

Natural Environment Referral Response - Biodiversity

Application Number:	DA2021/0356
Date:	22/04/2021
Responsible Officer	Alex Keller
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 87 DP 70416, 32 Reddall Street 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 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 application is supported by a Biodiversity Assessment that has assessed the site values, assessed the impacts of the development and provided a range of suitable impact mitigation measures. The report has considered the relevant biodiversity planning controls, and assessed the potential impact of the development to the endangered population of Long-nosed bandicoots. While there is a reduction in total landscaped area, mitigation measures regarding maintained or improved access and connectivity as well as landscape requirements are provided. The report concludes that a significant impact to the endangered population is unlikely.

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

Compliance with Ecologist's Recommendations – Pre-construction

All pre-construction biodiversity-related measures specified in the Terrestrial Biodiversity Report (GIS Environmental 25 February 2021) and these conditions of consent are to be implemented at the appropriate stage of the development. Compliance with pre-construction measures are to be certified by the Project Ecologist and provided to the Certifying Authority prior to issue of the Construction Certificate.

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Reason: To confirm compliance with wildlife and habitat protection/replacement measures.

Engagement of Project Ecologist

A Project Ecologist is to be employed for the duration of the approved works to ensure all biodiversity protection measures are carried out in accordance with the Terrestrial Biodiversity Report (GIS Environmental 25 Feb 2021).

The Project Ecologist must have one of the following memberships / accreditation:

- Practising member of the NSW Ecological Consultants Association (https://www.ecansw.org.au/find-a-consultant/) OR
- Biodiversity Assessment Method Accredited Assessor under the relevant legislation (https://customer.lmbc.nsw.gov.au/assessment/AccreditedAssessor)

Evidence of engagement of the Project Ecologist is to be provided to the Certifying Authority Prior to issue of Construction Certificate.

Reason: To protect native vegetation and wildlife.

CONDITIONS THAT MUST BE ADDRESSED PRIOR TO ANY COMMENCEMENT

Compliance with Ecologist's Recommendations – During Construction

All biodiversity-related measures are to be implemented during construction in accordance with the Terrestrial Biodiversity Report.

Compliance with these measures is to be certified by the Project Ecologist in writing to the Principal Certifying Authority.

Reason: To confirm compliance with wildlife and habitat protection/replacement measures.

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

Compliance with Ecologist's Recommendations – Post Construction

All biodiversity-related measures are to be implemented at the appropriate stage of development in accordance with the Terrestrial Biodiversity Report.

Satisfactory establishment/initiation of post-construction measures is to be certified by the Project Ecologist and provided to the Principal Certifying Authority prior to issue of any Occupation Certificate.

Reason: To confirm compliance with wildlife and habitat protection/replacement measures.

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.

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

Control of Domestic Dogs/Cats

Domestic dogs and cats are to be kept from entering wildlife habitat areas at all times.

Dogs and cats are to be kept in an enclosed area and/or inside the dwelling, or on a leash such that they cannot enter areas of wildlife habitat, bushland or foreshore unrestrained, on the site or on surrounding properties or reserves.

Reason: To protect native wildlife in accordance.

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