

DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION ASSESSMENT REPORT

Application Number:	DA2022/0516
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Responsible Officer:	Brittany Harrison
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 189 DP 224239, 4 Wakooka Avenue ELANORA HEIGHTS NSW 2101
Proposed Development:	Construction of a swimming pool
Zoning:	C4 Environmental Living
Development Permissible:	Yes
Existing Use Rights:	No
Consent Authority:	Northern Beaches Council
Land and Environment Court Action:	No
Owner:	Kate Elizabeth Spittles
Applicant:	Serenescapes Landscape Designs Pty Ltd

Application Lodged:	07/04/2022
Integrated Development:	No
Designated Development:	No
State Reporting Category:	Residential - Alterations and additions
Notified:	20/04/2022 to 04/05/2022
Advertised:	Not Advertised
Submissions Received:	0
Clause 4.6 Variation:	Nil
Recommendation:	Approval

Estimated Cost of Works:	\$ 98,230.00
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PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT IN DETAIL

The application seeks development consent for alterations and additions to an existing dwelling.

Specifically, the works comprise of:

- Excavation and construction of a swimming pool to the southern portion of the site;
- Construction of elevated deck to the southern portion of the site which is to connect to the existing front verandah;
- Planting of screen vegetation (Lilly Pilly) along the entire southern edge of swimming pool and deck;
- Demolition of concrete area to rear to accommodate for additional lawn area; and
- New door to southern elevation for access to elevated deck.

Herein this report these works are described as the 'development'.

ASSESSMENT INTRODUCTION

The application has been assessed in accordance with the requirements of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 and the associated Regulations. In this regard:

- An assessment report and recommendation has been prepared (the subject of this report) taking into account all relevant provisions of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, and the associated regulations;
- A site inspection was conducted and consideration has been given to the impacts of the development upon the subject site and adjoining, surrounding and nearby properties;
- Notification to adjoining and surrounding properties, advertisement (where required) and referral to relevant internal and external bodies in accordance with the Act, Regulations and relevant Development Control Plan;
- A review and consideration of all submissions made by the public and community interest groups in relation to the application;
- A review and consideration of all documentation provided with the application (up to the time of determination);
- A review and consideration of all referral comments provided by the relevant Council Officers, State Government Authorities/Agencies and Federal Government Authorities/Agencies on the proposal.

SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT ISSUES

Pittwater 21 Development Control Plan - C1.5 Visual Privacy

Pittwater 21 Development Control Plan - D5.9 Landscaped Area - Environmentally Sensitive Land

SITE DESCRIPTION

Property Description:	Lot 189 DP 224239 , 4 Wakooka Avenue ELANORA HEIGHTS NSW 2101
Detailed Site Description:	<p>The subject site consists of one (1) allotment located on the western side of Wakooka Avenue.</p> <p>The site is legally identified as Lot 189, in Deposited Plan 224239, No. 4 Wakooka Avenue, Elanora Heights.</p> <p>The site is regular in shape with a frontage of 24.385m and a depth of 34.44m. The site has a surveyed area of 839.8m².</p> <p>The site is located within the C4 Environmental Living zone under the Pittwater Local Environmental Plan 2014 and accommodates a single detached dwelling house.</p> <p>The site topography slopes down from the north-western corner of the property to the south-east by approximately 9.43m.</p>

The site consists of well maintained lawn areas, garden beds and canopy trees both to the rear and front of the property. A rock outcrop is located to the west of the site along the rear boundary.

Detailed Description of Adjoining/Surrounding Development

Adjoining and surrounding development is characterised by both one (1) and two (2) storey developments of various architectural designs, located within a landscaped residential setting.

Map:



SITE HISTORY

A search of Council's records has revealed that there are no recent or relevant applications for this site.

The land has been used for residential purposes for an extended period of time.

ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT, 1979 (EPAA)

The relevant matters for consideration under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979, are:

Section 4.15 Matters for Consideration	Comments
Section 4.15 (1) (a)(i) – Provisions of any environmental planning instrument	See discussion on "Environmental Planning Instruments" in this report.
Section 4.15 (1) (a)(ii) – Provisions of any draft environmental planning instrument	Draft State Environmental Planning Policy (Remediation of Land) seeks to replace the existing SEPP No. 55 (Remediation of Land). Public consultation on the draft policy was completed on 13 April

