

DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION ASSESSMENT REPORT

Application Number:	DA2024/1613
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Responsible Officer:	Julie Edwards
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 25 DP 7912, 9 Coles Road FRESHWATER NSW 2096
Proposed Development:	Use of existing garage as a studio (home office) and alterations and additions to existing driveway to create a hardstand car parking area
Zoning:	Warringah LEP2011 - Land zoned R2 Low Density Residential
Development Permissible:	Yes
Existing Use Rights:	No
Consent Authority:	Northern Beaches Council
Land and Environment Court Action:	No
Applicant:	Boston Blyth Fleming Pty Ltd

Application Lodged:	07/01/2025
Integrated Development:	No
Designated Development:	No
State Reporting Category:	Residential - Alterations and additions
Notified:	17/01/2025 to 31/01/2025
Advertised:	Not Advertised
Submissions Received:	1
Clause 4.6 Variation:	Nil
Recommendation:	Approval

Estimated Cost of Works:	\$ 13,750.00
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PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT IN DETAIL

The application seeks approval for the following:

- Conversion of the garage into a home office space,
- Widening of the driveway to accommodate 2 hardstand parking spaces.

Planners Note:

The application, as lodged, did not comply with front boundary setback or Landscape open space requirements of the WDCP. The applicant was requested to provide amended plans reducing the non-compliances.

The applicant submitted amended plans that addressed Council's concerns.

In accordance with Council's Community Participating Plan, the application was not re-notified as it was reducing the environmental impact. However, the amended plans were sent to the objector for review and further comment. No additional comments were received.

The application was assessed based on the amended plans by HSA Architects dated 3 April 2025.

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

Warringah Development Control Plan - B5 Side Boundary Setbacks

Warringah Development Control Plan - B7 Front Boundary Setbacks

Warringah Development Control Plan - D1 Landscaped Open Space and Bushland Setting

SITE DESCRIPTION

Property Description:	Lot 25 DP 7912 , 9 Coles Road FRESHWATER NSW 2096
Detailed Site Description:	<p>The subject site consists of one allotment located on the northern side of Coles Road, Freshwater.</p> <p>The site is regular in shape with a frontage of 12.19m along Coles Road and a depth of 45.265m. The site has a surveyed area of 551.8m².</p> <p>The site is located within the R2 Low Density Residential zone and accommodates 2 Storey dwelling with detached garage and swimming pool.</p> <p>The front of the site is relatively flat.</p>

The site has lawn area at the front and rear and trees and shrubs along the boundaries. There are no threatened species on site.

Detailed Description of Adjoining/Surrounding Development

Adjoining and surrounding development is characterised by residential dwellings of varying architectural styles.

Site Inspection

A site inspection was undertaken 10 February 2025.

Map:



SITE HISTORY

The land has been used for residential purposes for an extended period of time. A search of Council's records has revealed the following relevant history:

Application DA2011/0691

Alterations and additions to a dwelling house
Determined - 10/08/2011

Application CDC2018/0280

Ancillary development - swimming pool
Determined - 29/03/2018

A compliant was raised with Council, that works to the garage were being undertaken on the site without approval. An investigation from Council, concluded that no approval was sort for the works. A Notice of Intention to Issue an Order was issued 14 October 2024. In response to the 'Order' the applicant lodged a Building Identification Certificate (BC2024/0309), which is currently under assessment, and this Development Application to rectify the issue.

