

## Natural Environment Referral Response - Biodiversity

Application Number:	DA2020/0309
Date:	11/06/2020
Responsible Officer	Maxwell Duncan
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 19 DP 209443 , 62 Riviera Avenue AVALON BEACH NSW 2107

### 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

The proposed development has been assessed against the following biodiversity-related provisions:

- Pittwater LEP Clause 7.6 (Biodiversity Protection)
- Pittwater DCP Clause B4.6 (Wildlife Corridors)

The subject site is predominately landscaped garden with some small areas of native vegetation remaining. A recent approved application to remove three trees, in combination with removal of exempt vegetation, and the proposed removal of exotic/weed species will occur to accommodate the proposed development. A landscape concept plan has been provided, and a consent condition will be included in relation to species composition.

The proposed development will therefore not result in impact to significant native vegetation or wildlife habitat.

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:

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

#### Landscaping in Wildlife Corridor

Any new landscaping is to be composed of a minimum 60% (by number of plants) locally native plant

species of the Pittwater Ward, as per the Native Plant Guide on Council's website.

**Reason:** To achieve compliance with PDCP Clause B4.6 (Wildlife Corridors)

**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.