

## Traffic Engineer Referral Response

<b>Application Number:</b>	DA2023/1392
<b>Proposed Development:</b>	Demolition and construction of Seniors Housing including strata subdivision
<b>Date:</b>	11/03/2024
<b>Responsible Officer</b>	
<b>Land to be developed (Address):</b>	Lot 1 DP 1151053 , 20 Homestead Avenue COLLAROY NSW 2097 Lot 2 DP 1151053 , 16 Homestead Avenue COLLAROY NSW 2097

### Officer comments

#### Supported, subject to conditions

The development application is for a seniors housing development incorporating 6 x independent living units with offstreet parking for 13 cars including one visitor space

#### Parking

As the development is for 6 x 3 bedroom units and SEPP Housing requires 0.5 spaces/bedroom, the parking requirement is therefore a minimum of  $0.5 \times 18 = 9$  car spaces. The proposed 13 car spaces exceeds the SEPP requirement and is acceptable. It is noted that each unit will also have an accessible or adaptable parking space which addresses and exceeds the DCP requirement for adaptable parking spaces and facilitates aging in place by occupants of the development. For visitor parking, although not detailed in the SEPP, the Warringah DCP requires 1 space per 5 units of part thereof for visitors i.e 2 visitor parking spaces would be required in addition to a minimum of 9 residential spaces. Given the oversupply of residential spaces the single visitor space is acceptable.

#### Vehicle Access

The driveway and ramp is single width, not allowing for passing on the ramp and vehicles encountering each other on the ramp would therefore have to reverse up or down a narrow steep ramp to allow the other to pass. This is considered unsafe, particularly for a seniors housing development and while it would be preferred if the driveway and ramp were widened to 5.5m over the full length between basement and kerb, the applicant has proposed a waiting bay at the base of the ramp with traffic signal control to manage opposing access. This is acceptable given the relatively low number of vehicle movements to and from the site and the low volumes of traffic on Homestead Avenue.

The driveway and access ramp gradients appear to be compliant with AS2890.1 clause 2.5.3

#### access to public transport

SEPP housing requires that independent living units must be sited within 400m of transport. It is noted that there are bus stops on either side of Pittwater Road within 400m of the development site

SEPP Housing also requires that such stops be accessible by an accessible pathway graded at an average gradient of no more than 1 in 14. The footpath survey demonstrates that the average gradient is around 1 in 20 with footpath segments not exceeding grade limits outlined in the SEPP.

The development therefore meets the requirements for access to transport

#### Summary

there are no traffic engineering concerns relating to approval of the development

The proposal is therefore supported.

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

#### **Recommended Traffic Engineer Conditions:**

### **DEVELOPMENT CONSENT OPERATIONAL CONDITIONS**

#### **Fencing Height / Vegetation**

All fencing and/or vegetation along the frontage road(s) shall not impede pedestrian or driver visibility. This requires that vegetation does not exceed one (1) metre in height. Appropriate plants shall be selected within the 2.0 x 2.5m splay to ensure this condition is met.

Reason: To ensure maximum vehicular and pedestrian visibility.

#### **Staff and Contractor Parking**

The applicant is to make provision for parking for all construction staff and contractors for the duration of the project. All Staff and Contractors are to use the basement parking once available. All necessary facilities are to be provided to accommodate this requirement including lighting in the basement, security cameras, etc.

Reason: To ensure minimum impact of construction activity on local parking amenity.

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

#### **Car Parking Standards**

The driveway/access ramp grades, access and car parking facilities must comply with the Australian/New Zealand Standard AS/NZS 2890.1:2004 - Parking facilities - Off-street car parking. The dimensions of car parking bays and aisle widths in the car park are to comply with Australian/New Zealand Standard for Off-Street Parking AS/NZS 2890.1-2004.

Details demonstrating compliance with this condition are to be submitted to the Principal Certifier prior to the issue of a construction certificate.

Reason: To ensure compliance with Australian Standards relating to manoeuvring, access and parking of vehicles.

### **Car Parking Finishes**

All driveways, car parking areas and pedestrian paths are to be surfaced and sealed. Details of treatment to these areas are to be submitted to the Principal Certifier prior to issue of the Construction Certificate.