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	There are no current draft environmental planning instruments.
Section 4.15 (1) (a)(iii) – Provisions of any development control plan	Warringah 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 2021 (EP&A Regulation 2021)	<p><u>Part 4, Division 2</u> of the EP&A Regulation 2021 requires the consent authority to consider "Prescribed conditions" of development consent. These matters have been addressed via a condition of consent.</p> <p><u>Clauses 36 and 94</u> of the EP&A Regulation 2021 allow Council to request additional information. Additional information was requested in relation to the location of the car parking and landscape open space non-compliance.</p> <p><u>Clause 61</u> of the EP&A Regulation 2021 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>Clause 69</u> of the EP&A Regulation 2021 requires the consent authority to consider insurance requirements under the Home Building Act 1989. This matter has been addressed via a condition of consent.</p> <p><u>Clause 69</u> of the EP&A Regulation 2021 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>
Section 4.15 (1) (b) – the likely impacts of the development, including environmental impacts on the natural and built environment and social and economic impacts in the locality	<p>(i) Environmental Impact The environmental impacts of the proposed development on the natural and built environment are addressed under the Warringah Development Control Plan section in this report.</p> <p>(ii) Social Impact The proposed development will not have a detrimental social impact</p>

Section 4.15 Matters for Consideration	Comments
	in the locality considering the character of the proposal. (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.
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 not classified as bush fire prone land.

NOTIFICATION & SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED

The subject application has been publicly exhibited from 17/01/2025 to 31/01/2025 in accordance with the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021 and the Community Participation Plan.

As a result of the public exhibition process council is in receipt of 1 submission/s from:

Name:	Address:
Withheld	FRESHWATER NSW 2096

The following issues were raised in the submissions:

- Unlawful Building Works and Misrepresentation
- Material Non-Compliance
- Issues relating the construction of the Studio
- Noise impacts
- Diminution of Property Value
- Location of parking

The above issues are addressed as follows:

- **Unlawful Building Works and Misrepresentation**

The submissions raised concerns that the studio was built without approval.

Comment:

The application is for the use of an existing structure as a studio, new driveway and carparking. The issues relating to the unlawful works and misrepresentation of the garage structure are a matter for the Building Certificate. A condition will be included in the consent requiring the approval of a Building Certificate before the Development Application can be activated.

- **Material Non-Compliance**

The submissions raised concerns that the proposal had several built form non-compliances - front boundary setback, side boundary setback and landscape open space.

Comment:

The non-compliances with the built form controls have been addressed under the relevant sections of the report. In summary, The non-compliance with the front and side boundary setback controls are existing. The non-compliance with the landscaped open space requirement is a result of the driveway being slightly increased in size to accommodate two car parking space behind the front building line. It has been determined that the non-compliances are acceptable and will not result in unreasonable impacts on the amenity of the adjoining properties.

- **Issues relating the construction of the Studio**

The submissions raised concerns that the garage, which is the subject of a Building Certificate, was not built in accordance with the Building Code of Australia and Australian Standards.

Comment:

Concerns relating to the works already undertaken on the garage are a matter for the assessment of the Building Certificate. The assessment of the Building Certificate will require evidence that all works have been undertaken in accordance with all relevant standards.

- **Noise impacts**

The submissions raised concerns that the location of the studio will result in unreasonable noise impacts on the adjoining property.

Comment:

The studio is not anticipated to make noise above standard residential use. There are no windows located along the western elevation of the garage, which faces the adjoining property at no. 11 Coles Road. The structure is also separated from the adjoining dwelling by 2.2m. The existing separation, no windows along the adjoining elevation and intended use of the structure should not result in unreasonable noise impacts on the adjoining dwellings.

- **Diminution of Property Value**

The submissions raised concerns that allowing a non-compliant and potentially unsafe structure will negatively impact the resale value of my property.

Comment:

Property value is not a planning consideration.

- **Location of parking**

The submissions raised concerns with the location of the proposed carparking and requested the garage be reinstated to a garage.

Comment:

The application as lodged, proposed car parking with the front boundary setback. The applicant was requested to move the carparking to behind the existing front building line. The amended plans moved the car parking further within the site and in line with the existing garage. The location of the amended car parking has been discussed later in the report. In summary, the proposed location of the car parking is considered acceptable and meets the objectives of the control.

