

Natural Environment Referral Response - Biodiversity

Application Number:	DA2022/1053
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Date:	12/08/2022
Responsible Officer	Thomas Burns
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 1 DP 1170245 , 0 Wharves And Jetties MANLY NSW 2095

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 guery 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 for potential impacts to the endangered population of Little Penguins at Manly. Individual penguins associated with this population have been recorded within the aquatic and terrestrial environment surrounding Manly Wharf. Whilst the proposed use of the existing shop as a sushi takeaway store will not impact directly upon penguin habitat, takeaway 'fish-shaped' soy sauce containers are likely to be provided to customers. These are a key source of plastic pollution and cause of aquatic fauna mortality (including seabirds) in developed/commerical coastal areas. It is strongly recommended that the proposal be assessed by Council's Waste Team and/or conditions be applied to prohibit the use of these containers during operation.

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:

Nil.

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