

DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION ASSESSMENT REPORT

Application Number:	DA2022/1353
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Responsible Officer:	Kye Miles
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 43 DP 219787, 9 Allington Crescent ELANORA HEIGHTS NSW 2101
Proposed Development:	Alterations and additions to a dwelling house including a swimming pool
Zoning:	R2 Low Density Residential
Development Permissible:	Yes
Existing Use Rights:	No
Consent Authority:	Northern Beaches Council
Land and Environment Court Action:	No
Owner:	Klytie Varsha Sheppard
Applicant:	Klytie Varsha Sheppard Jenny Hall

Application Lodged:	24/08/2022
Integrated Development:	No
Designated Development:	No
State Reporting Category:	Residential - Alterations and additions
Notified:	07/09/2022 to 21/09/2022
Advertised:	Not Advertised
Submissions Received:	0
Clause 4.6 Variation:	Nil
Recommendation:	Approval

Estimated Cost of Works:	\$ 650,301.85
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PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT IN DETAIL

Development application for alterations and additions to an exiting dwelling house. The works comprise;

Lower ground floor:

- Excavation of existing sub floor area,
- Construction of a double garage, store, office, cellar and music room.

Ground floor:

- Internal alterations,
- Extension to the eastern side of the dwelling provide a new entry verandah, and living room with a balcony,
- Construction of a swimming pool within the existing rear patio.

First floor:

- Substantial alterations and additions to the first floor, including three bedrooms, two bathrooms, a living area and east facing balcony.

Amended plans and additional information:

Following a review of the application, Council raised concern with the bulk and scale of the first floor extension. Amended plans were received on 01 November 2022, which included, increasing the first floor northern setback. In addition, certified geotechnical forms were received on 02 November 2022. In accordance with the provisions of the Northern Beaches Community Participation Plan, as the amendments are considered to be minor and will result in a lesser environmental impact on nearby properties and the public domain, re-notification of the application was not required. The amended plans form basis of the assessment of this proposal.

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 - 7.2 Earthworks

Pittwater 21 Development Control Plan - D5.5 Front building line (Excluding Elanora Heights Village Centre)

Pittwater 21 Development Control Plan - D5.6 Side and rear building line (Excluding Elanora Heights Village Centre)

Pittwater 21 Development Control Plan - D5.7 Building envelope (Excluding Elanora Heights Village Centre)

Pittwater 21 Development Control Plan - D5.8 Landscaped Area - General (Excluding Elanora Heights

Village Centre)

SITE DESCRIPTION

Property Description:	Lot 43 DP 219787 , 9 Allington Crescent ELANORA HEIGHTS NSW 2101
Detailed Site Description:	<p>The subject site consists of one (1) allotment located on the western side of Allington Crescent.</p> <p>The site is irregular in shape with a frontage of 19.2m along Allington Crescent and a maximum depth of 42.8m. The site has a surveyed area of 699m².</p> <p>The site is located within the R2 Low Density Residential zone and accommodates two storey detached dwelling house.</p> <p>The site slopes to the western boundary with an approximate fall of 4.0m.</p> <p>The site contains canopy trees, turfed areas and rock outcrops.</p> <p>Detailed Description of Adjoining/Surrounding Development</p> <p>Adjoining and surrounding development is characterised by low density development vary of age, size and construction.</p>

Map:



SITE HISTORY

A search of Council's records has revealed that there are no recent or relevant applications for this site.

The land has been used for residential purposes for an extended period of time.

ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT, 1979 (EPAA)

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

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)(iia) – 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)	<p><u>Part 4, Division 2</u> 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.</p> <p><u>Clauses 36 and 94</u> of the EP&A Regulation 2021 allow Council to request additional information. Additional information was requested in relation to amended plans.</p> <p><u>Clause 61</u> 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.</p> <p><u>Clause 69</u> 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.</p> <p><u>Clause 69</u> 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.</p>
Section 4.15 (1) (b) – the likely impacts of the development, including environmental impacts on the natural and built environment and social and economic impacts in the locality	<p>(i) Environmental Impact 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.</p> <p>(ii) Social Impact The proposed development will not have a detrimental social impact in the locality considering the character of the proposal.</p>

Section 4.15 Matters for Consideration	Comments
	(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 development application has been publicly exhibited from 07/09/2022 to 21/09/2022 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
NECC (Development Engineering)	The proposal is for alterations and additions to the existing dwelling including a lower ground level and a pool to the rear. Where excavation greater than 1.5m depth is proposed the applicant shall submit a geotechnical report and certified forms in accordance with Pittwater 21 DCP. Additional Information Provided on 2/11/2022 The amended geotechnical report and forms addresses the requirements of the DCP. no objections to approval subject to conditions as recommended.