Reason: To provide suitable stormwater disposal and to prevent soil erosion and runoff.

### **Construction Traffic Management Plan**

A Construction Traffic Management Plan (CTMP) and report shall be prepared by a Transport for NSW accredited person and submitted to and approved by the Northern Beaches Council Traffic Team prior to issue of any Construction Certificate.

The CTMP must address following:

- The proposed phases of construction works on the site, and the expected duration of each construction phase.
- The proposed order in which works on the site will be undertaken, and the method statements on how various stages of construction will be undertaken.
- Make provision for all construction materials to be stored on site, at all times.
- The proposed areas within the site to be used for the storage of excavated materials, construction materials and waste containers during the construction period.
- The proposed method of access to and egress from the site for construction vehicles, including access routes and truck routes through the Council area and the location and type of temporary vehicular crossing for the purpose of minimising traffic congestion and noise in the area, with no access across public parks or reserves being allowed.
- Where access is required across private property not in the direct ownership of the proponent, such as a private road/driveway, community title road or right of way, the CTMP is to include:
  - Evidence of the legal right and terms to use the access route or provide owners consent from the owners/strata/community association.
  - Demonstrate that direct access from a public space/road is not viable for each stage of works.
  - An assessment to be carried out of the physical constraints of the Right of Carriageway to determine the maximum size of vehicle that may access the site via the Right of Carriageway during construction.
  - Unless owner/strata/community associations consent is obtained, vehicles are not to exceed 24 tonnes or 7.5 metres in length (an assessment must be undertaken that the surface is capable of supporting up to 24 tonnes, otherwise the weight limit should be reduced in the CTMP). If consent is obtained, a copy must be included in the CTMP.
  - No construction vehicles, materials or plant are to be located or parked in the private road/driveway, community title road or right of way.
  - How any disruption to other users of the private road/driveway, community title road or right of way will be minimised and all users kept informed of likely disruption where the access will be closed or blocked for any given time.
  - If trees are located within or overhang the access route, a tree protection plan prepared by an Arborist with minimum AQF Level 5 in arboriculture demonstrating how any trees within the Right of Carriageway will be protected from damage by construction vehicles. Should any tree protection measures be required on private land in accordance with AS4970-2009 Protection of trees on development sites, owner's consent must be obtained.
  - A Dilapidation report, including photographic surveys, of the private road/driveway/right of way must be included prior to any works commencing on the site. The report must

detail the physical condition of the private road/driveway/right of way, and any other adjacent private property assets (including trees) or adjacent public property that may be adversely affected by vehicles servicing the development site to undertake works or activity during site works.

- A requirement for Post-Construction Dilapidation Reports, including photos of any damage evident at the time of inspection, to be submitted after the completion of works and prior to the Occupation certificate. The report must:
  - Compare the post-construction report with the pre-construction report,
  - Clearly identify any recent damage or change to the private road/driveway/right of way and whether or not it is likely to be the result of the development works,
  - Should any damage have occurred, identify remediation actions taken.
  - Be submitted to Council with the Occupation Certificate.
- The proposed method of loading and unloading excavation and construction machinery, excavation and building materials, formwork and the erection of any part of the structure within the site. Wherever possible mobile cranes should be located wholly within the site.
- Make provision for parking onsite. All Staff and Contractors are to use any basement parking once available.
- Temporary truck standing/ queuing locations in a public roadway/ domain in the vicinity of the site are not permitted unless approved by Council prior.
- Include a Traffic Control Plan prepared by a person with suitable RMS accreditation for any activities involving the management of vehicle and pedestrian safety.
- The proposed manner in which adjoining property owners will be kept advised of the timeframes for completion of each phase of development/construction process. It must also specify that a minimum Fourteen (14) days notification must be provided to adjoining property owners prior to the implementation of any temporary traffic control measure.
- Include a site plan showing the location of any site sheds, location of requested Work Zones, anticipated use of cranes and concrete pumps, structures proposed on the footpath areas (hoardings, scaffolding or shoring) and any tree protection zones around Council street trees.
- Take into consideration the combined construction activities of other development in the surrounding area. To this end, the consultant preparing the CTMP must engage and consult with developers undertaking major development works within a 250m radius of the subject site to ensure that appropriate measures are in place to prevent the combined impact of construction activities, such as (but not limited to) concrete pours, crane lifts and dump truck routes. These communications must be documented and submitted to Council prior to work commencing on site.
- The proposed method/device to remove loose material from all vehicles and/or machinery before entering the road reserve, any run-off from the washing down of vehicles shall be directed to the sediment control system within the site.
- Specify that the public roadway (including footpath) must be kept in a serviceable condition for the duration of construction. At the direction of Council, undertake remedial treatments such as patching at no cost to Council.
- The proposed method of support to any excavation adjacent to adjoining properties, or the road reserve. The proposed method of support is to be designed and certified by an appropriately qualified and practising Structural Engineer, or equivalent.
- Proposed protection for Council and adjoining properties.
- The location and operation of any on site crane.