Section 4.15 Matters for Consideration	Comments
	2018. The subject site has been used for residential purposes for an extended period of time. The proposed development retains the residential use of the site, and is not considered a contamination risk.
Section 4.15 (1) (a)(iii) – Provisions of any development control plan	Pittwater 21 Development Control Plan applies to this proposal.
Section 4.15 (1) (a)(iia) – Provisions of any planning agreement	None applicable.
Section 4.15 (1) (a)(iv) – Provisions of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000 (EP&A Regulation 2000)	<p><u>Division 8A</u> of the EP&A Regulation 2000 requires the consent authority to consider "Prescribed conditions" of development consent. These matters have been addressed via a condition of consent.</p> <p><u>Clause 50(1A)</u> of the EP&A Regulation 2000 requires the submission of a design verification certificate from the building designer at lodgement of the development application. This clause is not relevant to this application.</p> <p><u>Clauses 54 and 109</u> of the EP&A Regulation 2000 allow Council to request additional information. No additional information was requested in this case.</p> <p><u>Clause 92</u> of the EP&A Regulation 2000 requires the consent authority to consider AS 2601 - 1991: The Demolition of Structures. This matter has been addressed via a condition of consent.</p> <p><u>Clauses 93 and/or 94</u> of the EP&A Regulation 2000 requires the consent authority to consider the upgrading of a building (including fire safety upgrade of development). This clause is not relevant to this application.</p> <p><u>Clause 98</u> of the EP&A Regulation 2000 requires the consent authority to consider insurance requirements under the Home Building Act 1989. This clause is not relevant to this application.</p> <p><u>Clause 98</u> of the EP&A Regulation 2000 requires the consent authority to consider the provisions of the Building Code of Australia (BCA). This matter has been addressed via a condition of consent.</p> <p><u>Clause 143A</u> of the EP&A Regulation 2000 requires the submission of a design verification certificate from the building designer prior to the issue of a Construction Certificate. This clause is not relevant to this application.</p>
Section 4.15 (1) (b) – the likely impacts of the development, including environmental impacts on	<p>(i) Environmental Impact</p> <p>The environmental impacts of the proposed development on the natural and built environment are addressed under the Pittwater</p>

Section 4.15 Matters for Consideration	Comments
the natural and built environment and social and economic impacts in the locality	<p>21 Development Control Plan section in this report.</p> <p>(ii) Social Impact The proposed development will not have a detrimental social impact in the locality considering the character of the proposal.</p> <p>(iii) Economic Impact The proposed development will not have a detrimental economic impact on the locality considering the nature of the existing and proposed land use.</p>
Section 4.15 (1) (c) – the suitability of the site for the development	The site is considered suitable for the proposed development.
Section 4.15 (1) (d) – any submissions made in accordance with the EPA Act or EPA Regs	See discussion on “Notification & Submissions Received” in this report.
Section 4.15 (1) (e) – the public interest	No matters have arisen in this assessment that would justify the refusal of the application in the public interest.

EXISTING USE RIGHTS

Existing Use Rights are not applicable to this application.

BUSHFIRE PRONE LAND

The site is classified as bush fire prone land. Section 4.14 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 requires Council to be satisfied that the development conforms to the specifications and requirements of the version (as prescribed by the regulations) of the document entitled Planning for Bush Fire Protection.

A Bush Fire Report was submitted with the application that included a certificate (prepared by Bushfire Hazard Solutions Pty Ltd., dated 22 March 2022) stating that the development conforms to the relevant specifications and requirements within Planning for Bush Fire Protection. The recommendations of the Bush Fire Report have been included as conditions of consent.

NOTIFICATION & SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED

The subject development application has been publicly exhibited from 20/04/2022 to 04/05/2022 in accordance with the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000 and the Community Participation Plan.

As a result of the public exhibition of the application Council received no submissions.

REFERRALS

Internal Referral Body	Comments
Landscape Officer	The development application is for the demolition of a section of deck paving and retaining wall, and the construction of a swimming pool and spa with an attached deck and install new doors to the existing dwelling house.

Internal Referral Body	Comments
	<p>Council's Landscape Referral is assessed against the Pittwater Local Environment Plan clause C4 zone Environmental Living, and the following Pittwater 21 DCP controls (but not limited to):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • B4.22 Preservation of Trees and Bushland Vegetation • C1.1 Landscaping • D5 Elanora Heights Locality <p>The site is located in the C4 Environmental Living zone, requiring development to achieve a scale integrated with the landform and landscape, and to minimise impact on the natural environment, including the retention of natural landscape features and existing trees, to satisfy the landscape objectives of the C4 Environmental Living zone.</p> <p>As documented on the development application Plan, all existing trees are preserved and thus the landscape objectives of the C4 zone and C1.1 are satisfied. The Plans include screening shrub planting along the extent of the pool and decking and no Landscape Referral concerns are raised, subject to imposed conditions.</p>
NECC (Bushland and Biodiversity)	<p>The proposed development has been assessed against the following applicable biodiversity-related provisions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pittwater LEP Clause 7.6 - Biodiversity Protection • Pittwater DCP Clause B4 - B4.5 Landscape and Flora and Fauna Enhancement Category 3 Land <p>The proposal will not require removal of prescribed (protected) native trees or wildlife habitat. Native screen planting will assist in improving habitat value on site. The proposal is therefore considered to be consistent with applicable biodiversity controls.</p>
NECC (Development Engineering)	<p>Applicant seeks approval to construct a pool. Applicant's geotechnical engineers has certified that an acceptable risk can be established. No Development Engineering objection subject to recommended conditions.</p>

External Referral Body	Comments
Ausgrid: (SEPP Infra.)	<p>The proposal was referred to Ausgrid who provided a response stating that the proposal is acceptable subject to compliance with the relevant Ausgrid Network Standards and SafeWork NSW Codes of Practice. These recommendations will be included as a condition of consent.</p>

ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING INSTRUMENTS (EPIS)*

All, Environmental Planning Instruments (SEPPs, REPs and LEPs), Development Controls Plans and Council Policies have been considered in the merit assessment of this application.

