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Report **Tree Impact Assessment Report**

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1.0 Executive Summary

This report has been prepared for Sandro Ianni c/o: Fragar Planning, Olivia J. Harris; the purpose of the report is to describe findings of an investigation relating to the health and condition of trees for DA at 7 Coolena Road, Elanora Heights, NSW 2101.

Only large trees have been examined during the course of this investigation. All individual trees examined are identified in the body of the report and tagged with a white tag and numbered as per this report. Smaller trees and shrubs have not been included but these may be considered later if required.

Site orientation occurred on the 3rd May 2016. On this occasion a Basic Assessment occurred as per International Society of Arboricutural (ISA) Tree Risk Assessment Qualifications (TRAQ). This is a visible assessment from the ground using a steel probe and a rubber mallet (used to be call VTA) Visible Tree Assessment.

Trees are long lived woody perennial plant than can grow greater than 7 meters in height with one or relatively few main stems with a Diameter at Breast Height (DBH) greater than 150mm approx.

Documents sighted:

- 3a. Survey Ianni Investments Pty GCooleena 151022 Drawing 2
- At the time of this report no development plan was sighted

Following assessments of evidence gained during the project it is recommended that that the development be approved under the following conditions:

- That trees 1 to 6 trees 10 to 15 be retained and TPZ be installed during construction
- That trees 7, 8 and 9 can be considered for removal
- That a landscape plan be developed
- That the tree Protection Schedule be adopted
- That a wash area situated away from tree 1 and 2 during construction

Angophora Consulting Arborist can provide a site arborist for this project.

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Visual Tree Assessments (VTA) was done from the ground. Not all tree defects may be visible from the ground. This VTA did not include diagnostic testing of the trees leaves or trunks. No testing was done of any of the trees root systems.

This is an arboriculture, not an ecological report. If remnant endemic vegetation exists, a "Threatened Species Seven Part Test" by a qualified ecologist may be required.

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- The inspection is limited to visual examination of accessible components unless otherwise stated in the "Methodology" section of this report.
- The trees were assessed using the Visual Tree Assessment (VTA) method. The inspection is limited to a visual examination from the ground without tree dissection or soil excavation. Consent will be sought with the client to carry out any tree dissection or soil excavation if required. All measurements are approximate only. Any opinions or recommendations are the opinions of the assessing Arborist.



5.0 Introduction

This report was prepared by Angophora Consulting Arborist, Frederick Janes, Senior Consulting Arborist, for Sandro Ianni c/o: Fragar Planning, Olivia J. Harris; the purpose of the report is to describe findings of an investigation relating to the health and condition of trees for DA at 7 Coolena Road, Elanora Heights, NSW 2101.

5.1 The Aims of this report are to:

- Evaluate the viability of the Trees
- Recommend either to remove the Trees any remedial treatment
- Recommend Tree Protection Zones when appropriate

6.0 Report

6.1 Methodology

On the 3rd May 2016 site inspections was conducted. On this occasion a Basic Assessment (formerly VTA; Visible Tree Assessment) occurred. It is a visible assessment from the ground using a steel probe and a rubber mallet as per International Society of Arboricutural (ISA) Tree Risk Assessment Qualifications (TRAQ). The inspection is limited to a visual examination from the ground without tree dissection or soil excavation for structural defects, health of the tree, the foliage condition, any insect damage visible from the outside, a rubber mallet was also used to sound the trunks detecting for any hollows that may be heard.

Consent will be sought with the client to carry out any tree dissection or soil excavation if required. All measurements are approximate only. Any opinions or recommendations represent the opinions of the assessing Arborist only.

There was no instrument used to test the soundness of the trunk.