External Referral Body	Comments
Ausgrid - SEPP (Transport and Infrastructure) 2021,	The proposal was referred to Ausgrid who provided a response stating that the proposal is acceptable subject to compliance with the

External Referral Body	Comments
s2.48	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 (Building Sustainability Index: BASIX) 2004

A BASIX certificate has been submitted with the application (see Certificate No. A460616_02 dated 22 June 2022).

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 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	Complies
Height of Buildings:	8.5m	7.5m	Yes

Compliance Assessment

Clause	Compliance with Requirements
1.9A Suspension of covenants, agreements and instruments	Yes
4.3 Height of buildings	Yes
4.6 Exceptions to development standards	N/A
7.1 Acid sulfate soils	Yes
7.2 Earthworks	Yes
7.10 Essential services	Yes

Detailed Assessment

7.2 Earthworks

The objective of Clause 6.2 - 'Earthworks' requires development to ensure that earthworks for which development consent is required will not have a detrimental impact on environmental functions and processes, neighbouring uses, cultural or heritage items or features of the surrounding land.

In this regard, before granting development consent for earthworks, Council must consider the following matters:

(a) the likely disruption of, or any detrimental effect on, existing drainage patterns and soil stability in the locality of the development

Comment: The proposal is unlikely to unreasonably disrupt existing drainage patterns and soil stability in the locality.

(b) the effect of the proposed development on the likely future use or redevelopment of the land

Comment: The proposal will not unreasonably limit the likely future use or redevelopment of the land.

(c) the quality of the fill or the soil to be excavated, or both

Comment: The excavated material will be processed according to the Waste Management Plan for the development. A condition has been included in the recommendation of this report requiring any fill to be of a suitable quality.

(d) the effect of the proposed development on the existing and likely amenity of adjoining properties

Comment: The proposed earthworks will not result in unreasonable amenity impacts on adjoining properties. Conditions have been included in the recommendation of this report to limit impacts during excavation/construction.

(e) the source of any fill material and the destination of any excavated material

Comment: The excavated material will be processed according to the Waste Management Plan for the development. A condition has been included in the recommendation of this report requiring any fill to be of a suitable quality.

(f) the likelihood of disturbing relics

Comment: The site is not mapped as being a potential location of Aboriginal or other relics.

(g) the proximity to, and potential for adverse impacts on, any waterway, drinking water catchment or environmentally sensitive area

Comment: The site is not located in the vicinity of any watercourse, drinking water catchment or environmentally sensitive areas.

(h) any appropriate measures proposed to avoid, minimise or mitigate the impacts of the development.

Comment: Conditions are included in the recommendation of this report that will minimise the impacts of the development.

(i) the proximity to and potential for adverse impacts on any heritage item, archaeological site or heritage conservation area.

Comment: The site is not a heritage item, in the vicinity of a heritage item or in a conservation area or archaeological site.

Having regard to the above assessment, it is concluded that the proposed development is consistent with the aims and objectives of PLEP 2014, Pittwater 21 DCP and the objectives specified in s.5(a)(i) and (ii) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979. Accordingly, this assessment finds

that the proposal is supported, in this particular circumstance.

Pittwater 21 Development Control Plan

Built Form Controls

Built Form Control	Requirement	Proposed	% Variation*	Complies
Front building line	6.5m	6.0m (Balcony)	7.7%	No
Rear building line	6.5m	12.3m (Pool)	N/A	Yes
Side building line	2.5m - North	1.9m (Dwelling)	24%	No
	1.0m - South	1.3m (Dwelling)	N/A	Yes
Building envelope	3.5m - North	Outside envelope	8.6%	No
	3.5m - South	Outside envelope	25.7%	No
Landscaped area	50%	48.9% (341.7m ²)	2.2%	No

