

## STATEMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS



- SITE: Lot 35 Section 1 DP 5466 2 Surfers Parade Freshwater
- APPLICANT: Drafting Help
- **PROPOSAL:** Conversion of an existing detached garage to a pool house and storage area.

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## INTRODUCTION

This Statement of Environmental Effects is submitted to Northern Beaches Council in accordance with the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, in support of a development application for alterations to an existing detached garage.

The proposed works include:

- Conversion of the existing detached garage to a pool house and storage area.

The allotment is rectangular in shape with primary frontage to Surfers Parade of 10.06m, a parallel frontage to Soldiers Avenue of 10.06m, a depth of 40.235m and a total land area of 404m<sup>2</sup>. The lot currently contains a two storey dwelling that is being retained as part of the proposed development. The proposed works relate to the detached garage as shown on the accompanying architectural plans.

No trees are required to be removed as part of the proposed development. Existing vegetation is to be retained in order to maintain the landscape character of the area.

All necessary services are available on the site. The site has a moderate fall to the street boundary with drainage to be directed to the existing drainage collection system.

The neighbourhood generally consists of a mix of one and two storey dwellings as anticipated within an existing residential estate.

The following sections of this statement address the likely impact of the proposal on the environment.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS**

The following sections address the matters for consideration as listed in Part 4 Section 4.15 of the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979. A comment is provided against each relevant matter.

#### (a)(i) Relevant environmental planning instruments

#### Warringah Local Environmental Plan 2011

The subject site is zoned R2 Low Density Residential pursuant to <u>Clause 2.1</u> of *Warringah Local Environmental Plan 2011*.

The proposed development is ancillary development to the existing dwelling on the allotment. A "dwelling house" is defined as "a building containing only one dwelling".

The identified zone permits the construction of a 'dwelling house' therefore ancillary development is permitted subject to development consent from Council.

#### Clause 2.3 Zone objectives and land use table

The objectives of the R2 Zone are as follows:

- To provide for the housing needs of the community within a low-density residential environment.
- To enable other land uses that provide facilities or services to meet the day to day needs of residents.
- To ensure that low density residential environments are characterised by landscaped settings that are in harmony with the natural environment of Warringah.

The proposed development is for a low-density residential development, being compatible with the existing and future character of the locality. The pool house is designed to complement the amenity for adjoining residents whilst considering the natural constraints of the site. The proposed dwelling is considered to meet the relevant objectives of the R2 zone.

Clause 4.3 Height of Buildings
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Requirement	Provision	Compliance
8.5m ridge height.	<8.5m – Unchanged by the proposed development.	Yes

#### Clause 4.6 Exceptions to Development Standards

The proposed development does not contravene the development standards of the LEP.

#### Clause 5.10 Heritage Conservation

Upon reference to Schedule 5 in relation to Local, State or Regional items of heritage significance including conservation areas, it was revealed that the subject property was not identified as having heritage significance.

Clause 5.11 Bush fire hazard reduction

The subject site is not identified as bushfire prone land on Council's maps.

Clause 6.1 Acid Sulfate Soils

The subject property is not identified as being affected by Acid Sulphate Soils.

#### Clause 6.2 Earthworks

No earthworks are required as part of the proposed development as the works are proposed within the existing footprint of the detached garage.

#### Clause 6.3 Flood planning

The subject site is not known to be located within a flood planning area.

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#### Conclusion with respect to LEP requirements

The proposal is considered to generally satisfy the objectives of all the relevant development standards relating to dwelling houses as contained within WLEP 2011.

#### (a)(ii) Relevant draft environmental planning instruments

There are no known draft environmental planning instruments that would prevent the subject development from proceeding.

#### (a)(iii) Relevant development control plans

#### Warringah Development Control Plan 2011

#### PART B BUILT FORM CONTROLS

Requirement	Provision	Compliance
<u>B1 – Wall heights</u> Max. wall height 7.2m existing ground to upper ceiling.	<7.2m max. wall height.	Yes – unchanged by the proposal.
<u>B2 - Number of Storeys</u> Max. no. storeys shown on DCP No. Storeys map.	Two Storey dwelling unchanged by the proposal. Detached single storey garage.	N/A – subject site not mapped
<u>B3 - Side Boundary</u> <u>Envelope</u> Side boundary envelope 45° & 4m or 5m from existing ground (refer DCP Map) Encroachment of the fascia, gutters, eaves permitted.	Entire building within the 4m building envelope.	Yes
<u>B4 - Site Coverage</u>	N/A	N/A