REFERRALS

Internal Referral Body	Comments
NECC (Development Engineering)	<p>28/04/2025</p> <p><u>Development Engineering 2nd Referral Comments.</u></p> <p><u>Council's Development Engineer raises no objection to this proposal subject to conditions.</u></p> <p>Site Access and Parking</p> <p>The proposed parking spaces are relocated, which is generally satisfactory subject to updated conditions.</p> <p>10/01/2025</p> <p><u>Development Engineering 1st Referral Comments.</u></p> <p><u>Council's Development Engineer raises no objection to this proposal subject to conditions.</u></p> <p>Stormwater</p> <p>Given the proposed scope of works, it has been conditioned that stormwater discharge from the proposed development is to be in accordance with Council's Water Management Policy for a low level property.</p> <p>Site Access and Parking</p> <p>The submitted driveway long-sections depict generally compliant driveway and parking slab gradients.</p>

External Referral Body	Comments
Ausgrid - SEPP (Transport and Infrastructure) 2021, s2.48	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.

ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING INSTRUMENTS (EPIs)*

All, Environmental Planning Instruments (SEPPs 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 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.

Warringah Local Environmental Plan 2011

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	Complies
Height of Buildings:	8.5m	3.9m	Yes

Compliance Assessment

Clause	Compliance with Requirements
4.3 Height of buildings	Yes
6.2 Earthworks	Yes
6.4 Development on sloping land	Yes

Warringah Development Control Plan

Built Form Controls

Built Form Control	Requirement	Proposed	% Variation*	Complies
B1 Wall height	7.2m	2.5m	N/A	Yes
B3 Side Boundary Envelope	East - 5m	Within envelope	N/A	Yes
	West - 5m	Within envelope	N/A	Yes
B5 Side Boundary Setbacks	East - 0.9m	Studio - 6.8m Hardstand - 0.9m	N/A N/A	Yes Yes
	West - 0.9m	Studio - 0.2m Hardstand - 5.3m	77.7% N/A	No Yes
B7 Front Boundary Setbacks	6.5m	Studio - 5.3m Hardstand - 5.3	18.5% 18.5%	No No
B9 Rear Boundary Setbacks	6m	No change	N/A	Yes
D1 Landscaped Open Space (LOS) and Bushland Setting	40%	36.1% (199.2m ²)	9.75%	No

Compliance Assessment

Clause	Compliance with Requirements	Consistency Aims/Objectives
A.5 Objectives	Yes	Yes
B1 Wall Heights	Yes	Yes
B3 Side Boundary Envelope	Yes	Yes

Clause	Compliance with Requirements	Consistency Aims/Objectives
B5 Side Boundary Setbacks	No	Yes
B7 Front Boundary Setbacks	No	Yes
B9 Rear Boundary Setbacks	Yes	Yes
C2 Traffic, Access and Safety	Yes	Yes
C3 Parking Facilities	Yes	Yes
C4 Stormwater	Yes	Yes
C7 Excavation and Landfill	Yes	Yes
C8 Demolition and Construction	Yes	Yes
C9 Waste Management	Yes	Yes
D1 Landscaped Open Space and Bushland Setting	No	Yes
D2 Private Open Space	Yes	Yes
D3 Noise	Yes	Yes
D8 Privacy	Yes	Yes
D10 Building Colours and Materials	Yes	Yes
D20 Safety and Security	Yes	Yes
E10 Landslip Risk	Yes	Yes

Detailed Assessment

B5 Side Boundary Setbacks

Description of non-compliance

The proposed studio is located 0.16 - 0.24m from the side boundary.

The control requires structures to be located a minimum of 0.9m from the side boundary.