Compliance Assessment

Clause	Compliance with Requirements	Consistency Aims/Objectives
A1.7 Considerations before consent is granted	Yes	Yes
A4.5 Elanora Heights Locality	Yes	Yes
B3.6 Contaminated Land and Potentially Contaminated Land	Yes	Yes
B4.5 Landscape and Flora and Fauna Enhancement Category 3 Land	Yes	Yes
B5.15 Stormwater	Yes	Yes
B6.1 Access driveways and Works on the Public Road Reserve	Yes	Yes
B6.2 Internal Driveways	Yes	Yes
B6.3 Off-Street Vehicle Parking Requirements	Yes	Yes
B8.1 Construction and Demolition - Excavation and Landfill	Yes	Yes
B8.3 Construction and Demolition - Waste Minimisation	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	Yes	Yes
C1.6 Acoustic Privacy	Yes	Yes
C1.7 Private Open Space	Yes	Yes
C1.17 Swimming Pool Safety	Yes	Yes
C1.23 Eaves	Yes	Yes
D5.1 Character as viewed from a public place (Excluding Elanora Heights Village Centre)	Yes	Yes
D5.2 Scenic protection - General	Yes	Yes

Clause	Compliance with Requirements	Consistency Aims/Objectives
D5.3 Building colours and materials (Excluding Elanora Heights Village Centre)	Yes	Yes
D5.5 Front building line (Excluding Elanora Heights Village Centre)	No	Yes
D5.6 Side and rear building line (Excluding Elanora Heights Village Centre)	No	Yes
D5.7 Building envelope (Excluding Elanora Heights Village Centre)	No	Yes
D5.8 Landscaped Area - General (Excluding Elanora Heights Village Centre)	No	Yes
D5.13 Construction, Retaining walls, terracing and undercroft areas (Excluding Elanora Heights Village Centre)	Yes	Yes

Detailed Assessment

D5.5 Front building line (Excluding Elanora Heights Village Centre)

Description of non-compliance

The proposed balcony is set back 6.0m from the front boundary. The control requires a minimum front building line of 6.5m

Merit consideration

With regard to the consideration for a variation, the development is considered against the underlying Outcomes of the Control as follows:

- *To achieve the desired future character of the Locality.*

Comment:

The proposal will reasonably achieve the desired future character of the Elanora locality.

- *Equitable preservation of views and vistas to and/or from public/private places.*

Comment:

The proposal will not result in the loss of views.

- *The amenity of residential development adjoining a main road is maintained.*

Comment:

Not applicable as the subject site does not adjoin a main road.

- *Vegetation is retained and enhanced to visually reduce the built form.*

Comment:

The proposed balcony does not require the removal of prescribed trees or vegetation. In

addition, suitable planting is maintained along the frontage, which will assist in visually reducing the built form, when viewed from the street.

- *Vehicle manoeuvring in a forward direction is facilitated.*

Comment:

The application was referred to Development Engineering who raised no objections towards vehicular access.

- *Preserve and enhance the rural and bushland character of the non-urban area of the locality.*

Comment:

Significant vegetation remains within the subject site, thus the current bushland character will be preserved.

- *To enhance the existing streetscapes and promote a scale and density that is in keeping with the height of the natural environment.*

Comment:

The proposed balcony is attached to the ground level and well below the prescribed height limit. In this regard, the proposal maintains a scale and density that is in keeping with the height of the natural environment.

- *To encourage attractive street frontages and improve pedestrian amenity.*

Comment:

The existing street frontage remains largely unchanged by the proposal with exception of the new driveway and crossover.

- *To ensure new development responds to, reinforces and sensitively relates to the spatial characteristics of the existing urban environment.*

Comment:

The proposal will generally share the front building alignment of adjoining dwellings. Notwithstanding this non-compliance, the proposal responds to, reinforces and sensitively relates to the spatial characteristics of the existing urban environment.

Having regard to the above assessment, it is concluded that the proposed development is consistent with the relevant objectives of PLEP 2014 / P21DCP and the objectives specified in s1.3 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979. Accordingly, this assessment finds that the proposal is supported, in this particular circumstance.

D5.6 Side and rear building line (Excluding Elanora Heights Village Centre)

Description of non-compliance

On the ground floor the proposal is set back at a minimum of 1.5 metres from the northern side boundary and 1.9 metres on the first floor. P21DCP requires a minimum northern side setback of 2.5

metres, as the existing dwelling fulfils the 1.0 metre requirement to the southern boundary. It is noted that compliance with the front setbacks is constrained with the irregular allotment shape and position of the existing dwelling.

Merit consideration

With regard to the consideration for a variation, the development is considered against the underlying Outcomes of the Control as follows:

- *To achieve the desired future character of the Locality.*

Comment:

The proposal will remain consistent with the nearby development and will maintain the streetscape character of the locality. In addition, the proposal provides suitably sized landscaped area around the development, which ensures that the built form is secondary to the surrounding canopy trees and remnant vegetation.

