

Natural Environment Referral Response - Biodiversity

Application Number:	DA2019/1352
Responsible Officer	Megan Surtees
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 5 DP 22275 , 30 Binburra Avenue AVALON BEACH NSW 2107

Reasons for referral

This application seeks consent development on land, or within 40m of land, containing:

- All Development Applications on
- Actual or potential threatened species, populations, ecological communities, or their habitats;
- Wildlife corridors;
- Vegetation query stipulating that a Flora and Fauna Assessment is required;
- Vegetation query - X type located in both A & C Wards;

And as such, Council's Natural Environment Unit officers are required to consider the likely potential environmental impacts.

Officer comments

The following controls apply to the subject site:

- Pittwater LEP Clause 7.6 (Terrestrial Biodiversity)
- Pittwater DCP Clause B4.6 (Wildlife Corridors)

The subject site is heavily modified and largely cleared of native vegetation. It is therefore considered that the proposal will not result in further impact to native vegetation or biodiversity values on the site.

Referral Body Recommendation

Recommended for approval, subject to conditions

Recommended Natural Environment Conditions:

CONDITIONS TO BE COMPLIED WITH DURING DEMOLITION AND BUILDING WORK

Fencing for Wildlife Passage

Any new fencing (with the exception of swimming pool fencing) is to be made passable to native wildlife. Hole dimensions are to be a minimum of 150mm wide x 100mm high at ground level spaced at 6 metre intervals.

Reason: Management of wildlife corridors

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

Tree Retention

In order to protect and enhance onsite vegetation and trees the following applies to the development site:

(a) Existing trees which must be retained (Tree Root Protection)

- All trees unless exempt or noxious in the relevant planning instruments
- All trees located on adjoining land

(b) Tree protection

- i) No tree roots greater than 50mm diameter are to be cut from protected trees unless authorised by a qualified Arborist on site.
- ii) All structures are to bridge tree roots greater than 50mm diameter unless directed otherwise by a qualified Arborist on site.
- iii) All tree protection to be in accordance with AS4970-2009 Protection of trees on development sites, particularly Section 4 Tree Protection Measures.
- iv) All tree pruning within the subject site is to be in accordance with WDCP2011 Clause E1 Private Property Tree Management and AS 4373- 2007 Pruning of amenity trees AS4970-2009 Protection of trees on development sites.
- v) All tree protection measures are to be in place prior to commencement of works

Reason: To ensure the retention of the Urban Forest/Natural Environment.

No Planting Environmental Weeds

No environmental weeds are to be planted on the site. Information on weeds of the Northern Beaches can be found at the NSW WeedWise website (<http://weeds.dpi.nsw.gov.au/>).

Reason: Weed management.

Dead or Injured Wildlife

If construction activity associated with this development results in injury or death of a native mammal, bird, reptile or amphibian, a registered wildlife rescue and rehabilitation organisation must be contacted for advice.

Reason: To mitigate potential impacts to native wildlife resulting from construction activity.