Merit consideration

With regard to the consideration for a variation, the development is considered against the underlying Objectives of the Control as follows:

- To provide opportunities for deep soil landscape areas.*
Comment:
The site does not meet the Landscaped Open Space requirements of the WDCP. A condition is recommended requiring the concrete hardstand area to have a minimum setback of 2m to the western side boundary. The 2m setback provides additional landscaped area (26.8m²) that can be included in the landscape calculation and will give the site a landscaped open space of 41.99% (192m²), which complies with the requirement. It is considered that the site will have adequate opportunities for deep soil landscaped areas.
- To ensure that development does not become visually dominant.*

Comment:

The encroachment into the side setback is for a single storey secondary dwelling, which has replaced the existing garage in the same location. The proposal complies with the height control of the WLEP, the side boundary envelope and wall height requirements of the WDCP. The proposal is consistent with the adjoining properties to the east and west which also have structures in similar locations. The location and design of the proposal will ensure that development does not become visually dominant.

- *To ensure that the scale and bulk of buildings is minimised.*

Comment:

The proposed studio is a single storey structure with a low sloping roof. The proposal is located within the existing garage. The development will retain the bulk and scale of the surrounding development and ensures that the scale and bulk of the side boundary encroachment is minimised.

- *To provide adequate separation between buildings to ensure a reasonable level of privacy, amenity and solar access is maintained.*

Comment:

The proposed studio provides adequate separation between buildings and ensures a reasonable level of privacy, amenity and solar access is maintained.

- *To provide reasonable sharing of views to and from public and private properties.*

Comment:

The encroachment into the western side boundary setback will not exacerbate any view loss from adjoining properties and will provide a reasonable sharing of views to and from public and private properties.

Having regard to the above assessment, it is concluded that the proposed development is consistent with the relevant objectives of WDCP and the objectives specified in s1.3 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979. Accordingly, this assessment finds that the proposal is supported, in this particular circumstance.

B7 Front Boundary Setbacks

Description of non-compliance

The car parking area and proposed studio is located 5.3m from the front boundary.

The control requires a 6.5m front setback that is to be landscaped and generally free of any structures, basements, carparking or site facilities other than driveways, letter boxes, garbage storage areas and fences.

Merit consideration:

With regard to the consideration for a variation, the development is considered against the underlying Objectives of the Control as follows:

- *To create a sense of openness.*

Comment:

The proposed studio will be located inside the existing double garage and will maintain the existing setback to the front boundary. The proposed encroachment into the front building line includes an open car parking space. The parking space will be located behind the front building line and will not reduce the sense of openness at the front of the site.

- *To maintain the visual continuity and pattern of buildings and landscape elements.*

Comment:

In the immediate vicinity of the site, car parking is located behind the front building line. The recommended location of car parking on the site will maintain the visual continuity and pattern of buildings and landscape elements.

- *To protect and enhance the visual quality of streetscapes and public spaces.*

Comment:

Locating the car parking behind the front building line will allow landscaping to be the main feature at the front of the site. This will maintain the visual quality of the streetscape.

- *To achieve reasonable view sharing.*

Comment:

The proposed setback will not impact on existing views from nearby private and public land.

Having regard to the above assessment, it is concluded that the proposed development is consistent with the relevant objectives of WDCP and the objectives specified in s1.3 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979. Accordingly, this assessment finds that the proposal is supported, in this particular circumstance.

D1 Landscaped Open Space and Bushland Setting

Description of non-compliance

The proposed development will provide a landscaped open space of 36.1% (199.2m²). The control requires a minimum of 40% landscaped open space.

The existing site has a landscaped area of 36.6% (202.5m²).

Merit consideration

With regard to the consideration for a variation, the development is considered against the underlying Objectives of the Control as follows:

- *To enable planting to maintain and enhance the streetscape.*

Comment:

The primary front setback area provides adequate landscaped area to accommodate planting consistent with the surrounding streetscape.

- *To conserve and enhance indigenous vegetation, topographical features and habitat for wildlife.*

Comment:

The site is not known to have any Indigenous vegetation or significant topographical features. While the proposal will result in the removal of a small area of lawn, there remains ample vegetation throughout the front and rear yards that can provide habitat for wildlife.