In this regard, whilst all provisions of each Environmental Planning Instruments (SEPPs, REPs and

LEPs), Development Controls Plans and Council Policies have been considered in the assessment, many provisions contained within the document are not relevant or are enacting, definitions and operational provisions which the proposal is considered to be acceptable against.

As such, an assessment is provided against the controls relevant to the merit consideration of the application hereunder.

State Environmental Planning Policies (SEPPs) and State Regional Environmental Plans (SREPs)

SEPP (Transport and Infrastructure) 2021

Ausgrid

Section 2.48 of Chapter 2 requires the Consent Authority to consider any development application (or an application for modification of consent) for any development carried out:

- within or immediately adjacent to an easement for electricity purposes (whether or not the electricity infrastructure exists).
- immediately adjacent to an electricity substation.
- within 5.0m of an overhead power line.
- includes installation of a swimming pool any part of which is: within 30m of a structure supporting an overhead electricity transmission line and/or within 5.0m of an overhead electricity power line.

Comment

The proposal was referred to Ausgrid who raised no objections, subject to conditions which have been included in the recommendation of this report.

SEPP (Resilience and Hazards) 2021

Chapter 4 – Remediation of Land

Sub-section 4.6 (1)(a) of Chapter 4 requires the Consent Authority to consider whether land is contaminated. Council records indicate that the subject site has been used for residential purposes for a significant period of time with no prior land uses. In this regard it is considered that the site poses no risk of contamination and therefore, no further consideration is required under sub-section 4.6 (1)(b) and (c) of this Chapter and the land is considered to be suitable for the residential land use.

Pittwater Local Environmental Plan 2014

Is the development permissible?	Yes
After consideration of the merits of the proposal, is the development consistent with:	
aims of the LEP?	Yes
zone objectives of the LEP?	Yes

Principal Development Standards

Standard	Requirement	Proposed	% Variation	Complies
Height of Buildings:	8.5m	3.8m (Proposed Deck)	-	Yes

Compliance Assessment

Clause	Compliance with Requirements
1.9A Suspension of covenants, agreements and instruments	Yes
4.3 Height of buildings	Yes
5.10 Heritage conservation	Yes
5.21 Flood planning	Yes
7.1 Acid sulfate soils	Yes
7.2 Earthworks	Yes
7.7 Geotechnical hazards	Yes
7.10 Essential services	Yes

Pittwater 21 Development Control Plan

Built Form Controls

Built Form Control	Requirement	Proposed	% Variation*	Complies
Front Building Line	6.5m (Eastern Boundary)	8.6m (Proposed Pool + Deck)	-	Yes
Rear Building Line	6.5m (Western Boundary)	10.1m (Proposed Pool + Deck)	-	Yes
Side Building Line	2.5m (Northern Boundary)	2.6m (Existing Dwelling)	-	Yes
	1m (Southern Boundary)	1.1m (Proposed Pool + Deck)	-	Yes
Building Envelope	3.5m (Northern Elevation)	Within Envelope	-	Yes
	3.5m (Southern Elevation)	Within Envelope	-	Yes
Landscaped Area	60% (503.9m ²)	54% (453.9m ²)	10% (50m ²)	No

Compliance Assessment

Clause	Compliance with Requirements	Consistency Aims/Objectives
A1.7 Considerations before consent is granted	Yes	Yes
A4.5 Elanora Heights Locality	Yes	Yes
B1.3 Heritage Conservation - General	Yes	Yes
B1.4 Aboriginal Heritage Significance	Yes	Yes
B3.1 Landslip Hazard	Yes	Yes
B3.6 Contaminated Land and Potentially Contaminated Land	Yes	Yes
B4.5 Landscape and Flora and Fauna Enhancement Category 3 Land	Yes	Yes

Clause	Compliance with Requirements	Consistency Aims/Objectives
B8.1 Construction and Demolition - Excavation and Landfill	Yes	Yes
B8.3 Construction and Demolition - Waste Minimisation	Yes	Yes
B8.4 Construction and Demolition - Site Fencing and Security	Yes	Yes
B8.5 Construction and Demolition - Works in the Public Domain	Yes	Yes
C1.1 Landscaping	Yes	Yes
C1.2 Safety and Security	Yes	Yes
C1.3 View Sharing	Yes	Yes
C1.4 Solar Access	Yes	Yes
C1.5 Visual Privacy	No	Yes
C1.6 Acoustic Privacy	Yes	Yes
C1.7 Private Open Space	Yes	Yes
C1.12 Waste and Recycling Facilities	Yes	Yes
C1.13 Pollution Control	Yes	Yes
C1.17 Swimming Pool Safety	Yes	Yes
C1.24 Public Road Reserve - Landscaping and Infrastructure	Yes	Yes
C1.25 Plant, Equipment Boxes and Lift Over-Run	Yes	Yes
D5.1 Character as viewed from a public place (Excluding Elanora Heights Village Centre)	Yes	Yes
D5.3 Building colours and materials (Excluding Elanora Heights Village Centre)	Yes	Yes
D5.5 Front building line (Excluding Elanora Heights Village Centre)	Yes	Yes
D5.6 Side and rear building line (Excluding Elanora Heights Village Centre)	Yes	Yes
D5.9 Landscaped Area - Environmentally Sensitive Land	No	Yes
D5.11 Fences - General (Excluding Elanora Heights Village Centre)	Yes	Yes
D5.13 Construction, Retaining walls, terracing and undercroft areas (Excluding Elanora Heights Village Centre)	Yes	Yes
D5.14 Scenic Protection Category One Area	Yes	Yes