6.2 Location

The trees are located at 7 Coolena Road, Elanora Heights, NSW 2101. UBD Sydney and the Blue Mountains Street Directory (2015) Map 138, B, 13



<u>Figure 1</u> Approximate location of trees (tree Location Map page 23)



6.3 Photos



Photo 1 Trees 2 and 1



Photo 2 Trees 3 Junction

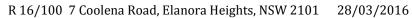






Photo 3 Trees 4 Junction with sap ooze



Photo 4 Tree 8 junctions





Photo 5 Tree 8





Photo 6 Tree 8 impacting upon existing house



Photo 7 Tree 9





Photo 8 Tree 10

6.4 Tree Protection Zone (TPZ)

Tree Protection Zone Generally the minimum distance from the centre of the tree trunk where protective fencing or barriers are to be installed to create an exclusion zone. The TPZ surrounding a tree aids the tree's ability to cope with disturbances associated with construction works. Tree protection involves minimising root damage that is caused by activities such as construction. Tree protection also reduces the chance of a tree's decline in health or death and the possibly damage to structural stability of the tree from root damage. To limit damage to the tree, protection within a specified distance of the tree's trunk must be maintained throughout the proposed development works. No excavation, stockpiling of building materials or the use of machinery is permitted within the Tree Protection Zone (TPZ). Using the Australian standard Protection of Trees on Development sites AS 4970-2009 (Incorporating Amendment no 1) TPZ = DBH x 12 a TPZ is also based on the age of the tree, young, middle aged or mature, and the tree's vigour.

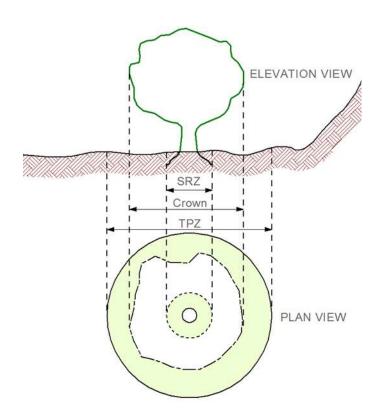
Structure Root Zone (SRZ) Refers to a radial offset measured from the edge of the trunk. This zone is often the location of the tree's structural support roots. Excavation within this area may seriously destabilize the tree. Fully elevated construction within this area is possible with specific root zone assessment, only when prescribed by a suitably qualified consulting arborist. As per Australian standard Protection of Trees on Development sites AS 4970-2009

Critical Root Zone (CRZ): Refers to a radial offset measured from the edge of the trunk. This zone is often the location of the tree's structural support roots. Excavation within this area may seriously destabilize the tree. Fully elevated construction within this area is possible

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with specific root zone assessment. CRZ distances are always rounded up to the closest 0.5 metre. The minimum CRZ given will never be less than 1.5 metres for a tree with a stem diameter less than 200mm. Trees with a DBH of greater than 300mm, the CRZ measurement could be achieved on one side of the TPZ by 10%, only when prescribed by a suitably qualified consulting arborist. As per Australian standard Protection of Trees on Development sites AS 4970-2009

Tree No	T.P.Z	S.R.Z	C.R.Z
	Rounded up	Rounded up	
1	4.49	2.19	3.14
2	7.26	2.68	5.08
3	6.42	2.54	4.49
4	5.7	2.42	3.99
5	7.96	2.78	5.57
6	3.84	2.05	2.69
7	3.53	1.98	2.47
8	12	3.3	8.40
9	4.32	2.15	3.02
10	3.6	1.99	2.52
11	6	2.47	4.20
12	3.6	1.99	2.52
13	3.84	2.05	2.69
14	4.8	2.25	3.36
15	4.32	2.15	3.02



6.5 Development impact upon trees

The site is a Residential property and it is proposed to construct a new subdivision and residential Development, this development will directly impact upon 3 of the tree assessed.

At the time of this report no development plan was sighted

7.0 Site Arborist

- 7.1 The Arborist who has prepared the Tree Management Plan becomes the Site Arborist. The site Arborist shall have a minimum Diploma level qualification in Arboriculture (AQF level 5) and a minimum of five (5) years industry experience in the field of Arboriculture. It would also be desirable to be a current member of a respected association of Arboriculture such as Arboriculture Australia and/or International society of Arborist. (ISA)
- 7.2 The site Arborist will monitor the trees, which are being retained, supervise tree protection measures and advise Council and the applicant in a timely manner if problems arise.
- 7.3 The site Arborist will carry out Site inspections as required and record results:
- 7.4 Inspections shall be conducted by the site Arborist as per the tree protection schedule

