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Subject: DA2022/2277 - 272 Whale Beach Road WHALE BEACH

Attn: Phil Lane

Dear Phil,

**Development Application No. DA2022/2277** 

Description: Demolition works and construction of a dwelling house including garage

Address: 272 Whale Beach Road WHALE BEACH

No sites are recorded in the current development area and the area has been subject to previous disturbance reducing the likelihood of surviving unrecorded Aboriginal sites.

If areas of *in situ* sandstone outcrop are in the proposed development area or revealed during works the Aboriginal Heritage Office would recommend a preliminary inspection by a qualified Aboriginal heritage professional prior to any further development. Under the Due Diligence Code of Practice for the Protection of Aboriginal Objects in New South Wales certain landscape features, including cave, rock shelter or cave mouth, are considered to have high potential for recorded and unrecorded Aboriginal sites.

If there are no existing sandstone outcrops present (or if any outcrops that were present were properly excluded from future impacts), then no further assessment is required and the Aboriginal Heritage Office would not foresee any further Aboriginal heritage constraints on the proposal.

Under the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974 (NPW Act) all Aboriginal objects are protected. Should

any Aboriginal Cultural Heritage items be uncovered during earthworks, works should cease in the area and the Aboriginal Heritage Office assess the finds. Under Section 89a of the NPW Act should the objects be found to be Aboriginal, Heritage NSW and the Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council (MLALC) should be contacted.

Kind regards

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I acknowledge and pay my respects to the traditional owners and ancestors of the lands in which the AHO work across.