolition work is being carried out, any work involving the removal of asbestos must comply with the following requirements:

- Only an asbestos removal contractor who holds the required class of Asbestos Licence issued by SafeWork NSW must carry out the removal, handling and disposal of any asbestos material;
- Asbestos waste in any form must be disposed of at a waste facility licensed by the NSW Environment Protection Authority to accept asbestos waste; and
- Any asbestos waste load over 100kg (including asbestos contaminated soil) or 10m² or more of asbestos sheeting must be registered with the EPA online reporting tool WasteLocate.

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Reason: To ensure that the removal of asbestos is undertaken safely and professionally.

## 25. **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.

## 26. **Demolition Works - Asbestos**

Demolition works must be carried out in compliance with WorkCover Short Guide to Working with Asbestos Cement and Australian Standard AS 2601 2001 The Demolition of Structures.

The site must be provided with a sign containing the words DANGER ASBESTOS REMOVAL IN PROGRESS measuring not less than 400 mm x 300 mm and be erected in a prominent visible position on the site. The sign is to be erected prior to demolition work commencing and is to remain in place until such time as all asbestos cement has been removed from the site and disposed to a lawful waste disposal facility.

All asbestos laden waste, including flat, corrugated or profiled asbestos cement sheets must be disposed of at a lawful waste disposal facility. Upon completion of tipping operations the applicant must lodge to the Principal Certifier, all receipts issued by the receiving tip as evidence of proper disposal.

Adjoining property owners are to be given at least seven (7) days' notice in writing of the intention to disturb and remove asbestos from the development site.

Reason: To ensure the long term health of workers on site and occupants of the building is not put at risk unnecessarily.

## 27. 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.

# 28. Maintenance of Sediment and Erosion Controls

Erosion and sediment controls must be adequately maintained and monitored at all times, particularly surrounding periods of rain, and shall remain in proper operation until all development activities have been completed and the site is in a state where no substance other than rainwater can enter the stormwater system and waterways.

All sediment control measures must be maintained at, or above, their design capacity.

Where more than 2500 square metres of land are disturbed or if the site has a slope of more than 20%, a self-auditing program must be developed for the site. A site inspection using a log book or inspection test plan (ITP) must be undertaken by the site supervisor:

at least each week

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- immediately before site closure
- immediately following rainfall events that cause runoff.

Details demonstrating compliance must be provided to the Certifier during demolition and building works.

Reason: Protection of the receiving environment and to ensure no substance other than rainwater enters the stormwater system and waterways.

# 29. 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.

# BEFORE ISSUE OF THE OCCUPATION CERTIFICATE

# 30. Installation and certification of solid/fuel burning heater

The solid fuel heater must be certified to comply with Australian Standards 4012 and 4013.

Provide to the Principal Certifier certification that the solid fuel heater has been installed by an appropriately experienced and qualified person, in accordance with the relevant provisions of AS2918 – Domestic Solid Fuel Burning Appliances – Installation.

Reason: To ensure the installation is completed in a legislatively compliant manner.

## 31. Condition of Retained Vegetation

Prior to the issue of an Occupation Certificate, a report prepared by the Project Arborist 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:

- a) compliance to any Arborist recommendations for tree protection generally and during excavation works,
- b) extent of damage sustained by vegetation as a result of the construction works,
- c) any subsequent remedial works required to ensure the long term retention of the vegetation.

Reason: Tree and vegetation protection.

## 32. Replacement of Canopy Trees

At least 2 locally native canopy trees are to be planted on the site to replace trees approved for removal. Species are to have a minimum mature height of 8.5m and be consistent with the Native Planting Guide available on Council's website.

Tree plantings are to be retained for the life of the development and/or for their safe natural life. Trees that die or are removed must be replaced with another locally native canopy tree.

Replacement plantings are to be certified as being completed in accordance with these conditions of consent by a qualified landscape architect, and details submitted to the Principal Certifier prior to issue of any Occupation Certificate.

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Reason: To establish appropriate native landscaping.

# 33. 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.

# 34. Waste disposal verification statement

On completion of demolition work:

- a signed statement must be submitted to the certifier verifying that demolition work, and any recycling of materials, was undertaken in accordance with the waste management plan approved under this consent,
- if the demolition work involved the removal of asbestos, an asbestos clearance certificate issued by a suitably qualified person, must be submitted to <Insert the certifier OR council (where a certifier is not required)> within 14 days of completion of the demolition work.

Reason: To provide for the submission of a statement verifying that demolition waste management and recycling has been undertaken in accordance with the approved waste management plan.

# 35. Positive Covenant and Restriction as to User for On-site Stormwater Disposal Structures

The Applicant shall lodge the Legal Documents Authorisation Application with the original completed request forms (NSW Land Registry standard forms 13PC and/or 13RPA) to Council and a copy of the Works-as-Executed plan (details overdrawn on a copy of the approved drainage plan by a Registered Surveyor), and Civil Engineers' certification.

The Applicant shall create on the Title a restriction on the use of land and a positive covenant in respect to the ongoing maintenance and restriction of the on-site stormwater disposal structures 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 party to release, vary or modify such covenant. A copy of the certificate of title demonstrating the creation of the positive covenant and restriction for on-site stormwater disposal system as to user is to be submitted

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

Reason: To ensure the on-site stormwater disposal system is maintained to an appropriate operational standard.

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# 36. 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.

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

# 37. Control of Domestic Dogs/Cats

Domestic dogs and cats are to be kept from entering wildlife habitat areas at all times.

Dogs and cats are to be kept in an enclosed area and/or inside the dwelling, or on a leash such that they cannot enter areas of wildlife habitat, bushland or foreshore unrestrained, on the site or on surrounding properties or reserves.

Reason: To protect native wildlife and habitat.

#### 38. 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.

## 39. Maintenance of solid fuel heaters

The owner/occupier shall ensure servicing of the heater is maintained according to the manufacturer's specifications.

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

# 40. Operation of solid fuel burning heaters

The owner/operator must take all practicable measures to prevent the likelihood of causing smoke and/or odour nuisances. Such measures must include:

- Using dry seasoned hardwood
- Storing wood in a dry well-ventilated place
- Having a hot and well oxygenated fire
- Ensuring that the chimney flue is clean
- Checking the chimney at different stages of the fire to see if there is any smoke
- Maintenance according to the manufacturer's specifications

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

In signing this report, I declare that I do not have a Conflict of Interest.

## Signed

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**Brittany Harrison, Planner** 

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The application is determined on 16/05/2025, under the delegated authority of:

**Adam Richardson, Manager Development Assessments** 

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