- *The bulk and scale of the built form is minimised.*

Comment:

The proposal is appropriately articulated using recessed and modulated walls, fenestration, balconies, eaves and changes in materials to break up built form. In addition, the proposal is considered to provide adequate spatial separation to boundaries given the characteristics and layout of the site. In this regard, the proposal has been designed and sited appropriately to minimise the built form.

- *Equitable preservation of views and vistas to and/or from public/private places.*

Comment:

The proposed works will not result in the loss of views.

- *To encourage view sharing through complimentary siting of buildings, responsive design and well-positioned landscaping.*

Comment:

As above, the proposed works have been designed and sited so that there is no impact upon view sharing.

- *To ensure a reasonable level of privacy, amenity and solar access is provided within the development site and maintained to residential properties.*

Comment:

The proposed first floor windows are accessed by low use rooms when applying the planning principle of *Meriton v Sydney City Council [2004] NSWLEC 313* and do not provide any direct sight-lines into adjoining windows or private open space. Furthermore, the solar impacts of this aspect of the development are minimal and acceptable in terms of the impacts on habitable rooms of the adjoining properties and public open spaces. The proposal satisfies requirements of Clause C1.4 Solar Access of the Pittwater 21 DCP, as the main private open space areas of

adjoining properties receive a minimum of 3 hours of sunlight between 9am and 3pm on June 21st. Overall, the proposal will reasonably maintain neighbourhood amenity.

- *Substantial landscaping, a mature tree canopy and an attractive streetscape.*

Comment:

The proposed development does not involve the removal of any significant vegetation and will allow for substantive landscaping across the site.

- *Flexibility in the siting of buildings and access.*

Comment:

The development has been sited appropriately in accordance with the site constraints and the surrounding residential context, ensuring reasonable amenity can be maintained for the dwelling occupants and those of adjoining and surrounding properties. Access to the site will be enhanced under this proposal, through the construction of formalised off-street parking.

- *Vegetation is retained and enhanced to visually reduce the built form.*

Comment:

The proposal does not include the removal of any significant vegetation and will not result in an unreasonable built form within the locality.

- *To preserve and enhance the rural and bushland character of the locality.*

Comment:

The non-compliances are located above the existing built upon area and will not impact on the bushland character of the locality.

- *To ensure a landscaped buffer between commercial and residential zones is established.*

Comment:

Not applicable, as the site does not adjoin any commercial zones.

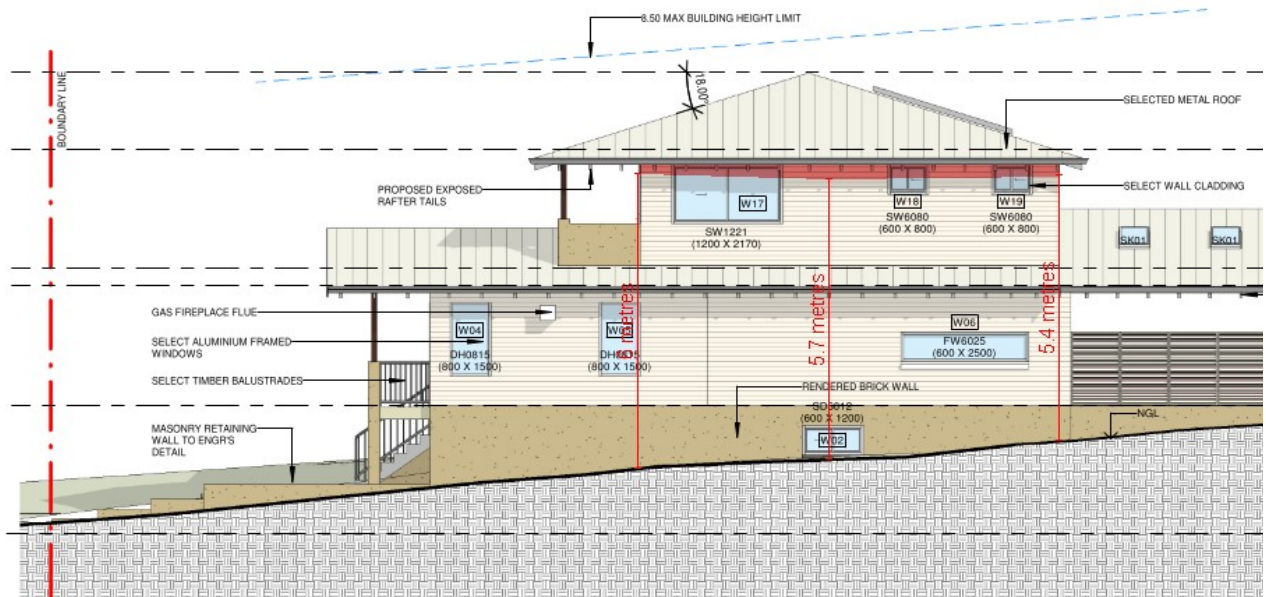
Having regard to the above assessment, it is concluded that the proposed development is consistent with the relevant objectives of PLEP 2014 / P21DCP and the objectives specified in s1.3 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979. Accordingly, this assessment finds that the proposal is supported, in this particular circumstance.

