
Sent: 9/10/2023 4:15:59 PM
Subject: DA2023/0726 - 257 Whale Beach Road WHALE BEACH

Attn: Olivia Ramage

Dear Olivia,

Development Application No. DA2023/0726
Description: Construction of an inclinor and associated landscaping works
Address: 257 Whale Beach Road WHALE BEACH

Reference is made to the proposed development at the above area and Aboriginal heritage.

No sites are recorded in the current development area.

Whilst the area of works does not contain Aboriginal sites or Aboriginal heritage sensitivity other portions of the DA area do. According to the Due Diligence Code of Practice, any land within 200m of water is considered to have Aboriginal heritage sensitivity and the potential to contain Aboriginal sites. Given the presence of these landscape features in the proposal area there is potential that the works may harm unrecorded Aboriginal sites which are protected under the NPW Act 1974. Harm to these landscape features should therefore be avoided during the construction phase of the works.

Inadvertent impacts is considered harm under the NPW Act (1974). Storing materials, parking vehicles on an Aboriginal site or area likely to contain Aboriginal sites is considered harm. During construction all workers and contractors should be made aware of their obligations to avoid harm to Aboriginal sites and areas of Aboriginal sensitivity.

If inadvertent impacts do occur works, works should cease and Council, Heritage NSW and the Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council should be contacted.

Kind regards

Susan Whitby MCISc PLV

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I acknowledge and pay my respects to the traditional owners and ancestors of the lands in which the AHO work across.