8.0 Establishing Tree Protection Zones

- 8.1 The Tree Protection Zone (TPZ) is a radial distance measured from the centre of the trunk of a retained or protected tree. The importance TPZ is to protect the tree from damage during construction this includes their trunk, foliage, roots branches.
- 8.2 The TPZ has been calculated for each tree to be retained on site specified in Australian standard Protection of Trees on Development sites AS 4970-2009 (Incorporating Amendment no 1)

9.0 Tree Protection Fencing

- 9.1 A protective fence shall be installed prior to the commencement of any work on-site (including demolition, earthworks or land clearing and installation of site sheds) and shall be maintained in good condition for the whole period of construction.
- 9..2 The fence shall be built of temporary wire panels 1.8 meters high, supported by steel stakes or concrete blocks and secured together with bolted brackets to restrict sideways movement the fence shall be covered in shade cloth. Where a number of TPZ run together a single continuous fence may be installed.

Tree Protection fences shall not be moved or relocated without prior approval of the site Arborist. (This is considered as a breach of the consent and may attract a large fine from council)

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10.0 Tree Protection Signage

10.1. Tree Protection Fences are to be display clear signs indicating the reasons for the fence at 20 meter intervals to prevent unauthorised movement of plant, machinery, depositing of soil, storage of materials or site works to the Tree Protection Zone

10.2 The signage shall measure 1200mm x 600mm and be worded as follows

TREE PROTECTION ZONE

Trees within this Tree Protection Zone are monitored by Frederick Janes CONSUTING ARBORIST as a condition of council consent

To prevent disturbance of soil or damage to tree roots **NO ACCESS** STORAGE OF MATERIALS OR SITE WORKS SHALL BE PERMITTED WITHIN THIS AREA

No work shall be undertaken within this area without prior approval of the Project
Manager under the supervision of the Site Arborist.

For more information on the importance of tree Protection or any matter regarding Arboriculture please contact the site Arborist on 0418 966 488

10.0 Recommendations

Following assessments of evidence gained during the project it is recommended that that the development be approved under the following conditions:

- That trees 1 to 6 trees 10 to 15 be retained and TPZ be installed during construction
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12.0 Curriculum Vitae

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Company Angophora Consulting Arborist

Position in Company Consulting Arborist

Qualifications Diploma in Horticulture (Arboriculture) Level 5

(December 2006 Cert no RTF 50203) Bachelor of Adult Education (May 2000) Certificate IV Training and Assessing (2014)

Senior First aid Certificate (2014)

OH&S Induction Training (Green card) Feb 2006

Chemical Application AQF3 (2014)

NSW Drivers License Light Rigid (LR) Motor cycle (R)

Elevated Work Platform (October 2011)

Tree Risk Assessment Qualifications (ISA TRAQ) June 2014

Diploma in Arboriculture (2015)

Memberships Arboriculture Australia

International Society of Arboriculture

Awards National Medal (1998)

First clasp (2009)

Areas of expertise Trees on development sites

Trees appraisals and risk assessments

Tree reports and surveys
Tree maintenance schedules

Powerlines vegetation bushfire surveys Planting and pruning education programs Community education and project mediation

Experience

- Fifteen years extensive experience in the Arboriculture industry, firstly, as the principal of an Arborist company and, more recently, as a Consulting Arborist.
- Preparation of professional Arborist reports and conducting works for a range of public sector agencies, including the University of Western Sydney, Blue Mountains City Council, Nepean Hospital, Integral Energy and the Department of Defence Housing and a number of construction companies.
- Provided Arborist advice and services to private residents throughout NSW.
- In 2009 was invited to Victoria by Sp Austnet Aust and commissioned to assess
 damaged trees along power lines in the bush-fire damaged areas of Kinglake,
 Kinglake West, Flowerdale, Marysville and Beechwood. The work included an Audit
 of all trees within reach of the powerlines and conducting hazard ratings for all these
 trees.
- Mid 2009 was commissioned by Sp Austnet to conduct secondary assessments of the fire damaged areas of Kinglake, Kinglake West, Flowerdale, Marysville and Beechwood.