Detailed Assessment

C1.5 Visual Privacy

Merit Consideration

Clause C1.5 Visual Privacy, requires that habitable rooms and outdoor living areas of dwellings optimise visual privacy through an appropriate design outcome. Private open space areas including swimming pools and living rooms of the proposal, and any existing adjoining dwellings are to be protected from direct overlooking within 9 metres, through the use of privacy screens or another similar design element.

The proposed development consists of alterations and additions to the existing dwelling, which includes a swimming pool and elevated deck to the south, with a side setback of 1.1m from the southern

adjoining boundary.

Additional screen planting has been proposed for the full length of the southern edge of the elevated deck and swimming pool area, an ongoing condition of consent has been included to maintain the landscaping, which should be replaced when necessary. The utilisation of screen planting will reduce potential overlooking into the adjoining property, and protect the privacy of the residents of the subject site.

It is not considered that the proposed elevated deck situated towards the front of the dwelling is in need of a privacy screen due to both the lack of windows along the northern elevation of No. 5 Wakooka Avenue and that the location of the deck, being adjacent to the adjoining properties driveway area.

It is noted that only two frosted bathroom windows are located along the northern elevation of neighbouring property No. 5 Wakooka Avenue, the swimming pool that aligns with the beforementioned windows will be protected from the existing boundary fence of approximately 1.8m in height. It can be concluded that privacy would be maintained at a reasonable level within a residential environment.

Subject to recommended conditions, the privacy impacts are considered to be reasonable within a residential environment.

Having regard to the above assessment, it is concluded that the applicable outcomes of the control have been achieved. Therefore, the application is supported on merit.

D5.9 Landscaped Area - Environmentally Sensitive Land

Description of Non-Compliance

Clause D5.9 Landscaped Area - Environmentally Sensitive Land requires a minimum of 60% landscaped area which equates to 503.9m²

The subject site provides a landscaped area of 54% which equates to 453.9m², representing a variation of 10% or 50m² to the requirements of the clause.

Provided that the outcomes of the clause have been achieved, impervious areas up to 6% of the site area can be included in the landscaped area calculation. These include impervious areas less than 1.0m in width and areas used for outdoor recreational purposes. The inclusion of this variation increases the landscaped area to 503.9m² or 60%, presenting a compliant landscaped area.

Merit Consideration

The proposed development will still be considered against the underlying outcomes of the clause as follows:

- ***Achieve the desired future character of the Locality.***

Comment

The proposed landscaped area does not consist of the removal of any significant vegetation species, but rather includes additional planting and extension to the existing rear lawn area. The new vegetation, will compliment the surrounding natural environment and is considered consistent with the desired future character of the Elanora Heights Locality.

- ***The bulk and scale of the built form is minimised.***

Comment

The proposed screen planting will act as a landscape barrier between the southern adjoining property, appropriately screening the swimming pool and associated deck. The retention of the dense landscaping and existing trees located within the front setback area, will prevent the development from being easily viewed from the public domain. This will maintain the perception that the built form is secondary to landscaping, mitigating the bulk and scale when viewed from the public domain and neighbouring properties.

- ***A reasonable level of amenity and solar access is provided and maintained.***

Comment

A reasonable level of amenity and solar access will be maintained for both the residents and adjoining neighbours.

- ***Vegetation is retained and enhanced to visually reduce the built form.***

Comment

The retention of existing vegetation and additional plantings will aid in the enhancement of the existing landscape setting, reducing the built form. The dimensions of the landscaped open space area is sufficient in providing for the new proposed vegetation as noted within the detailed plant schedule on the architectural plan, which will assist in the additional softening and visual relief of the proposed development

- ***Conservation of natural vegetation and biodiversity.***

Comment

Natural vegetation and biodiversity will likely remain unaffected, providing adequate space for future planting and the retention of existing vegetation. Council's Bushland and Biodiversity Officer has reviewed the proposal in relation to biodiversity conservation and found the development to be acceptable, subject to conditions.

- ***Stormwater runoff is reduced, preventing soil erosion and siltation of natural drainage channels.***

Comment

The proposal has been reviewed by Council's Development Engineer, having regard to provisions for Stormwater management and has raised no objections subject to conditions included in the recommendation of this report. Stormwater runoff is not expected result in any unreasonable impacts to soil erosion and siltation of natural drainage channel.

