

Natural Environment Referral Response - Biodiversity

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| Application Number: | DA2020/0430 |
| Date: | 19/06/2020 |
| Responsible Officer | Thomas Burns |
| Land to be developed (Address): | Lot 9 DP 28908 , 50 Minkara Road BAYVIEW NSW 2104 |

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 is mostly within the existing building envelope, with three trees to be removed. The arborist report has justified the tree removals and tree retention proposed, and no objections are raised to the proposed removals subject to replanting and weed management conditions.

The development has been assessed against cl.7.6 Biodiversity of Pittwater LEP 2014 and P21 DCP B4.18 Heathland/Woodland Vegetation.

The development is proposed in the area of least impact on woodland vegetation and loss of native vegetation is minimal. The development shall ensure that at least 80% of any new planting incorporates native vegetation for the Pittwater Ward (as per species found on the site or listed in Native Plants Species Guide available on the Council website) in order to comply with the DCP requirements. The development has been designed, sited and will be managed to avoid any significant adverse environmental impact

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:

CONDITIONS TO BE SATISFIED PRIOR TO THE ISSUE OF THE CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATE

Landscaping

The Landscaping Plan (Harrison Architecture Drawing DA1501 dated 9/4/20) shall be amended to ensure

that at least 80% of any new planting incorporates native vegetation (as per species found on the site or listed for the Pittwater Ward in Native Plants for Your Garden available on the Council website). No Grevillea or Banksia hybrids are to be used in the landscaping for this development. Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Certifying Authority prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

Reason: Biodiversity conservation and management

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

Control of Weeds

Prior to the completion of works, all priority weeds (as listed under the Biosecurity Act 2015) are to be removed/controlled within the subject site using an appropriately registered control method. Information on weeds of the Northern Beaches can be found at the NSW WeedWise website (<http://weeds.dpi.nsw.gov.au/>). All environmental weeds are to be removed and controlled. Refer to Council website http://www.pittwater.nsw.gov.au/environment/noxious_weeds

Reason: Weed management.

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.