Site coverage as per Site		
Coverage Map		
<u>B5 – Side Boundary</u>		
<u>Setbacks</u>		
As per DCP Side Boundary	<900mm unchanged by	No – variation requested
Setbacks map: - 0.9m.	the proposed	based on the existing
	development.	non-compliance that is
		not being modified as
		part of the proposed
		development.
<u>B6 - Merit Assessment of</u>	N/A	N/A
Side Boundary Setbacks		
for sites shown on map.		
<u>B7 – Front Boundary</u>		
<u>Setbacks</u>		
As per DCP Front	Unchanged by the	Yes
Boundary Setbacks map:	proposed development.	
- 6.5m.	Remains in keeping with	
	the streetscape.	
Corner allotments in R2	N/A	N/A
and R3 Zones:		
Where the min. front		
setback is 6.5m on both		
frontages the secondary		
street setback can be		
reduced to 3.5m		
B8 - Merit Assessment of	N/A	N/A
		NA
Front Boundary Setback		
for sites shown on map.		
<u>B9 - Rear Boundary</u>		
<u>Setbacks</u>		
As per DCP Rear	<b>3</b> ,	No – variation requested
Boundary Setbacks map:	proposed development.	based on the existing
- 6m.		non-compliance that is
		not being modified as
		part of the proposed
		development.
<u>B10 - Merit Assessment of</u>	N/A	N/A
<u>Rear Boundary Setback</u>		
for sites shown on map.		
<u>B11 - Foreshore Building</u>	N/A	N/A
<u>Setback</u>		
As per the map – 15m		
<u>B12 - National Parks</u>	N/A	N/A
<u>Setback</u>		
As per the map - 20m		
<u>B13 - Coastal Cliffs</u>	N/A	N/A
<u>Setback</u>		
As per map.		
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<u>B14 - Main Roads Setback</u>	N/A	N/A
As per map.		

## PART C SITING FACTORS

Requirement	Provision	Compliance
<u>C2 – Traffic, Access and</u>		
<u>Safety</u> Suitable vehicular access from a public road.	Driveway access from Surfers Parade unchanged by the proposed development.	Merit consideration
<u>C3 – Parking Facilities</u> Garage/carport integrated into house design.	Existing garage to be converted to a pool house and storage area. Hardstand parking	N/A
	spaces provided off Surfers Parade as per the existing arrangement.	
Laneways to provide rear access where possible.	Rear street access to the site however hardstand parking provided off Surfers Parade.	Suitable outcome achieved for the subject site.
Parking not to obscure views from dwelling to street.	Existing hardstand parking unchanged by the proposed development and does not obstruct views to the street frontage.	N/A
Garage/carport opening max. 6m or 50% building width, whichever lesser.	N/A – no garage or carport proposed.	N/A
2 spaces per dwelling.	2 spaces provided within the hardstand driveway area off Surfers Parade. Unchanged from the existing arrangement.	Merit consideration
<u>C4 – Stormwater</u> Suitable stormwater system for each site.	Stormwater unchanged by the proposed development.	Yes
<u>C5 – Erosion and</u> <u>Sedimentation</u>		

Erosion and Sedimentation controls to be in place.	Erosion and sediment control plan not considered necessary as no earthworks will be required for the proposed development.	For Council's consideration
<u>C7 – Excavation and</u> <u>Landfill</u> Cut and fill not to impact neighbours. Clean fill only.	Cut and fill not required for the proposed development. No works proposed outside of the existing structure.	N/A
<u>C9 Waste Management</u> Waste Management Plan to be provided. Bin storage area to be allocated.	Provided. Adequate area continues to be available on site out of public view.	Yes Yes

## PART D DESIGN

Requirement	Provision	Compliance
<u>D1 – Landscape Open</u> <u>Space and Bushland</u> <u>Setting</u> Landscaped open space as per map soft landscape with min 2m width.		
Subject site = 40%	20% - unchanged by the proposed development.	Merit consideration.
<u>D2 – Private Open Space</u> POS area = 1-2 bedrooms – 35m <sup>2</sup> min 3m width.	N/A	N/A
3+ bedrooms – 60m² min 5m width.	>60m² with min width of 5m.	Yes
Direct access from living area.	Access from ground floor dining room.	Yes
POS located behind building line.	Provided behind building line.	Yes
Maximise solar access & privacy.	Appropriate level of solar access and privacy	Yes

	maintained to the existing development. Unchanged by the proposed development.	
<u>D6 – Access to Sunlight</u> Consider solar access & ventilation in siting of dwelling.	Existing dwelling appropriately sited for the allotment.	Yes
3hrs sunlight to 50%POS and glazed areas to living rooms between 9am & 3pm.	Existing solar access unchanged by the proposed development as no changes to the built form.	Yes
<u>D7 – Views</u> View sharing to be considered.	No loss of views is anticipated due to no changes to the existing built form.	Yes
<u>D8 – Privacy</u> Maintain privacy to adjoining properties.	Existing living areas are orientated to rear POS. Setbacks and landscaped area unchanged to maintain privacy. Windows within the proposed pool house area appropriately orientated and setback to minimise privacy intrusion to adjoining dwellings.	Yes
<u>D9 – Building Bulk</u> Avoid large areas of continuous wall planes.	Existing built form unchanged by the proposed development ensuring that there is no excessive bulk presented to the surrounding properties.	Yes
Max. fill 1m and to remain within building footprint. Minimise excavation.	Cut and fill not required for the proposed development due to no changes to the built form.	Yes Yes
Orientate dwelling to street.	Existing dwelling addresses street frontage.	Yes