- Conducted an audit and tree assessment of Woods Point area where a bush fire had damaged many trees in 2006.
- In 2010 commissioned by Integral Energy to assess pruning standards across Integral Energy distribution network designing and implementing a Pruning Audit form based on the Australian Standard AS 4373 Pruning of amenity trees (2007) to be used by Integral Energy and their stakeholders to assess pruning standards.
- Extensive experience in the use of Picus Sonic Tomograph on trees that after a visible tree assessment indicated that there may be structural defects affecting the stability of the tree. Produced reports providing proof of the structural integrity of the tree for the client, councils and other interest parties.
- Extensive experience with the Land and Environment court of NSW
- 2011 commissioned by Integral Energy as their Vegetation Environments Specialist conducting independent assessments of Environment issues such as Review of Environmental factors and Conservation Risk Assessments including identifying significant flora species, aboriginal heritage items and historic heritage items.
- Developed a 2 days course for their Tree Management Officers in identifying tree structural defects.
- In December 2011 was commissioned to assess trees as part of the continuing investigation by the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) and Holroyd City Council into the cause of the Girraween dieback incident that has affected over 200 residents and Business this project was completed in November 2012.
- Finalist in the 2013 Blue Mountains Business awards
- 2014 Commissioned by many Public and High Schools from Emu Plains to Bathurst and Oberon to carry out trees hazards and risk Audit of their campuses
- Finalist in the 2014 Blue Mountains Business awards in Business Ethics and Excellence in Innovation
- Finalist in the 2015 Blue Mountains Business awards in Business Ethics



13.0 Terms and Abbreviations and Definitions

Abbreviation Meaning

APTA - Arboriculturists Preliminary Tree Assessment

AV - Amenity Value

CPZ - Canopy Protection Zone

DBH - Diameter at Breast Height

EP&AA - Act Environmental Planning & Assessment Act (1979)

EV - Environmental Value

g/l - ground level

HV - Heritage Value

LSR - Landscape Significance Rating

RPZ - Root Protection Zone

RV - Retention Value

SRZ - Structural Root Zone

S.U.L.E. Safe useful life expectancy

TMG - Tree Management Guidelines

TBMP - Tree and Bushland Management Provision

TMP - Tree Protection Measures

TPA - Tree Protection Plan

TPZ - Tree Protection Zone

TRV - Tree Retention Zone

UFTM - Urban Forest Technical Meeting

VTA - Visual Tree Assessment

Definitions

Aerial inspection: Where the subject tree is climbed by a professional tree worker or

Arborist specifically to inspect and assess the upper stem and crown of

the tree for signs or symptoms of defects, disease, etc.

Co-dominant: Refers to stems or branches equal in size and relative importance.

Compression wood: Type of reaction wood produced by conifers on the underside of

branches and leaning trunks.

Condition: Refers to the tree's form and growth habit, as modified by its

environment (aspect, suppression by other trees, soils) and the state of the scaffold (i.e. trunk and major branches), including structural defects such as cavities, crooked trunks or weak trunk/branch junctions. These are not directly connected with health and it is

possible for a tree to be healthy but in poor condition.

Critical Root Zone

(CRZ): Refers to a radial offset measured from the edge of the trunk. This zone

is often the location of the tree's structural support roots. Excavation within this area may seriously destabilize the tree. Fully elevated

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construction within this area is possible with specific root zone assessment. CRZ distances are always rounded up to the closest 0.5 metre. The minimum CRZ given will never be less than 1.5 metres for a tree with a stem diameter less than 200mm. Trees with a DBH of greater than 300mm, the CRZ measurement could be achieved on one side of the TPZ by 10%, only when prescribed by a suitably qualified consulting arborist. As per Australian standard Protection of Trees on Development sites AS 4970-2009 (Incorporating Amendment no 1`)

Dead wood: Refers to any whole limb that no longer contains living tissues (e.g.

live leaves and/or bark). Some dead wood is common in a number of

tree species.

Decay: Process of degradation of woody tissues by fungi or bacteria through

decomposition of cellulose and lignin. There are numerous types of decay that affect different types of tissues, spread at different rates and have different affect on both the tree's health and structural integrity.

Diameter at Breast Height

(**DBH**): Refers to the tree trunk diameter at breast height (1.4 metres above

ground level)

Dieback: Death of growth tips/shoots and partial limbs, generally from tip to

base. Die back is often an indicator of stress and tree health.

Epicormic Shoots: Which arise from adventitious or latent buds. These shoots often have

a weak point of attachment. They are often a response to stress in the tree. Epicormic growth/shoots are generally a survival mechanism, often indicating the presence of a current or past stress event such as

fire, pruning, drought, etc.