D5.7 Building envelope (Excluding Elanora Heights Village Centre)

Description of non-compliance

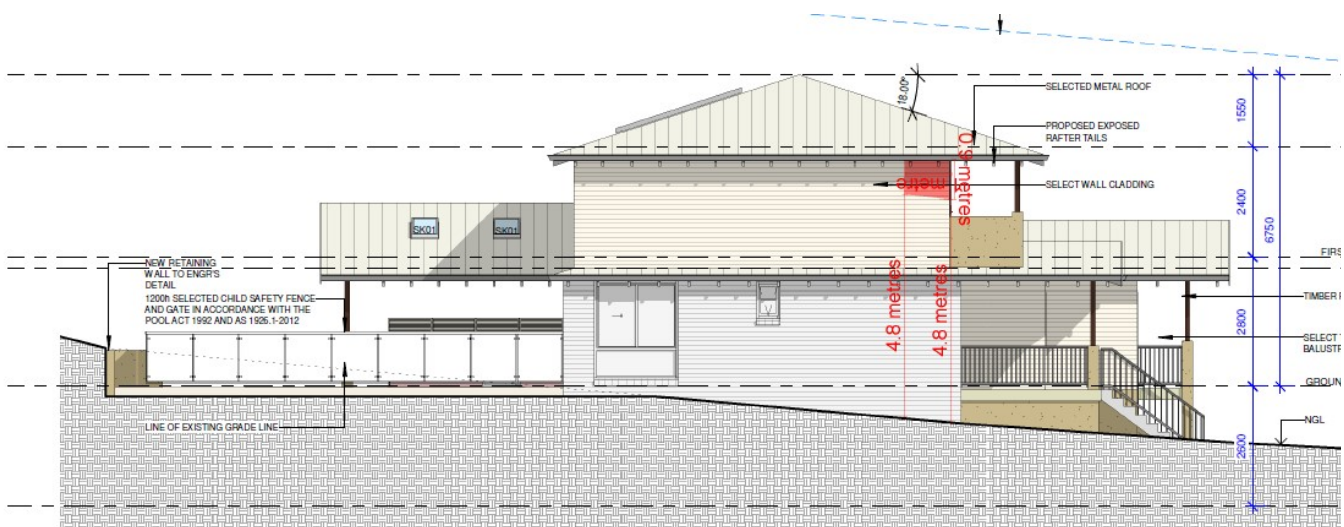
Clause D12.8 of the P21 DCP prescribes a 3.5 metres side building envelope projecting at 45 degrees from the side boundaries.

The proposed first floor addition encroaches the building envelope on both side boundaries, as displayed in red below.



NORTH ELEVATION

1 : 100



SOUTH ELEVATION

1 : 100

Figure 1. Envelope encroachment diagrams

Merit consideration

With regard to the consideration for a variation, the development is considered against the underlying Outcomes of the Control as follows:

- *To achieve the desired future character of the Locality.*

Comment:

Notwithstanding the encroachments to the building envelope, the proposal is deemed to achieve the desired future character of the Elanora locality.

- *To enhance the existing streetscapes and promote a building scale and density that is below the height of the trees of the natural environment.*

Comment:

The proposed addition will generally remain below the surrounding canopy trees that define the natural environment. The proposed dwelling provides a compliant building height, which is compatible with the surrounding built form. In addition, the works will be substantially set back from the street and reasonably screened by existing and proposed vegetation. In this regard, the proposal's design is of a building scale and density that is compatible with the surrounding natural environment.