- *To provide for landscaped open space with dimensions that are sufficient to enable the establishment of low lying shrubs, medium high shrubs and canopy trees of a size and density to mitigate the height, bulk and scale of the building.*

Comment:

The proposed landscape open space includes retention of existing garden beds, trees, and grass areas. The proposal includes sufficient dimensions to maintain the existing grass areas and plantings on site.

- *To enhance privacy between buildings.*

Comment:

The landscape open space variation will not give rise to privacy impacts between buildings. The proposal includes adequate landscaping along the side boundaries to enhance privacy between properties.

- *To accommodate appropriate outdoor recreational opportunities that meet the needs of the occupants.*

Comment:

Sufficient dimensions of LOS are provided to adequately accommodate for the outdoor recreational needs of the occupants.

- *To provide space for service functions, including clothes drying.*

Comment:

The site will retain satisfactory space for service functions, including clothes drying.

- *To facilitate water management, including on-site detention and infiltration of stormwater.*

Comment:

Conditions of consent will be imposed which ensure stormwater from the new development is disposed of to an existing approved system or in accordance with Northern Beaches Council's Water Management Policy and comply with the relevant Australian Standards and Codes. It is not considered the non-compliance will result in adverse stormwater runoff.

Having regard to the above assessment, it is concluded that the proposed development is consistent with the relevant objectives of WDCP and the objectives specified in s1.3 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979. Accordingly, this assessment finds that the proposal is supported, 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 2024

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 2021;
- All relevant and draft Environmental Planning Instruments;
- Warringah Local Environment Plan;
- Warringah 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 DA2024/1613 for Use of existing garage as a studio (home office) and alterations and additions to existing driveway to create a hardstand car parking area on land at Lot 25 DP 7912, 9 Coles Road, FRESHWATER, subject to the conditions printed below:

Terms and Reasons for Conditions

Under section 88(1)(c) of the EP&A Regulation, the consent authority must provide the terms of all conditions and reasons for imposing the conditions other than the conditions prescribed under section 4.17(11) of the EP&A Act. The terms of the conditions and reasons are set out below.

DEFERRED COMMENCEMENT CONDITIONS

1. Building Information Certificate for Unauthorised Works

An application for a Building Information Certificate is to be lodged and approved for the unauthorised structure before this consent can become operational.

Reason: To regularise unauthorised development.

Evidence required to satisfy these conditions must be submitted to Council (through the NSW Planning Portal) within two (2) years of the date of this consent, or the consent will lapse in accordance with the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation.

Applicants must submit a request for operational consent to Council via the NSW Planning Portal and upload all relevant documentation. This can be completed through accessing the relevant portal application ID and navigating to 'Request for Operational Consent' in the Actions dropdown menu.

Upon satisfaction of the deferred commencement condition/s, the following conditions apply:

GENERAL CONDITIONS

2. Approved Plans and Supporting Documentation

Development must be carried out in accordance with the following approved plans (stamped by Council) and supporting documentation, except where the conditions of this consent expressly require otherwise.

Approved Plans				
Plan Number	Revision Number	Plan Title	Drawn By	Date of Plan
101224.01	D	Plans & Elevations	HSA Architects	3.4.25
101224.02	B	Proposed Driveway Plan	HSA Architects	3.4.25
101224.03	B	Proposed Driveway Sections	HSA Architects	3.4.25

Approved Reports and Documentation			
Document Title	Version Number	Prepared By	Date of Document
Waste Management Plan	-	-	-

In the event of any inconsistency between the approved plans, reports and documentation, the approved plans prevail.

In the event of any inconsistency between the approved plans and a condition of this consent, the condition prevails.

Reason: To ensure all parties are aware of the approved plans and supporting documentation that applies to the development.

3. **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	Ausgrid Referral Response	16/01/2025

(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.