Hazard: Refers to anything with the potential to harm health, life or property.

Health: Refers to the tree's vigour as exhibited by the crown density, leaf

colour, presence of epicormic shoots, ability to withstand disease

invasion, and the degree of dieback.

Included bark: Refers the pattern of development at branch or stem junctions where

bark is turned inward rather than pushed out. This fault is located at the point where the stems/branches meet. This is normally a genetic fault and potentially a weak point of attachment as the bark obstructs

healthy tissue from joining together to strengthen the joint.

Retention Value: Retention value relates to the combination of the tree condition factors

(Form, Health & Structure), and also conveys an amenity value.



Amenity relates to the trees biological, functional and aesthetic characteristics within an urban environment. (Hitchmough, 1994)

Scaffold branch/root: A primary structural branch of the crown or primary structural root of

the tree.

Suppressed: In crown class, trees which have been overtopped and whose crown

development is restricted from above.

Tension wood: Type of reaction wood produced by broad-leaved tree species which

forms on the upper side of branches, stems and leaning trunks.

Topping or heading: Refers to a non-acceptable pruning practice that result in the removal

of terminal growth leaving a cut stub end. Topping causes serious

damage to the tree.

Tree Protection Zone

(TPZ):

Generally the minimum distance from the centre of the tree trunk where protective fencing or barriers are to be installed to create an exclusion zone. The TPZ surrounding a tree aids the tree's ability to cope with disturbances associated with construction works. Tree protection involves minimising root damage that is caused by activities such as construction. Tree protection also reduces the chance of a tree's decline in health or death and the possibly damage to structural stability of the tree from root damage. To limit damage to the tree, protection within a specified distance of the tree's trunk must be maintained throughout the proposed development works. No excavation, stockpiling of building materials or the use of machinery is permitted within the Tree Protection Zone (TPZ). Using the Australian standard Protection of Trees on Development sites AS 4970-2009 (Incorporating Amendment no 1') TPZ = DBH x 12 a TPZ is also based on the age of the tree, young, middle aged or mature, and the tree's vigour.

Visual Tree Assessment

(VTA):

A procedure of defect analysis developed by Mattheck and Breloer (1994) that uses the growth response and form of trees to detect defects.



The following relates to terms or abbreviations that have been used in this report and provides the reader with a detailed explanation of those terms.

TYPE:

Indigenous (IND) Australian Native (AN) Exotic (E) Environmental Weed

(EW)

AGE:

Immature (IM): Juvenile tree
Semi-mature (SM): Tree still growing

Mature (M): Specimen has reached expected size in current situation.

Over-mature/

Senescent (OM): Tree is over mature and in decline.

Dead (D): Tree is dead

FORM:

Good (G): Canopy full and symmetrical.

Fair (F): Minor asymmetry, or suppression. Considered typical for species in

situation.

Poor (P): Canopy suppressed, major asymmetry. Stump re-growth.

HEALTH:

Good (G): Crown full, with good density. Foliage entire with good colour,

minimal or no pathogen damage. Good growth indicators, e.g.

extension growth. No or minimal canopy dieback. Good wound-wood

development.

Fair (F): Tree is exhibiting one or more of the following symptoms; Tree has

<30% dead wood, or can have minor canopy dieback; Foliage

generally with good colour, some discolouration may be present, minor pathogen damage present. Typical growth indicators, e, g. extension growth, leaf size, canopy density for species in location may be

slightly abnormal.

Poor (P): Tree has >30% dead wood. Canopy die-back present. Discoloured or

distorted leaves, and/or excessive Epicormic growth. Pathogen is present and/or stress symptoms that could lead to or are leading to

decline of tree.

Dead (D): Tree is dead.

STRUCTURE:

Good (G): Good branch attachment and/or no minor structural defects. Trunk and

scaffold branches sound or only minor damage. Good trunk and scaffold branch taper. No branch over extension. No damage to

structural roots and/or good buttressing present.

No obvious root pests or diseases.

Fair (F): Some minor structural defects and/or minor damage to trunk. Bark

missing. Cavities could be present. Minimal or no damage to structural

roots. Typical structure for species.