The CTMP shall be prepared in accordance with relevant sections of Australian Standard 1742 – “Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices”, RMS’ Manual – “Traffic Control at Work Sites”.

All fees and charges associated with the review of this plan is to be in accordance with Council’s

Schedule of Fees and Charges and are to be paid at the time that the Construction Traffic Management Plan is submitted.

A copy of the approved CTMP must be kept on-site at all times while work is being carried out.

The development is to be undertaken in accordance with the Construction Traffic Management Plan approved by Northern Beaches Council Traffic Team.

Reason: To ensure public safety and minimise any impacts to the adjoining pedestrian and vehicular traffic systems.

### **Removal of Redundant Driveways**

All redundant driveways shall be removed and reinstated to Council standard kerb and gutter. Suitably prepared plans shall be submitted to for an approval under and approved by Council prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate. All costs associated with the works shall be borne by the applicant.

A plan checking fee (amount to be advised) and lodgement of a performance bond may be required from the applicant prior to the release of the approval.

Reason: To maximise on street car parking by removing driveways that are no longer needed in accordance with Council policy.

## **CONDITIONS THAT MUST BE ADDRESSED PRIOR TO ANY COMMENCEMENT**

### **Work Zones and Permits**

Prior to commencement of the associated works, the applicant shall obtain a Work Zone Permit where it is proposed to reserve an area of road pavement for the parking of vehicles associated with a construction site.

A separate application is required with a Traffic Management Plan for standing of construction vehicles in a trafficable lane

Reason: To ensure Work zones are monitored and installed correctly.

### **Demolition Traffic Management Plan**

As a result of the site constraints, limited vehicle access and parking, a Demolition Traffic Management Plan (DTMP) shall be prepared by an suitably accredited person and submitted to and approved by the Northern Beaches Council Traffic Team prior to commencing any demolition work.

Due to heavy traffic congestion throughout the area, truck movements will be restricted during the major commuter peak times being 8.00-9.30am and 4.30-6.00pm.

The DTMP must:-

- Make provision for all construction materials to be stored on site, at all times.
- The DTMP is to be adhered to at all times during the project.
- Specify construction truck routes and truck rates. Nominated truck routes are to be distributed over the surrounding road network where possible.
- Provide for the movement of trucks to and from the site, and deliveries to the site. Temporary truck standing/ queuing locations in a public roadway/ domain in the vicinity of the site is not permitted unless prior approval is granted by Council's Traffic Engineers.

- Include a Traffic Control Plan prepared by an TfNSW accredited traffic controller for any activities involving the management of vehicle and pedestrian traffic.
- Specify that a minimum fourteen (14) days notification must be provided to adjoining property owners prior to the implementation of any temporary traffic control measures.
- Include a site plan showing the location of any site sheds, location of requested Work Zones, anticipated use of cranes, structures proposed on the footpath areas (hoardings, scaffolding or temporary shoring) and extent of tree protection zones around Council street trees.
- Take into consideration the combined construction activities of other development in the surrounding area. To this end, the consultant preparing the DTMP must engage and consult with developers undertaking major development works within a 250m radius of the subject site to ensure that appropriate measures are in place to prevent the combined impact of construction activities. These communications must be documented and submitted to Council prior to work commencing on site.
- Specify spoil management process and facilities to be used on site.
- Specify that the roadway (including footpath) must be kept in a serviceable condition for the duration of demolition. At the direction of Council, the applicant is to undertake remedial treatments such as patching at no cost to Council.