- *To ensure new development responds to, reinforces and sensitively relates to spatial characteristics of the existing natural environment.*

Comment:

The proposed addition has adequately stepped in from the ground floor and is suitably designed to respond to the spatial characteristics of the subject site and the surrounding area. Additionally, the proposal involves minimal excavation due to being constructed over the existing footprint.

- *The bulk and scale of the built form is minimised.*

Comment:

The proposal incorporates various materials, fenestration and open balconies to provide visual breaks along both elevation. In addition, the proposed landscape design is considered to enhance the site's natural features, through minimising the visual impact of the built form, such that it is secondary to landscaping and vegetation. Overall, the proportions of the encroaching elements are not considered to be unreasonably scaled or bulky.

- *Equitable preservation of views and vistas to and/or from public/private places.*

Comment:

The proposed envelope breaches will not result in the loss of views.

- *To ensure a reasonable level of privacy, amenity and solar access is provided within the development site and maintained to residential properties.*

Comment:

The proposed development is adequately designed and orientated to maintain a reasonable level of privacy, amenity and solar access for the subject site and adjacent sites.

- *Vegetation is retained and enhanced to visually reduce the built form.*

Comment:

The proposal retains and enhances a satisfactory degree of vegetation as assessed elsewhere in this report.

Having regard to the above assessment, it is concluded that the proposed development is consistent with the relevant objectives of PLEP 2014 / P21DCP and the objectives specified in s1.3 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979. Accordingly, this assessment finds that the proposal is supported, in this particular circumstance.

D5.8 Landscaped Area - General (Excluding Elanora Heights Village Centre)

Description of non-compliance

The proposal does not comply with the numerical control for landscaped area (50%). The proposal provides landscaped area of 48.9% (341.7m²), however, P21DCP allows up to 6% of the total site area to be provided as impervious landscape treatments, providing these areas are for outdoor recreational purposes only and the outcomes of the control are achieved. Therefore, with variations the proposal exceeds the numerical requirement.

Merit consideration

With regard to the consideration for a variation, the development is considered against the underlying Outcomes of the Control as follows:

- *To achieve the desired future character of the Locality.*

Comment:

The proposal provides a landscape setting that is consistent with the desired future character of the locality.

- *The bulk and scale of the built form is minimised.*

Comment:

As discussed throughout this report the proposal has been appropriately designed to maintain built form compatible within the locality.

- *A reasonable level of amenity and solar access is provided and maintained.*

Comment:

The proposal will ensure a reasonable level of amenity and solar access is provided to both the occupants of the dwelling and the neighbouring properties.

- *Vegetation is retained and enhanced to visually reduce the built form.*

Comment:

The proposal will involve the removal of existing grassed areas for the construction of the new swimming pool. Further, imposed conditions will ensure significant vegetation is retained.

Overall, the proposal will provide adequate areas throughout the site for the establishment of landscaping that is of a size and scale that can visually reduce the built form.

- *Conservation of natural vegetation and biodiversity.*

Comment:

The proposal will maintain native vegetation and habitat for local wildlife.

- *Stormwater runoff is reduced, preventing soil erosion and siltation of natural drainage channels.*

Comment:

The proposal has been reviewed by Council's Development Engineer, having regard to provisions for stormwater management and has raised no objections to the proposed stormwater system, subject to conditions included in the recommendation of this report.

- *To preserve and enhance the rural and bushland character of the area.*

Comment:

The bushland character of the area will be maintained as no significant vegetation is required to be removed as a result of the proposed development.

- *Soft surface is maximised to provide for infiltration of water to the water table, minimise run-off and assist with stormwater management.*

Comment:

Sufficient permeable surfacing is provided on-site which will enable the infiltration of water to the water table, whilst minimising run-off and assisting with stormwater management.

Having regard to the above assessment, it is concluded that the proposed development is consistent with the relevant objectives of PLEP 2014 / P21DCP and the objectives specified in s1.3 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979. Accordingly, this assessment finds that the proposal is supported, 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 2022

The proposal is subject to the application of Northern Beaches Section 7.12 Contributions Plan 2022.

A monetary contribution of \$6,503 is required for the provision of new and augmented public

infrastructure. The contribution is calculated as 1% of the total development cost of \$650,302.