4. **Approved Land Use**

Nothing in this consent shall authorise the use of the structure as detailed on the approved plans for any land use of the site beyond the definition of a Detached Studio as follows:

detached studio means a habitable building that is used for purposes ancillary to a dwelling house such as a home office, entertainment area, art studio or guest room and—

- (a) is established in conjunction with a dwelling house, and*
- (b) is on the same lot of land as the dwelling house, and*
- (c) is separate from the dwelling house, and*
- (d) is not used as a separate dwelling house, and*
- (e) does not contain any cooking facilities.*

Any variation to the approved land use and/occupancy of any unit beyond the scope of the above definition will require the submission to Council of a new development application.

Reason: To ensure compliance with the terms of this consent.

5. **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 Certifier 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 Certifier 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 Certifier 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.

6. 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) Construction certificate plans are to be in accordance with all finished levels identified on approved plans. Notes attached to plans indicating tolerances to levels are not approved.
- (c) 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.
- (d) At all times after the submission of 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 an Occupation Certificate. The consent shall be available for perusal of any Authorised Officer.
- (e) 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.
- (f) 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.
- (g) Prior to the release of the Construction Certificate, payment of the following is required:
 - i) Long Service Levy - Payment should be made to Service NSW (online or in person) or alternatively to Northern Beaches Council in person at a Customer Service Centre. Payment is not required where the value of the works is less than \$250,000. The Long Service Levy is calculated on 0.25% 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.
 - ii) Section 7.11 or Section 7.12 Contributions Plan – Payment must be made to Northern Beaches Council. Where the subject land to which the development is proposed is subject to either a Section 7.11 or 7.12 Contributions Plan, any contribution to which the development is liable under the respective plan that applies is to be paid to Council. The outstanding contribution will be indexed at time of payment in accordance with the relevant Contributions Plan.
 - iii) Housing and Productivity Contribution - Payment must be made on the NSW Planning Portal for development to which this contribution applies. The amount payable is subject to indexation at the time of payment.
- (h) The applicant shall bear the cost of all works associated with the development that occurs on Council's property.
- (i) 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.

- (j) Demolition materials and builders' wastes are to be removed to approved waste/recycling centres.
- (k) No trees or native shrubs or understorey vegetation on public property (footpaths, roads, reserves, etc.), on the land to be developed, or within adjoining properties, shall be removed or damaged during excavation or construction unless specifically approved in this consent including for the erection of any fences, hoardings or other temporary works.
- (l) 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.
- (m) 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.
- (n) The works must comply with the relevant Ausgrid Network Standards and SafeWork NSW Codes of Practice.
- (o) Should any construction cranes be utilised on site, they are to be fitted with bird deterrents along the counterweight to discourage raptor (bird) nesting activity. Deterrents are to remain in place until cranes are dismantled. Selection of deterrent methods is to be undertaken in accordance with the recommendations of a suitably qualified ecologist.
- (p) 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.

BUILDING WORK – BEFORE ISSUE OF A CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATE

7. Stormwater Disposal from Low Level Property

The applicant is to demonstrate how stormwater from the new development within this consent shall be disposed of to an existing approved system or in accordance with Northern Beaches Council's Water Management for Development Policy in particular Section 5.5 Stormwater Drainage from Low Level Properties. Details demonstrating that the existing approved system can accommodate the additional flows or compliance with Northern Beaches Council's policy by an appropriately qualified Civil Engineer are to be submitted to the Certifier for approval prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

Reason: To ensure appropriate provision for disposal and stormwater management arising from the development.

8. Vehicle Crossings Application

The Applicant is to submit an application with Council for driveway levels to construct one vehicle crossing 3 metres wide in accordance with Northern Beaches Council Standard Drawing Normal Low in accordance with Section 138 of the Roads Act 1993.

Note, driveways are to be in plain concrete only.

The fee associated with the assessment and approval of the application is to be in accordance with Council's Fee and Charges.

A Council approval is to be submitted to the Certifier prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

Reason: To facilitate suitable vehicular access to private property.