The DTMP shall be prepared in accordance with relevant sections of Australian Standard 1742 – “Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices”, RMS’ Manual – “Traffic Control at Work Sites”.

All fees and charges associated with the review of this plan is to be in accordance with Council’s Schedule of Fees and Charges and are to be paid at the time that the Demolition Traffic Management Plan is submitted.

Reason: This condition is to ensure public safety and minimise any impacts to the adjoining pedestrian and vehicular traffic systems. The DTMP is intended to minimise impact of construction activities on the surrounding community, in terms of vehicle traffic (including traffic flow and parking) and pedestrian amenity adjacent to the site.

## **CONDITIONS TO BE COMPLIED WITH DURING DEMOLITION AND BUILDING WORK**

### **Implementation of Demolition Traffic Management Plan**

All works and demolition activities are to be undertaken in accordance with the approved Demolition Traffic Management Plan (DTMP). All controls in the DTMP must be maintained at all times and all traffic management control must be undertaken by personnel having appropriate TfNSW accreditation. Should the implementation or effectiveness of the DTMP be impacted by surrounding major development not encompassed in the approved DTMP, the DTMP measures and controls are to be revised accordingly and submitted to Council for approval. A copy of the approved DTMP is to be kept onsite at all times and made available to the accredited certifier or Council on request.

Reason: To ensure compliance and Council’s ability to modify the approved Construction Traffic Management Plan where it is deemed unsuitable during the course of the project.

### **Implementation of Construction Traffic Management Plan**

All works and construction activities are to be undertaken in accordance with the approved Construction Traffic Management Plan (CTMP). All controls in the CTMP must be maintained at all times and all traffic management control must be undertaken by personnel having appropriate TfNSW accreditation. Should the implementation or effectiveness of the CTMP be impacted by surrounding major development not encompassed in the approved CTMP, the CTMP measures and controls are to be revised accordingly and submitted to Council for approval. A copy of the approved CTMP is to be



kept onsite at all times and made available to Council on request.

Reason: To ensure compliance of the developer/builder in adhering to the Construction Traffic Management procedures agreed and are held liable to the conditions of consent.

### **Ongoing Management**

The applicant shall be responsible in ensuring that the road reserve remains in a serviceable state during the course of the demolition and building works.

Reason: To ensure public safety.

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

### **Basement Garage Traffic Signal System**

To prevent conflicting vehicle flows on the internal basement garage ramp and avoid vehicles having to reverse up/ down the ramp, a traffic signal system must be installed at each ramp entry, designed to warn drivers about to enter the road of any conflicting vehicle approaching.

The signal system must;

- be clearly visible from ramp entrances,
- is to clearly indicate to an approaching driver, by way of red light or wording, that an opposing vehicle has entered the ramp,
- Incorporate linemarking to delineate traffic flow and nominate waiting bay locations to allow vehicles to overtake another.

Details of the system, including the system operation, components and placement within the development, must be specified by a practising Traffic Engineer. This engineer is to submit a compliance certificate to the Principal Certifier that the system has been installed and operating as designed, in accordance with the requirements of this condition, prior to the issue of an Occupation Certificate issued for the development.

Reason: To ensure no vehicle conflicts within the basement carpark.

### **Allocation of parking spaces (strata title)**

All carparking spaces are to be assigned to individual units. All residential units must be assigned 2 parking spaces. Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Principal Certifier prior to the issue of any Occupation Certificate.

Reason: To ensure parking availability for all residents.

### **Disabled Parking Spaces**

Where disabled parking spaces are provided they must be in accordance with AS2890.6:2009.

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

Reason: To ensure compliance with Australian Standards.

### **Footpath Construction**

The footpath, in accordance to Council's standard specifications, shall be reconstructed along the

property frontage to Council's satisfaction. Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Principal Certifier prior to the issue of any Occupation Certificate.

Reason: To provide pedestrian access to and from the property.

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

##### **Landscaping adjoining vehicular access**

The applicant must ensure that the planting chosen for any land immediately adjacent to the driveway and adjacent to any driveway intersections must not exceed a height of 1m

Reason: To maintain unobstructed sight distance for motorists.