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

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 DA2022/1353 for Alterations and additions to a dwelling house including a swimming pool on land at Lot 43 DP 219787, 9 Allington Crescent, ELANORA HEIGHTS, subject to the conditions printed below:

DEVELOPMENT CONSENT OPERATIONAL CONDITIONS

1. Approved Plans and Supporting Documentation

The development must be carried out in compliance with the endorsed stamped plans and documentation listed below, except as amended by any other condition of consent:

a) Approved Plans

Architectural Plans - Endorsed with Council's stamp		
Drawing No.	Dated	Prepared By
DA03 - RevK: Site plan	30 October 2022	Delve Design

DA05 - RevK: Roof plan	30 October 2022	Delve Design
DA06 - RevK: Lower ground floor plan	30 October 2022	Delve Design
DA07 - RevK: Ground floor plan	30 October 2022	Delve Design
DA08 - RevK: First floor plan	30 October 2022	Delve Design
DA09 - RevK: East elevation	30 October 2022	Delve Design
DA10 - RevK: North elevation	30 October 2022	Delve Design
DA11 - RevK: West elevation	30 October 2022	Delve Design
DA12 - RevK: South elevation	30 October 2022	Delve Design
DA13 - RevK: Section AA	30 October 2022	Delve Design
DA15 - RevK: Pool plan	30 October 2022	Delve Design

Reports / Documentation – All recommendations and requirements contained within:		
Report No. / Page No. / Section No.	Dated	Prepared By
BASIX Certificate No. A460616_02	22 June 2022	Delve Design
Geotechnical report	27 October 2022	Green Geotechnics Pty Limited

b) Any plans and / or documentation submitted to satisfy the Conditions of this consent.

c) The development is to be undertaken generally in accordance with the following:

Waste Management Plan		
Drawing No/Title.	Dated	Prepared By
Waste Management Report	27 May 2022	Delve Design

In the event of any inconsistency between conditions of this consent and the drawings/documents referred to above, the conditions of this consent will prevail.

Reason: To ensure the work is carried out in accordance with the determination of Council and approved plans.

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 or Service	EDMS Reference	Dated
Ausgrid	Ausgrid Referral Response	12 September 2022

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

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:
 - (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:

- 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) 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.
- (c) At all times after the submission 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.
- (d) 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.
- (e) 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.
- (f) Prior to the release of the Construction Certificate, payment of the Long Service Levy is required. This payment can be made at Council or to the Long Services Payments Corporation. Payment is not required where the value of the works is less than \$25,000. The Long Service Levy is calculated on 0.35% 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.
- (g) The applicant shall bear the cost of all works associated with the development that occurs on Council's property.
- (h) 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.
- (i) Demolition materials and builders' wastes are to be removed to approved waste/recycling centres.
- (j) No trees or native shrubs or understorey vegetation on public property (footpaths,

roads, reserves, etc.) or on the land to be developed shall be removed or damaged during construction unless specifically approved in this consent including for the erection of any fences, hoardings or other temporary works.

(k) 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.

(l) 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.

(m) The works must comply with the relevant Ausgrid Network Standards and SafeWork NSW Codes of Practice.

(n) 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
 - (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.

FEES / CHARGES / CONTRIBUTIONS

5. Policy Controls

Northern Beaches Section 7.12 Contributions Plan 2022

A monetary contribution of \$6,503.02 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 \$650,301.85.

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.

6. Security Bond

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

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

7. **Stormwater Disposal**

The applicant is to demonstrate how stormwater from the new development within this consent is disposed of to an existing approved system or in accordance with Northern Beaches Council's Water Management for Development Policy. Details by an appropriately qualified and practicing Civil Engineer demonstrating that the existing approved stormwater system can accommodate the additional flows, or compliance with the Council's specification are to be submitted to the Principal Certifier for approval prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

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

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

The recommendations of the risk assessment required to manage the hazards as identified in the Geotechnical Report prepared by Green Geotechnics dated 27/10/2022 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 Principal Certifier prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

Reason: To ensure geotechnical risk is mitigated appropriately.

9. **Structural Adequacy and Excavation Work**

Excavation work is to ensure the stability of the soil material of adjoining properties, the protection of adjoining buildings, services, structures and / or public infrastructure from damage using underpinning, shoring, retaining walls and support where required. All retaining walls are to be structurally adequate for the intended purpose, designed and certified by a Structural Engineer.

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

Reason: To provide public and private safety.

10. **Vehicle Crossings Application**

The Applicant is to submit an application for driveway levels with Council in accordance with Section 138 of the Roads Act 1993. The fee associated with the assessment and approval of the application is to be in accordance with Council's Fee and Charges.