- ***To preserve and enhance the rural and bushland character of the area.***

Comment

The dimensions of the proposed landscape area is sufficient for the preservation of bushland character that may be present in the surrounding vicinity.

- ***Soft surface is maximised to provide for infiltration of water to the water table, minimise run-off and assist with stormwater management.***

Comment

As above, the proposal has been reviewed by Council's Development Engineer, having regard to provisions for Stormwater management and has raised no objections subject to conditions

included in the recommendation of this report.

Having regard to the above assessment, it is concluded that the outcomes of the clause have been achieved. Therefore, the application is supported on merit in this particular circumstance.

THREATENED SPECIES, POPULATIONS OR ECOLOGICAL COMMUNITIES

The proposal will not significantly affect threatened species, populations or ecological communities, or their habitats.

CRIME PREVENTION THROUGH ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN

The proposal is consistent with the principles of Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design.

POLICY CONTROLS

Northern Beaches Section 7.12 Contributions Plan 2022

As the estimated cost of works is less than \$100,001.00 the policy is not applicable to the assessment of this application.

CONCLUSION

The site has been inspected and the application assessed having regard to all documentation submitted by the applicant and the provisions of:

- Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979;
- Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000;
- All relevant and draft Environmental Planning Instruments;
- Pittwater Local Environment Plan;
- Pittwater Development Control Plan; and
- Codes and Policies of Council.

This assessment has taken into consideration the submitted plans, Statement of Environmental Effects, all other documentation supporting the application and public submissions, and does not result in any unreasonable impacts on surrounding, adjoining, adjacent and nearby properties subject to the conditions contained within the recommendation.

In consideration of the proposal and the merit consideration of the development, the proposal is considered to be:

- Consistent with the objectives of the DCP
- Consistent with the zone objectives of the LEP
- Consistent with the aims of the LEP
- Consistent with the objectives of the relevant EPIs
- Consistent with the objects of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979

It is considered that the proposed development satisfies the appropriate controls and that all processes and assessments have been satisfactorily addressed.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council as the consent authority grant Development Consent to DA2022/0516 for Construction of a swimming pool on land at Lot 189 DP 224239, 4 Wakooka Avenue, ELANORA HEIGHTS, subject to the conditions printed below:

DEVELOPMENT CONSENT OPERATIONAL CONDITIONS

1. Approved Plans and Supporting Documentation

The development must be carried out in compliance (except as amended by any other condition of consent) with the following:

a) Approved Plans

Architectural Plans - Endorsed with Council's stamp		
Drawing No.	Dated	Prepared By
L-01 Site Plan/ Site Analysis/ Sedimentation Control Plan (Rev. D)	9 June 2022	Serenscapes Landscape Designs
L-02 Detail Plan (Rev. D)	9 June 2022	Serenscapes Landscape Designs
L-03 Setout Plan (Rev. D)	9 June 2022	Serenscapes Landscape Designs
L-04 Sectional Elevations (Rev. D)	9 June 2022	Serenscapes Landscape Designs
L-05 Sectional Elevation (Rev. D)	9 June 2022	Serenscapes Landscape Designs
L-06 Sectional Elevation (Rev. D)	9 June 2022	Serenscapes Landscape Designs

Reports / Documentation – All recommendations and requirements contained within:		
Report No. / Page No. / Section No.	Dated	Prepared By
Bushfire Assessment Statement (#220857)	22 March 2022	Bushfire Hazard Solutions Pty Ltd.
Geotechnical Assessment (#AG 22054)	23 March 2022	Ascent Geo Consulting Geotechnical Engineers

b) Any plans and / or documentation submitted to satisfy the Conditions of this consent.

c) The development is to be undertaken generally in accordance with the following:

Waste Management Plan		
Drawing No/Title.	Dated	Prepared By
Waste Management Plan	24 March 2022	Serenescapes Landscape Designs Pty Ltd.

In the event of any inconsistency between conditions of this consent and the drawings/documents referred to above, the conditions of this consent will prevail.

Reason: To ensure the work is carried out in accordance with the determination of Council and approved plans.

2. **Compliance with Other Department, Authority or Service Requirements**

The development must be carried out in compliance with all recommendations and requirements, excluding general advice, within the following:

Other Department, Authority or Service	EDMS Reference	Dated
Ausgrid	Response Ausgrid Referral	10 May 2022

(NOTE: For a copy of the above referenced document/s, please see Application Tracking on Council's website www.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au)

Reason: To ensure the work is carried out in accordance with the determination and the statutory requirements of other departments, authorities or bodies.

3. **Prescribed Conditions**

- (a) All building works must be carried out in accordance with the requirements of the Building Code of Australia (BCA).
- (b) BASIX affected development must comply with the schedule of BASIX commitments specified within the submitted BASIX Certificate (demonstrated compliance upon plans/specifications is required prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate);
- (c) A sign must be erected in a prominent position on any site on which building work, subdivision work or demolition work is being carried out:
 - (i) showing the name, address and telephone number of the Principal Certifying Authority for the work, and
 - (ii) showing the name of the principal contractor (if any) for any building work and a telephone number on which that person may be contacted outside working hours, and
 - (iii) stating that unauthorised entry to the work site is prohibited.