9. Off Street Parking Design

The Applicant shall submit a design for the parking facility in accordance with the relevant provisions of Australian/New Zealand Standard AS/NZS 2890.1:2004 parking facilities - Off-street car parking, in particular Section 2.6 Design of Domestic Driveways.

Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Principal Certifier prior to the

issue of the Construction Certificate.

Reason: Compliance with this consent.

10. Boundary Identification Survey

The plans submitted for the Construction Certificate are to accurately reflect the property boundaries as shown on a boundary identification survey, prepared by a Registered Surveyor, with setbacks between the property boundaries and the approved works consistent with those nominated on the Approved Plans of this consent.

Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Certifier prior to the issue of any Construction Certificate.

Reason: To ensure all approved works are constructed within the subject site and in a manner anticipated by the development consent.

11. 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 Certifier prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

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

12. Sydney Water "Tap In"

The approved plans must be submitted to the Sydney Water Tap in service, prior to works commencing, to determine whether the development will affect any Sydney Water assets and/or easements. The appropriately stamped plans must then be submitted to the Certifier demonstrating the works are in compliance with Sydney Water requirements.

Please refer to the website www.sydneywater.com.au for:

- "Tap in" details - see <http://www.sydneywater.com.au/tapin>
- Guidelines for Building Over/Adjacent to Sydney Water Assets.

Or telephone 13 000 TAP IN (1300 082 746).

Reason: To ensure compliance with the statutory requirements of Sydney Water.

13. Waste Management Plan

A Waste Management Plan must be prepared for this development. The Plan must be in accordance with the Development Control Plan.

Details demonstrating compliance must be provided to the Certifier prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

Reason: To ensure that any demolition and construction waste, including excavated material, is reused, recycled or disposed of in an environmentally friendly manner.

CONDITIONS THAT MUST BE ADDRESSED PRIOR TO ANY COMMENCEMENT

14. Sediment and Erosion Controls

For developments that include more than 2500sqm of disturbance:

A Soil and Water Management plan (SWMP), in accordance with section 2.3 of the Blue Book, must be prepared and certified by a suitably qualified professional.

For sites larger than 250sqm and less than 2500sqm of disturbance:

An Erosion and Sediment Control Plan (ESCP) must be prepared by a suitably qualified person in accordance with the following considerations and documents:

- Sites that have slopes exceeding 20% (measured in any direction across the site), and/or where works are within the high-water mark or adjacent to a waterway or watercourses are considered environmentally sensitive areas. These sites require a site-specific ESCP which must be prepared and certified by a suitably qualified professional,
- The guidelines set out in the NSW Department of Housing manual 'Managing Urban Stormwater: Soils and Construction Certificate – Volume 1, 4th Edition (2004)' (the Blue Book), and
- The 'Guidelines for Erosion and Sediment Control on Building Sites' (Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure).

The ESCP must include the following as a minimum:

- Site Boundaries and contours,
- Approximate location of trees and other vegetation, showing items for removal or retention (consistent with any other plans attached to the application),
- Location of site access, proposed roads and other impervious areas (e.g. parking area and site facilities),
- Existing and proposed drainage patterns with stormwater discharge points,
- Locations and methods of all erosion and sediment controls that must include sediment fences, stabilised site access, materials and waste stockpiles locations, location of any stormwater pits on the site and how they are going to be protected,
- North point and scale,
- Type of erosion control measures to divert and slow run-off around and within the site.

Environmentally sensitive areas (i.e. Sites that have slopes exceeding 20% and/or where works are within the high-water mark or adjacent to a waterway or watercourses) must also consider:

- Identify and mark any environmentally sensitive areas on and immediately next to the site and how you will protect these, including any appropriate buffer zones (for example, marking them out as 'no-go' areas),
- Details on vegetation you will clear, as well as areas of vegetation you will keep (mark no go areas),
- Detail on soil information and location(s) of problem soil types, especially dispersive soils and potential or actual acid sulfate soils,
- Location of any natural waterways that could receive run-off and how these will be protected these from run-off.