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Poor (P): Major structural defects and/or trunk damaged and/or missing bark.

Large cavities, and/or girdling or damaged roots that are problematic.

Very Poor/

Hazardous (VP): Tree poses immediate hazard potential that should be rectified as soon

as possible.

GENERAL CONDITION:

Describes a tree or group of trees in a broad term of convenient précis that considers all of these Tree Descriptors as mentioned in Tree Assessment Table (Appendix 4).



14.0 Safe Useful Life Expectancy (S.U.L.E) RATING

Safe Useful Life Expectancy rating (S.U.L.E) means that in a planning context the length of time a tree could be maintained as a useful amenity and not a liability. S.U.L.E is contingent on a number of obvious management assumptions and the fundamental principles of public safety and usefulness in the landscape. Trees are a renewable resource.

The FIVE ratings and their sub-groups are as follows:

- 1. LONG S.U.L.E tree appeared retainable at the time of assessment for more than 40 years with an acceptable degree of risk, assuming reasonable maintenance. Retention of these trees is highly desirable:
- A. Structurally sound trees located in positions that can accommodate future growth
- B. Trees which could be made suitable for long term retention by remedial care
- C. Trees of special significance for Historical commemorative or rarity reasons that would warrant extraordinary efforts to secure their long term retention which would warrant extraordinary efforts to secure their long term retention
- 2. MEDIUM S.U.L.E Trees that appeared to be retainable at the time of assessment for 15 to 40 years with an acceptable degree of risk, assuming reasonable maintenance. Retention of these trees is generally desirable:
- A. Trees which could be may only live between 15 and 40 more years
- B. Trees that may live for more than 40 years but would need to be removed for safety or nuisance reasons.
- C. Trees that may live for more than 40 years but should be removed to prevent interference with more suitable individuals or to provide space for new plantings.
- D. Trees that should be made suitable for retention in the medium term by remedial care.
- 3. SHORT S.U.L.E tree appeared to be retainable at the time of assessment for 5 to 15 years with an acceptable degree of risk, assuming reasonable maintenance:
- A. Trees that may only live for 5 to 15 more years.
- B. Trees that may live for more than 15 years but would need to be removed for safety or nuisance reasons.
- C. Trees that may live for more than 15 years but should be removed to prevent interference with more suitable individuals or to provide space for new plantings.
- D. Trees that require substantial remedial care and are only suitable for retention in the short term
- 4. REMOVE trees that should be removed in the next 5 years:
- A. Dead, dying, suppressed or declining trees through disease or inhospitable conditions or may be regarded or classified as an environmental weed species.
- B. Dangerous trees through instability or recent loss of adjacent trees
- C. Dangerous trees because of structural defects including cavities, decay, included bark, wounds or poor form.
- D. Damaged trees that are clearly not safe to retain.
- E. Trees that may live for more than 5 years but should be removed to prevent interference with more suitable individuals or to provide space for new plantings.
- F. Trees that may cause damage to existing structures within 5 years.
- G. Tress that will become dangerous after removal of other trees for reasons given in 1A-

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- 5. SMALL, YOUNG OR REGULARLY CLIPPED Trees that can be reliably transplanted or replaced
- A. Small trees less than 5 meters in height
- B. Young trees less than 15 years old but over 5 meters in height
- C. Trees that have been regularly pruned to artificially control growth



15.0 Attachments 15. 1 Attachment 1 Site Plan







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15.2 Attachment 2 Tree Assessment Table,

Details of trees assessed

TYPE = Tree Species Type (IND – Indigenous; EX – Exotic; PN – Planted Native, NL_ Non Local Native).

AGE= Trees estimated age (OM- Over-mature; M- Mature; SM-Semi-mature; IM-Immature; D- Dead).

