

Natural Environment Referral Response - Coastal

Application Number:	Mod2020/0680
Date:	27/01/2021
Responsible Officer	Gareth David
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 5 DP 17704 , 16 Cabarita Road AVALON BEACH NSW 2107

Reasons for referral

This application seeks consent for land located within the Coastal Zone.

And as such, Council's Natural Environment Unit officers are required to consider the likely impacts on drainage regimes.

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The modification application has been assessed in consideration of the Coastal Management Act 2016, State Environmental Planning Policy (Coastal Management) 2018 and has also been assessed against requirements of the Pittwater LEP 2014 and Pittwater 21 DCP.

Coastal Management Act 2016

The subject site has been identified as being within the coastal zone and therefore *Coastal Management Act 2016* is applicable to the proposed development.

The proposed modification is in line with the objects, as set out under Clause 3 of the *Coastal Management Act 2016*.

State Environmental Planning Policy (Coastal Management) 2018

The subject land has been included on the 'Coastal Environment Area' and 'Coastal Use Area' maps under the State Environmental Planning Policy (Coastal Management) 2018 (CM SEPP). Hence, Clauses 13, 14 and 15 of the CM SEPP apply for this DA.

Comment:

On internal assessment, the DA satisfies requirements under clauses 13, 14 and 15 of the CM SEPP.

As such, it is considered that the application does comply with the requirements of the State Environmental Planning Policy (Coastal Management) 2018.

Pittwater LEP 2014 and Pittwater 21 DCP

Estuarine Risk Management

The subject property has also been identified as affected by estuarine wave action and tidal inundation on Council's Estuarine Hazard Mapping. As such, the Estuarine Risk Management Policy for Development in Pittwater (Appendix 7, Pittwater 21 DCP) and the relevant B3.7 Estuarine Hazard Controls will apply to any proposed development of the site.

In accordance with the submitted Estuarine Risk Management Report prepared by Salients Pty. Ltd. dated November 2018, an estuarine planning level (EPL) of RL 2.45m AHD would apply at the subject site. On internal assessment, the proposed retaining wall is located above the applicable EPL for the site.

The proposed modification is therefore not required to satisfy the relevant estuarine risk management requirements of P21 DCP.

Development on Foreshore Area

However, a large section of the subject property is within the foreshore building line. Part 7, Clause 7.8 –Limited development on foreshore area of the Pittwater LEP 2014 applies for any development within the foreshore area.

The modification DA proposes addition of a sandstone block retaining wall adjacent paving to match existing. All these proposed works are consistent with Clause 7.8(2)(b).

On internal assessment, the modification DA satisfies the objectives and requirements of Part 7, Clause 7.8 of the Pittwater LEP 2014.

The proposal is therefore supported.

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

Recommended Natural Environment Conditions:

Nil.