For sites smaller than 250sqm or where the disturbance is less than 50sqm:

Run-off and erosion controls must be implemented to prevent soil erosion, water pollution or the discharge of loose sediment on the surrounding land by:

- Diverting uncontaminated run-off around cleared or disturbed areas, and
- Erecting a silt fence and providing any other necessary sediment control measures that will prevent debris escaping into drainage systems, waterways or adjoining properties, and
- Preventing the tracking of sediment by vehicles onto roads, and
- Stockpiling top soil, excavated materials, construction and landscaping supplies and debris within the lot.
- Identifying any environmentally sensitive areas on and immediately next to the site, and demonstrating how these will be protected (for example, by designation as no-go areas).

Details demonstrating compliance with the relevant requirements above are to be submitted to the Certifier, and the measures implemented, prior to the commencement of works.

Reason: To ensure no substance other than rainwater enters the stormwater system and waterways.

DURING BUILDING WORK

15. **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.

16. **Maintenance of Sediment and Erosion Controls**

Erosion and sediment controls must be adequately maintained and monitored at all times, particularly surrounding periods of rain, and shall remain in proper operation until all development activities have been completed and the site is in a state where no substance other than rainwater can enter the stormwater system and waterways.

All sediment control measures must be maintained at, or above, their design capacity.

Where more than 2500 square metres of land are disturbed or if the site has a slope of more than 20%, a self-auditing program must be developed for the site. A site inspection using a log book or inspection test plan (ITP) must be undertaken by the site supervisor:

- at least each week
- immediately before site closure
- immediately following rainfall events that cause runoff.

Details demonstrating compliance must be provided to the Certifier during demolition and building works.

Reason: Protection of the receiving environment and to ensure no substance other than rainwater enters the stormwater system and waterways.

17. **Waste Management During Development**

The reuse, recycling or disposal of waste during works must be done generally in accordance with the Waste Management Plan for this development.

Details demonstrating compliance must be submitted to the Principal Certifier.

Reason: To ensure demolition and construction waste is recycled or reused and to limit landfill.

BEFORE ISSUE OF THE OCCUPATION CERTIFICATE

18. Stormwater Disposal

The stormwater drainage works shall be certified as compliant with all relevant Australian Standards and Codes by a suitably qualified civil/hydraulic engineer. Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Principal Certifier prior to the issue of the Occupation Certificate.

Reason: To ensure appropriate provision for the disposal of stormwater arising from the development.

19. Certification of Off Street Parking Works

The Applicant shall submit a certificate from a suitably qualified person certifying that the parking facility was constructed in accordance within this development consent and the relevant provisions of Australian/New Zealand Standard AS/NZS 2890.1:2004 parking facilities - Off-street car parking, in particular Section 2.6 Design of Domestic Driveways.

Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Principal Certifier prior to the issue of the Occupation Certificate.

Reason: Compliance with this consent.

20. Removal of All Temporary Structures/Material and Construction Rubbish

Once construction has been completed all silt and sediment fences, silt, rubbish, building debris, straw bales and temporary fences are to be removed from the site.

Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Principal Certifier prior to the issue of an Occupation Certificate.

Reason: To ensure bushland management.

21. Waste Disposal Verification Statement

On completion of demolition work:

- a signed statement must be submitted to the Certifier verifying that demolition work, and any recycling of materials, was undertaken in accordance with the waste management plan approved under this consent, and
- if the demolition work involved the removal of asbestos, an asbestos clearance certificate issued by a suitably qualified person, must be submitted to the Certifier within 14 days of completion of the demolition work.

Reason: To provide for the submission of a statement verifying that demolition waste management and recycling has been undertaken in accordance with the approved waste management plan.

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

Signed



Julie Edwards, Planner

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



Rodney Piggott, Manager Development Assessments