Any such sign is to be maintained while the building work, subdivision work or demolition work is being carried out, but must be removed when the work has been completed.
- (d) Residential building work within the meaning of the Home Building Act 1989 must not be carried out unless the Principal Certifying Authority for the development to which the work relates (not being the Council) has given the Council written notice of the following information:
 - (i) in the case of work for which a principal contractor is required to be appointed:
 - A. the name and licence number of the principal contractor, and
 - B. the name of the insurer by which the work is insured under Part 6 of that Act,
 - (ii) in the case of work to be done by an owner-builder:
 - A. the name of the owner-builder, and
 - B. if the owner-builder is required to hold an owner-builder permit under that Act, the number of the owner-builder permit.

If arrangements for doing the residential building work are changed while the work is in progress so that the information notified under becomes out of date, further work must not be carried out unless the Principal Certifying Authority for the development to which the work relates (not being the Council) has given the Council written notice of the updated information.

- (e) Development that involves an excavation that extends below the level of the base of the footings of a building on adjoining land, the person having the benefit of the development consent must, at the person's own expense:
- (i) protect and support the adjoining premises from possible damage from the excavation, and
 - (ii) where necessary, underpin the adjoining premises to prevent any such damage.
 - (iii) must, at least 7 days before excavating below the level of the base of the footings of a building on an adjoining allotment of land, give notice of intention to do so to the owner of the adjoining allotment of land and furnish particulars of the excavation to the owner of the building being erected or demolished.
 - (iv) the owner of the adjoining allotment of land is not liable for any part of the cost of work carried out for the purposes of this clause, whether carried out on the allotment of land being excavated or on the adjoining allotment of land.

In this clause, allotment of land includes a public road and any other public place.

Reason: Legislative requirement.

4. **General Requirements**

- (a) Unless authorised by Council:
Building construction and delivery of material hours are restricted to:

- 7.00 am to 5.00 pm inclusive Monday to Friday,
- 8.00 am to 1.00 pm inclusive on Saturday,
- No work on Sundays and Public Holidays.

Demolition and excavation works are restricted to:

- 8.00 am to 5.00 pm Monday to Friday only.

(Excavation work includes the use of any excavation machinery and the use of jackhammers, rock breakers, excavators, loaders and the like, regardless of whether the activities disturb or alter the natural state of the existing ground stratum or are breaking up/removing materials from the site).

- (b) Should any asbestos be uncovered on site, its demolition and removal must be carried out in accordance with WorkCover requirements and the relevant Australian Standards.
- (c) At all times after the submission the Notice of Commencement to Council, a copy of the Development Consent and Construction Certificate is to remain onsite at all times until the issue of a final Occupation Certificate. The consent shall be available for perusal of any Authorised Officer.
- (d) Where demolition works have been completed and new construction works have not commenced within 4 weeks of the completion of the demolition works that area affected by the demolition works shall be fully stabilised and the site must be

maintained in a safe and clean state until such time as new construction works commence.

- (e) Onsite toilet facilities (being either connected to the sewer or an accredited sewer management facility) for workers are to be provided for construction sites at a rate of 1 per 20 persons.
- (f) Prior to the release of the Construction Certificate, payment of the Long Service Levy is required. This payment can be made at Council or to the Long Services Payments Corporation. Payment is not required where the value of the works is less than \$25,000. The Long Service Levy is calculated on 0.35% of the building and construction work. The levy rate and level in which it applies is subject to legislative change. The applicable fee at the time of payment of the Long Service Levy will apply.
- (g) The applicant shall bear the cost of all works associated with the development that occurs on Council's property.
- (h) No skip bins, building materials, demolition or excavation waste of any nature, and no hoist, plant or machinery (crane, concrete pump or lift) shall be placed on Council's footpaths, roadways, parks or grass verges without Council Approval.
- (i) Demolition materials and builders' wastes are to be removed to approved waste/recycling centres.
- (j) No trees or native shrubs or understorey vegetation on public property (footpaths, roads, reserves, etc.) or on the land to be developed shall be removed or damaged during construction unless specifically approved in this consent including for the erection of any fences, hoardings or other temporary works.
- (k) Prior to the commencement of any development onsite for:
 - i) Building/s that are to be erected
 - ii) Building/s that are situated in the immediate vicinity of a public place and is dangerous to persons or property on or in the public place
 - iii) Building/s that are to be demolished
 - iv) For any work/s that is to be carried out
 - v) For any work/s that is to be demolished

The person responsible for the development site is to erect or install on or around the development area such temporary structures or appliances (wholly within the development site) as are necessary to protect persons or property and to prevent unauthorised access to the site in order for the land or premises to be maintained in a safe or healthy condition. Upon completion of the development, such temporary structures or appliances are to be removed within 7 days.