Use articulation and materials to reduce building mass.	Built form unchanged by the proposed development.	Yes
<u>D10 – Building Colours</u> <u>and Materials</u> Colours finishes to blend with natural setting.	Materials and colour schedule provided for Council's consideration.	Yes
<u>D11 – Roofs</u> Pitch to compliment streetscape.	Roof unchanged by the proposed development.	N/A
Varied roof forms to be provided.		
Eaves required.		
<u>D12 – Glare and</u> <u>Reflection</u> Materials to minimise glare.	Non-reflective materials proposed.	Yes
D13 - Front fences and Front wallsFront fences 1.2m.Solid fences to be articulated and setback for landscaping.Providecasual surveillancesurveillance(unless excessive noise requires blocking).Gates to remain in	Fencing does not form part of the proposed development.	N/A
boundary when open. <u>D14 – Site facilities</u> Site Facilities – bin storage, clothes drying etc to be provided	Rear yard provides adequate area for site facilities.	Yes
<u>D15 – Side and Rear</u> <u>Fences</u> Side & Rear boundary fencing max. 1.8m measure from low side (can be averaged for sloping sites to allow regular steps).	Boundary fencing to be provided in accordance with the Dividing Fences Act and Council's requirements where replacement is required.	Yes
<u>D16 - Swimming Pools &amp;</u> <u>Spas</u>		Yes

Not within primary setback (2ndry setback OK for corner sites). Appropriate setback from trees.	Location of existing swimming pool unchanged by the proposed development.	
<u>D19 - Site Consolidation</u> requirements for the R3 & IN1 Zones	N/A	N/A
<u>D20 Safety and Security</u> Casual surveillance of street & suitable lighting.	Casual surveillance of the street continues to occur from the entry and habitable rooms to the frontage of the dwelling. View to entry approach available from large open entry and bedroom windows.	Yes
<u>D22 – Conservation of</u> <u>Energy and Water</u> Design for water and energy conservation.	BASIX Certificate not considered necessary in this instance	Yes

### PART E THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

Requirement	Provision	Compliance
<u>E3 – Threatened species,</u> population, ecological <u>communities</u>	No troop are required to	For Councilo
Minimise tree removal and protect remaining trees.	No trees are required to be removed as the proposed development is located within the existing built form.	For Councils Consideration
	The proposed development is not anticipated to impact upon the landscape character of the area, as maintained as part of the proposed development.	
Flora & Fauna assessment if native veg >100m <sup>2</sup> to be removed or veg removed from site in last 5 years.	<100m <sup>2</sup> of vegetation proposed to be removed	N/A
<u>E7 – Development on</u> land adj. public open <u>space</u>	N/A	N/A

Development adj public		
reserve to compliment		
character of reserve.		
Casual surveillance of		
public reserve.		
Landscaping to screen		
development		
<u>E8</u> - Waterways and		
Riparian Land		
Waterway Impact	N/A	N/A
Statement for works in		
waterway.		
Riparian Land Group A &		
Group B have specific		
requirements.		
APZ not to extend into		
such land.		
<u>E9 - Coastline Hazard</u>	N/A	N/A
<u>E10 - Landslip Risk</u>		
As per the map.	Landslip Risk identified as	Yes
	Area A. Geotech Report	
Geotech required	not considered	
where indicated in DCP.	necessary for	
	development within the	
	existing built form.	
E11 – Flood Prone Land	N/A	N/A
Flood Risk map indicates		
level. Requirements		
outlined in DCP.		

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#### Conclusion with respect to DCP Requirements

The proposed alterations and additions to an existing detached garage is considered to be appropriately designed and sited to achieve the objectives of the design provisions with Warringah DCP 2011.

# (b) Likely impacts of the development, including environmental impacts on both the natural and built environment of the locality.

The following matters are considered relevant when considering onsite impacts:

#### Waste Minimisation

All waste will be deposited within the waste receptacle in accordance with the waste management plan attached to this application.

#### Noise and Vibration

All work will be undertaken during hours specified within the development consent. No vibration damage is envisaged occur during construction.

#### (c) The suitability of the site for the development

The subject site is within an existing residential area and is close to local commercial, retail and transport facilities. The existing road network provides easy access to all locations.

The alterations to the existing detached garage, the subject of this application, can be constructed with all services necessary and has been designed to suit site constraints and the character of the surrounding locality.

The residential use of the site is permissible with development consent under the provisions of Warringah LEP 2011 and generally satisfies the objectives of the relevant development control plans as discussed above.

#### (d) Any submissions made in accordance with this Act or the regulations

Council will consider any submissions received during the relevant notification period for this development application.

#### (e) Public interest

As the proposal can satisfy the objectives of all relevant planning instruments and development control plan, approval of the subject dwelling is considered to be in the public interest.

## CONCLUSION

The residential use of the site is permissible with development consent under the provisions of Warringah Local Environmental Plan 2011, and can satisfy the objectives of the instrument. The proposal also generally satisfies the objectives of Council's Development Control Plan 2011.

It is considered that the construction of alterations to an existing detached garage will complement and blend with the existing, and likely future character of this section of Freshwater, being an area containing a transitionary blend of housing from differing era's of single and two storey construction. The proposal is not expected to have an adverse impact on the natural or built environment.

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