An approval is to be submitted to the Principal Certifier prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

Reason: To facilitate suitable vehicular access to private property.

11. **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 Principal Certifier prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

Reason: To ensure the development is constructed in accordance with appropriate standards.

12. External Finishes to Roof

The external finish to the roof shall have a medium to dark range (BCA classification M and D) in order to minimise solar reflections to neighbouring properties. Any roof with a metallic steel finish is not permitted.

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.

13. 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 Principal 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 TO BE COMPLIED WITH DURING DEMOLITION AND BUILDING WORK

14. 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.

15. Removing, Handling and Disposing of Asbestos

Any asbestos material arising from the demolition process shall be removed and disposed of in accordance with the following requirements:

- Work Health and Safety Act;
- Work Health and Safety Regulation;
- Code of Practice for the Safe Removal of Asbestos [NOHSC:2002 (1998)];
- Guide to the Control of Asbestos Hazards in Buildings and Structures [NOHSC: 3002 (1998);
- Clause 42 of the Protection of the Environment Operations (Waste) Regulation 2005; and
- The demolition must be undertaken in accordance with Australian Standard AS2601 – The Demolition of Structures.

Reason: For the protection of the environment and human health.

16. 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.

17. Installation and Maintenance of Sediment Control

Prior to any works commencing on site, including demolition, sediment and erosion controls must be installed in accordance with Landcom's 'Managing Urban Stormwater: Soils and Construction' (2004). Techniques used for erosion and sediment control on site are to be adequately maintained and monitored at all times, particularly after periods of rain, and shall remain in proper operation until all development activities have been completed and the site is sufficiently stabilised with vegetation.

Reason: To protect the surrounding environment from the effects of sedimentation and erosion from the site.

18. 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.

19. Vehicle Crossings

The Applicant is to construct one vehicle crossing 3.5 metres wide in accordance with Northern Beaches Council Drawing Normal Low and the driveway levels application approval. An Authorised Vehicle Crossing Contractor shall construct the vehicle crossing and associated works within the road reserve in plain concrete. All redundant laybacks and crossings are to be restored to footpath/grass. Prior to the pouring of concrete, the vehicle crossing is to be inspected by Council and a satisfactory "Vehicle Crossing Inspection" card issued.

A copy of the vehicle crossing inspection form is to be submitted to the Principal Certifier.

Reason: To facilitate suitable vehicular access to private property.

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

20. Stormwater Disposal

The stormwater drainage works shall be certified as compliant with all relevant Australian Standards and Codes by a suitably qualified person. Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Principal Certifier prior to the issue of an Occupation Certificate.

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

21. Waste Management Confirmation

Prior to the issue of an Occupation Certificate, evidence / documentation must be submitted to the Principal Certifier that all waste material from the development site arising from demolition

and/or construction works has been appropriately recycled, reused or disposed of generally in accordance with the approved Waste Management Plan.

Reason: To ensure demolition and construction waste is recycled or reused and to limit landfill.

22. **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.

23. **Swimming Pool Requirements**

The Swimming Pool shall not be filled with water nor be permitted to retain water until:

(a) All required safety fencing has been erected in accordance with and all other requirements have been fulfilled with regard to the 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
- (vi) Australian Standard AS1926.2 Part 2: Location of safety barriers for swimming pools

(b) A certificate of compliance prepared by the manufacturer of the pool safety fencing, shall be submitted to the Principal Certifier, certifying compliance with Australian Standard 1926.

(c) Filter backwash waters shall be discharged to the Sydney Water sewer mains in accordance with Sydney Water's requirements. Where Sydney Water mains are not available in rural areas, the backwash waters shall be managed onsite 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. Appropriate instructions of artificial resuscitation methods.

(d) A warning sign stating '**YOUNG CHILDREN SHOULD BE SUPERVISED WHEN USING THIS POOL**' has been installed.

(e) Signage showing resuscitation methods and emergency contact

(f) All signage shall be located in a prominent position within the pool area.

(g) Swimming pools and spas must be registered with the *Division of Local Government*.

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

Reason: To protect human life.

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

24. **Swimming Pool/Spa Motor Noise**

The swimming pool / spa motor shall not produce noise levels that exceed 5dBA above the background noise when measured from the nearest property boundary.

Reason: To ensure that the development does not impact on the acoustic privacy of surrounding residential properties.

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

Signed



Kye Miles, Planner

The application is determined on 08/11/2022, under the delegated authority of:



Adam Richardson, Manager Development Assessments