- (l) A "Road Opening Permit" must be obtained from Council, and all appropriate charges paid, prior to commencement of any work on Council property. The owner/applicant shall be responsible for all public utilities and services in the area of the work, shall notify all relevant Authorities, and bear all costs associated with any repairs and/or adjustments as those Authorities may deem necessary.
- (m) The works must comply with the relevant Ausgrid Network Standards and SafeWork NSW Codes of Practice.
- (n) Requirements for new swimming pools/spas or existing swimming pools/spas affected by building works.
 - (1) Child resistant fencing is to be provided to any swimming pool or lockable cover to any spa containing water and is to be consistent with the following;

Relevant legislative requirements and relevant Australian Standards (including but not limited) to:

- (i) Swimming Pools Act 1992
 - (ii) Swimming Pools Amendment Act 2009
 - (iii) Swimming Pools Regulation 2018
 - (iv) Australian Standard AS1926 Swimming Pool Safety
 - (v) Australian Standard AS1926.1 Part 1: Safety barriers for swimming pools
 - (vi) Australian Standard AS1926.2 Part 2: Location of safety barriers for swimming pools.
- (2) A 'KEEP WATCH' pool safety and aquatic based emergency sign, issued by Royal Life Saving is to be displayed in a prominent position within the pool/spa area.
 - (3) Filter backwash waters shall be conveyed to the Sydney Water sewerage system in sewered areas or managed on-site in unsewered areas in a manner that does not cause pollution, erosion or run off, is separate from the irrigation area for any wastewater system and is separate from any onsite stormwater management system.
 - (4) Swimming pools and spas must be registered with the Division of Local Government.

Reason: To ensure that works do not interfere with reasonable amenity expectations of residents and the community.

FEES / CHARGES / CONTRIBUTIONS

5. Security Bond

A bond (determined from cost of works) of \$1,500 and an inspection fee in accordance with Council's Fees and Charges paid as security are required to ensure the rectification of any damage that may occur to the Council infrastructure contained within the road reserve adjoining the site as a result of construction or the transportation of materials and equipment to and from the development site.

An inspection fee in accordance with Council adopted fees and charges (at the time of payment) is payable for each kerb inspection as determined by Council (minimum (1) one inspection).

All bonds and fees shall be deposited with Council prior to Construction Certificate or demolition work commencing, and details demonstrating payment are to be submitted to the Certifying Authority prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

To process the inspection fee and bond payment a Bond Lodgement Form must be completed with the payments (a copy of the form is attached to this consent and alternatively a copy is located on Council's website at www.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au).

Reason: To ensure adequate protection of Council's infrastructure.

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

6. Geotechnical Report Recommendations have been Incorporated into Designs and Structural Plans

The recommendations of the risk assessment required to manage the hazards as identified in the Geotechnical Report prepared by Ascentgeo consulting Engineers dated 23 March 2022 are to be incorporated into the construction plans. Prior to issue of the Construction Certificate, Form 2 of the Geotechnical Risk Management Policy for Pittwater (Appendix 5 of P21 DCP) is to be completed and submitted to the Accredited Certifier. Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Principal Certifying Authority prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

Reason: To ensure geotechnical risk is mitigated appropriately.

7. Amendments to the approved plans

The following amendments are to be made to the approved plans:

- The undercroft area of the elevated deck is to be fully enclosed (but can be accessible by an access door) along both the southern and eastern elevations , utilising building elements such as timber (or similar) to compliment the existing house and proposed development.

Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Certifying Authority prior to the issue of the construction certificate.

Reason: To ensure development minimises unreasonable impacts upon surrounding land.

8. Compliance with Standards

The development is required to be carried out in accordance with all relevant Australian Standards.

Details demonstrating compliance with the relevant Australian Standard are to be submitted to the Certifying Authority prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

Reason: To ensure the development is constructed in accordance with appropriate standards.

9. External Finishes

The external colours and finishes shall incorporate a medium to dark range (BCA classification M and D) in order to harmonise with the natural environment, ensuring that visual prominence of the development is minimised.

Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Certifying Authority prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

Reason: To ensure building colours and materials compliment and enhances the visual character the existing location.

CONDITIONS TO BE COMPLIED WITH DURING DEMOLITION AND BUILDING WORK

10. Tree and Vegetation Protection

- a) Existing trees and vegetation shall be retained and protected, including:
 - i) all trees and vegetation within the site, excluding exempt trees and vegetation under the relevant planning instruments of legislation,
 - ii) all trees and vegetation located on adjoining properties,
 - iii) all road reserve trees and vegetation.

b) Tree protection shall be undertaken as follows:

- i) tree protection shall be in accordance with Australian Standard 4970-2009 Protection of Trees on Development Sites, including the provision of temporary fencing to protect existing trees within 5 metres of development,
- ii) existing ground levels shall be maintained within the tree protection zone of trees to be retained, unless authorised by an Arborist with minimum AQF Level 5 in arboriculture,
- iii) removal of existing tree roots at or >25mm (Ø) diameter is not permitted without consultation with an Arborist with minimum AQF Level 5 in arboriculture,
- iv) no excavated material, building material storage, site facilities, nor landscape materials are to be placed within the canopy dripline of trees and other vegetation required to be retained,
- v) structures are to bridge tree roots at or >25mm (Ø) diameter unless directed by an Arborist with minimum AQF Level 5 in arboriculture on site,
- vi) excavation for stormwater lines and all other utility services is not permitted within the tree protection zone, without consultation with an Arborist with minimum AQF Level 5 in arboriculture including advice on root protection measures,
- vii) should either or all of v) or vi) occur during site establishment and construction works, an Arborist with minimum AQF Level 5 in arboriculture shall provide recommendations for tree protection measures. Details including photographic evidence of works undertaken shall be submitted by the Arborist to the Certifying Authority,
- viii) any temporary access to, or location of scaffolding within the tree protection zone of a protected tree or any other tree to be retained during the construction works is to be undertaken using the protection measures specified in sections 4.5.3 and 4.5.6 of Australian Standard 4970-2009 Protection of Trees on Development Sites,
- ix) tree pruning from within the site to enable approved works shall not exceed 10% of any tree canopy, and shall be in accordance with Australian Standard 4373-2007 Pruning of Amenity Trees, and should additional pruning be required an application to Council's Tree Services shall be submitted for approval or otherwise.

The Certifying Authority must ensure that:

- c) The activities listed in section 4.2 of Australian Standard 4970-2009 Protection of Trees on Development Sites, do not occur within the tree protection zone of any tree, and any temporary access to, or location of scaffolding within the tree protection zone of a protected tree, or any other tree to be retained on the site during the construction, is undertaken using the protection measures specified in sections 4.5.3 and 4.5.6 of that standard.

Note: All street trees within the road verge and trees within private property are protected under Northern Beaches Council development control plans, except where Council's written consent for removal has been obtained. The felling, lopping, topping, ringbarking, or removal of any tree (s) is prohibited.

Reason: Tree and vegetation protection.

11. **Road Reserve**

The applicant shall ensure the public footways and roadways adjacent to the site are maintained in a safe condition at all times during the course of the work.

Reason: Public safety.

12. **Survey Certificate**

A survey certificate prepared by a Registered Surveyor is to be provided demonstrating all perimeter walls columns and or other structural elements, floor levels and the finished roof/ridge height are in accordance with the approved plans.

Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Principal Certifying Authority.

Reason: To demonstrate the proposal complies with the approved plans.

13. **Wildlife Protection**

If construction activity associated with this development results in injury or displacement of a native mammal, bird, reptile or amphibian, a registered wildlife rescue and rehabilitation organisation must be contacted for advice.

Reason: To protect native wildlife.

CONDITIONS WHICH MUST BE COMPLIED WITH PRIOR TO THE ISSUE OF THE OCCUPATION CERTIFICATE

14. **Landscape Completion**

Landscape works are to be implemented in accordance with the approved Plans.

Prior to the issue of an Occupation Certificate, details shall be submitted to the Certifying Authority, certifying that the landscape works have been completed in accordance with any conditions of consent.

Reason: Environmental amenity.

15. **No Weeds Imported On To The Site**

No Priority or environmental weeds (as specified in the Northern Beaches Local Weed Management Plan 2019 – 2023) are to be imported on to the site prior to or during construction works.

Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Principal Certifying Authority prior to issue of any Occupation Certificate.

Reason: To reduce the risk of site works contributing to spread of Priority and environmental weeds.

16. **Geotechnical Certification Prior to Occupation Certificate**

The Applicant is to submit the completed Form 3 of the Geotechnical Risk Management Policy (Appendix 5 of P21 DCP) to the Principal Certifying Authority prior to issue of the Occupation Certificate.

Reason: To ensure geotechnical risk is mitigated appropriately.

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

17. **Landscape Maintenance**

If any landscape materials/components or planting under this consent fails, they are to be replaced with similar materials/components. Trees, shrubs and groundcovers required to be planted under this consent are to be mulched, watered and fertilised as required at the time of planting.

If any tree, shrub or groundcover required to be planted under this consent fails, they are to be replaced with similar species to maintain the landscape theme and be generally in accordance

with the approved Landscape Plan and any conditions of consent.

All weeds are to be removed and controlled in accordance with the NSW Biosecurity Act 2015.

Reason: To maintain local environmental amenity.

18. **Protection of Habitat Features**

All natural landscape features, including any rock outcrops, native vegetation, soil and/or watercourses, are to remain undisturbed except where affected by necessary works detailed on approved plans.

Reason: To protect wildlife habitat.

19. **Swimming Pool/Spa Motor Noise**

The swimming pool / spa motor shall not produce noise levels that exceed 5dBA above the background noise when measured from the nearest property boundary.

Reason: To ensure that the development does not impact on the acoustic privacy of surrounding residential properties.

In signing this report, I declare that I do not have a Conflict of Interest.

Signed



Brittany Harrison, Planner

The application is determined on 24/06/2022, under the delegated authority of:



Steven Findlay, Manager Development Assessments