

## Landscape Referral Response

<b>Application Number:</b>	DA2021/1783
<b>Date:</b>	15/10/2021
<b>Responsible Officer:</b>	Gareth David
<b>Land to be developed (Address):</b>	Lot 4 DP 567442 , 23 Baroona Road CHURCH POINT NSW 2105

### Reasons for referral

This application seeks consent for the following:

- Construction / development works within 5 metres of a tree or
- New residential works with three or more dwellings. (RFB's, townhouses, seniors living, guesthouses, etc). or
- Mixed use developments containing three or more residential dwellings.
- New Dwellings or

### Officer comments

The application seeks consent for alterations and additions to an existing dwelling.

Councils Landscape Referral section has considered the application against the Pittwater Local Environmental Plan (R5 Zone) , and the following Pittwater 21 DCP controls:

- B4.22 Preservation of Trees and Bushland Vegetation
- C1.1 Landscaping

The Arborist's Report submitted with the application prepared by Aura Tree Services is noted.

The plans indicate removal of several small trees adjacent to the existing dwelling. The Arborist's Report raises no issues with the proposed tree removals.

No objections are raised with regard to landscape issues subject to conditions as recommended.

The proposal is therefore supported.

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

### Recommended Landscape Conditions:

#### **CONDITIONS TO BE COMPLIED WITH DURING DEMOLITION AND BUILDING WORK**

#### **Protection of Landscape Features and Sites of Significance**

All natural landscape features including natural rock outcrops, natural vegetation, soil and watercourses

are to remain undisturbed during demolition, excavation and construction works except where affected by works detailed on approved plans.

Should any Aboriginal Cultural Heritage items be uncovered during earthworks, works should cease in the area and the Aboriginal Heritage Office contacted to assess the finds.

Under Section 89a of the NPW Act should the objects be found to be Aboriginal, NSW Biodiversity and Conservation Division, Heritage NSW and the Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council (MLALC) should be contacted.

Reason: Preservation of significant environmental features.

### **Tree and Vegetation Protection**

- a) Existing trees and vegetation shall be retained and protected including:
  - i) all trees and vegetation within the site not indicated for removal in the approved plans and documentation, excluding exempt trees and vegetation under the relevant planning instruments of legislation,
  - ii) all trees and vegetation located on adjoining properties,
  - iii) all road reserve trees and vegetation.
- b) Tree protection shall be undertaken as follows:
  - i) tree protection shall be in accordance with Australian Standard 4970-2009 Protection of Trees on Development Sites including the provision of temporary fencing to protect existing trees within 5 metres of development,
  - ii) existing ground levels shall be maintained within the tree protection zone of trees to be retained unless authorised by an Arborist with minimum AQF Level 5 in arboriculture,
  - iii) removal of existing tree roots at or >25mm (Ø) diameter is not permitted without consultation with an Arborist with minimum AQF Level 5 in arboriculture,
  - iv) no excavated material, building material storage, site facilities, nor landscape materials are to be placed within the canopy dripline of trees and other vegetation required to be retained,
  - v) structures are to bridge tree roots at or >25mm (Ø) diameter unless directed by an Arborist with minimum AQF Level 5 in arboriculture on site,
  - vi) excavation for stormwater lines and all other utility services is not permitted within the tree protection zone without consultation with an Arborist with minimum AQF Level 5 in arboriculture including advice on root protection measures,
  - vii) should either or all of v), vi) and vii) occur during site establishment and construction works, an Arborist with minimum AQF Level 5 in arboriculture shall provide recommendations for tree protection measures. Details including photographic evidence of works undertaken shall be submitted by the Arborist to the Certifying Authority,
  - viii) any temporary access to or location of scaffolding within the tree protection zone of a protected tree or any other tree to be retained during the construction works is to be undertaken using the protection measures specified in sections 4.5.3 and 4.5.6 of Australian Standard 4970-2009 Protection of Trees on Development Sites,
  - ix) the activities listed in section 4.2 of Australian Standard 4970-2009 Protection of Trees on Development Sites shall not occur within the tree protection zone of any tree on the lot or any tree on an adjoining site,
  - x) tree pruning from within the site to enable approved works shall not exceed 10% of any tree canopy and shall be in accordance with Australian Standard 4373-2007

Pruning of Amenity Trees,

- xi) the tree protection measures specified in this clause must: i) be in place before work commences on the site, and ii) be maintained in good condition during the construction period, and iii) remain in place for the duration of the construction works.

The Certifying Authority must ensure that:

- c) The activities listed in section 4.2 of Australian Standard 4970-2009 Protection of Trees on Development Sites do not occur within the tree protection zone of any tree and any temporary access to or location of scaffolding within the tree protection zone of a protected tree or any other tree to be retained on the site during the construction is undertaken using the protection measures specified in sections 4.5.3 and 4.5.6 of that standard.

Note: All street trees within the road verge and trees within private property are protected under Northern Beaches Council development control plans except where Council's written consent for removal has been obtained. The felling, lopping, topping, ringbarking or removal of any tree (s) is prohibited.

Reason: Tree and vegetation protection.

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

### Required Tree Planting

a) Trees shall be planted in accordance with the following:

- i) Minimum 5 local native trees capable of attaining a minimum height of 5m at maturity; within the grounds of the property; minimum pot size 200mm

b) Native tree planting species may be selected from Council's list:

[www.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au/environment/native-plants/native-plant-species-guide](http://www.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au/environment/native-plants/native-plant-species-guide).

c) Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Principal Certifying Authority prior to the issue of any Occupation Certificate.

**Note: Please consider registering your new tree through the link below to be counted as part of the NSW State Government's 5 Million trees initiative**

<https://5milliontrees.nsw.gov.au/>

Reason: To maintain environmental amenity.