H = estimated tree height in metres;

C =estimated tree canopy spread in metres $N-S \times E-W$;

DBH = trunk diameter measured in centimetres at 1.4m above ground (unless otherwise stated);

H = trees overall health;

S = trees overall structural condition;

GC = trees general condition overall;



Tree No	Species	Type	Age	DBH in	Height in	Canopy in	Н	S	GC	Comments	S.U.L.E
190				mm	Meters	Meters					
1	Angophora Costata									On council nature strip	
	Smooth bark apple	Pn	M	374	22	6	Fair	Fair	Fair	Poor pruning under borer attack	1B
2	Angophora Costata									On council nature strip	
	Smooth bark apple	Ind	M	605	23	12	Good	Good	Good		1A
3	Liquidambar									On council nature strip	
	styraciflua, Liquid	Ex	M	535	17	10	Good	Fair	Fair	Poor co dominant junction	1B
	amber										
4	Angophora Costata									On council nature strip	
	Smooth bark apple	Ind	M	475	16	7	Good	Fair	Fair	co dominant junction, under borer	1B
										attack	
5	Angophora Costata		3.6	660	22	1.0	G 1	G 1	G 1	On council nature strip	1.4
	Smooth bark apple	Ind	M	663	23	16	Good	Good	Good		1A
6	Eucalyptus saligna	D.,	CM	220	1.0	0	C 1	C 1	C 1	On Neighbours property	1.4
7	Sydney Blue Gum	Pn	SM	320	16	9	Good	Good	Good		1A
/	Angophora Costata Smooth bark apple	Ind	SM	294	16	7	Good	Good	Good		1A
8	Eucalyptus nicholii,	IIIG	SIVI	294	10	/	Good	Good	Good	Old multi trunk tree	1A
0	Narrow-Leaved Black	Pn	M	1500	16	15	Good	Fair	Fair	Old main trank tree	2B
	Peppermint	FII	1V1	1300	10	13	Good	1 all	1'all		2.13
9	Unknown										
	Chkhown		M	360	16	8	Good	Good	Good		1A
10	Eucalyptus robusta,		111	200	10			0004	3004	On Neighbours property	111
10	swamp mahogany	Ind	SM	300	16	9	Good	Good	Good	on reignoodis property	1A
11	Eucalyptus spp									Unsure of property owner	
		Ind	M	500	16	9	Good	Fair	Fair	Minor defect in trunk	1B
12	Eucalyptus spp									Unsure of property owner	
	11	Ind	SM	300	15	7	Good	Good	Good		1A
13	Angophora Costata									Unsure of property owner	
	Smooth bark apple	Ind	M	320	15	7	Good	Good	Good		1A

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Tree No	Species	Type	Age	DBH in mm	Height in	Canopy in	Н	S	GC	Comments	S.U.L.E
110				111111	Meters	Meters					
14	Eucalyptus spp									Unsure of property owner	
		Ind	M	400	16	8	Good	Good	Good	·	1A
15	Eucalyptus spp									Unsure of property owner	
		Ind	M	360	15	7	Good	Good	Good		1A

Trees 11 to 15 were observed form road as not sure who own the front/back property and did not wish to trespass without authority from owners (see tree location map) and as such dimensions are approximately only



15.3 Attachment 3 Quantifying Heritage Ecological and Amenity value

<u>Age</u> = Trees estimated age (OM- Over-mature; M- Mature; SM-Semi-mature; IM-Immature; D- Dead).

Heritage tree: Tree listed on the NSW Heritage registered

<u>Significant tree or Tree scape:</u> Tree/s listed on council's significant tree register or a tree of such age and presence designated by the consulting arborist AQF level 5 worth extra precautions to retain.

Ecological A tree that is a remnant tree of the area I.E. *Eucalyptus saligna* Sydney Blue Gum Using the Matrix below to give an Amenity Value

Age	OM	M	SM	Exotic	Dead
Heritage tree	Medium	High	Medium	Low	Very low
Significant tree	Medium	High	Medium	Low	Very low
Ecological	Medium	High	Medium	Low	Very low

Obstructions

Power lines = Pl

Fences = F

Buildings = B

Mitigation Options

Retain reassess after construction
Install T.P.Z
Fencing
Retain
/Reassess 3
months after construction
Remove
Install T.P.Z
Fencing/Trunk

