

# **Natural Environment Referral Response - Biodiversity**

Application Number:	DA2019/0925

Responsible Officer	Megan Surtees
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 134 DP 14961 , 26 Bynya Road PALM BEACH NSW
	2108

#### Reasons for referral

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

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

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

#### Officer comments

This application was assessed against Pittwater LEP Clause 7.6 and Pittwater DCP B4.7 Pittwater Spotted Gum EEC.

The proposal is for the alterations and additions to the existing dwelling which includes an external access walkway, new water tank and landscaping.

The submitted Arboricultural Assessment (Margot Blues, 12/08/2019) confirms that no prescribed trees will be impacted by the proposal which satisfies biodiversity reporting requirements.

Council's Natural Environment - Biodiversity section supports the application subject to conditions.

# **Referral Body Recommendation**

Recommended for approval, subject to conditions

### **Recommended Natural Environment Conditions:**

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

# New vegetation planting

Prior to the issue of any Occupation Certificate, evidence that the new vegetation planting comprises a minimum of 80% locally native vegetation species (as per species listed in the Pittwater Spotted Gum EEC) is to be provided to the Principal Certifying Authority.

Reason: To maintain native vegetation in accordance with relevant Natural Environment LEP/DCP

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controls.

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

# **No Planting Environmental Weeds**

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

**Reason:** Weed management.

#### Works to cease if item found

If any Aboriginal Engravings or Relics are unearthed all work is to cease immediately and the Aboriginal Heritage Office (AHO) and Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) are to be notified.

**Reason:** To protect Aboriginal Heritage.

# **Dead or Injured Wildlife**

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

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

#### **Domestic Animals Exclusion**

For the life of the development, cats are to be kept in a cat run and/or inside the dwelling such that they are prevented from entering wildlife habitat areas at all times. Dogs are to be kept in an enclosed area such that they cannot enter areas of bushland, unrestrained, on surrounding properties.

Reason: Wildlife protection

### **Fencing for Wildlife Passage**

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

Reason: Management of wildlife corridors

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