protection

Tree	Tree	Heritage,	Mitigation	Mitigation	Residual	Obstructions
No	Age	ecological, Amenity Value	Options	option 2	risk	
1	M	Eco Low	Retain/Reassess 3 months after construction	Install T.P.Z Fencing/Trunk protection		
2	M	Eco medium	Retain / Reassess 3 months after construction	Install T.P.Z Fencing/Trunk protection		
3	M	Eco Low	Retain / Reassess 3 months after construction	Install T.P.Z Fencing/Trunk protection		
4	M	Eco medium	Retain / Reassess 3 months after construction	Install T.P.Z Fencing/Trunk protection		
5	M	Eco medium	Retain / Reassess 3 months after construction	Install T.P.Z Fencing/Trunk protection		
6	SM	Eco Low	Retain / Reassess 3 months after construction	Install T.P.Z Fencing		
7	SM	Eco Low	Remove			
8	M	Eco medium	Remove			
9	M	Eco Low	Remove			
10	M	Eco medium	Retain /Reassess 3 months after construction	Install T.P.Z Fencing		
11	M	Eco medium	Remove			
12	SM	Eco Low	Retain / Reassess 3 months after construction			
13	M	Eco Low	Retain / Reassess 3 months after construction			_
14	M	Eco Low	Retain / Reassess 3 months after construction			
15	M	Eco Low	Retain / Reassess 3 months after construction			



<u>15.2 Attachment 2</u> Tree Protection Schedule (to be amended if necessary once Development is approved)

To be signed by the Project Arborist on completion of each task.

Action	Date	Signed
Preparation		
Appoint appropriate Arboricultural expert to oversee		
tree protection measures as required during the		
development project.		
Delegate member of site construction team as Tree		
Protection Representative. (N.B. This person will be		
responsible for ensuring that the protective fencing is		
inspected on a daily basis during site establishment		
and construction.)		
Ensure that Tree Protection Schedule is available, has		
been read and fully understood, checking any queries		
with retained Arborist.		
Ensure that Tree Protection Induction Sheets are		
available to be read and signed by all site contractors.		
Display Tree Protection Plan laminated on Site Office		
wall.		

Action	Date	Signed
First Phase – site establishment		
Retained Arborist to establish layout of protective		
fencing for retained and protected trees and mark all		
trees to be retained.		
Project manager to verify each tree to be retained and		
marked by the Project Arborist.		

Action	Date	Signed
First Phase – site establishment		
Prune trees. This process will be appropriately		
supervised by the retained Arboriculturalist and		
according to Australian Standard 4373-1996 Pruning of		
Amenity Trees and the Work Cover Code of Practice		
for the Amenity Tree Industry.		
Install specified TPZ fencing around Trees. This		
process will be appropriately supervised by the retained		
Arboriculturalist.		
Project Arborist or developer to supply and install Tree		
Protection Area signs and a Prohibited Activities sign		
near Trees		



HOLD POINT - REPORTING STAGE

Initial tree work

Tree Protection Fencing with signs correctly in place Mulch correctly installed

The project Arborist should certify the works on completion.

Action	Date	Signed
Site establishment and construction		
Undertake earthworks all outside of TPZ/CRZ		
Project Arborist to irrigate, improve soil, check mulch		
protection levels and weed if necessary		
If in unlikely event that tree roots are uncovered near		
the TPZ/CRZ the Arborist will sever the roots		
clinically		
Install scaffold board ground protection within or		
near the TPZ. This process will be appropriately		
supervised by the retained Arboriculturalist		
Once all of the main construction activities are		
completed, and scaffold etc. removed, the protective		
fencing can be removed. This should be carried out by		
hand. Heavy vehicles or plant should not be allowed		
within the tree protection zone between the new		
buildings and the trees. This process will be		
appropriately supervised by the retained		
Arboriculturalist		
On the completion of construction, contact retained		
Arboriculturalist to inspect the Tree Protection Zone.		

REPORTING STAGE: Final certification

The Arborist should assess the condition of the tree and its growing environment, and make recommendations for any necessary remedial actions.

WEEKLY INSPECTION ITEMS

Action	Date	Signed
Check presence and condition of Tree protection		
fencing, signs, soil moisture, and tree condition		
Ensure that no personnel, fuels, chemicals or other		
materials are allowed into the Tree Protection Area		
Ensure no access equipment, including scaffolding, is		
allowed into the Tree Protection Area		
Scaffolding should include appropriate netting and		
ground boards to prevent debris from falling into the		
Tree Protection Area		
In the eventuality of a transgression of these conditions,		
contact the retained Arboriculturalist to establish		
whether any appropriate remedial action should be		
taken		

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