

## Natural Environment Referral Response - Biodiversity

<b>Application Number:</b>	DA2020/1436
<b>Date:</b>	20/11/2020
<b>Responsible Officer</b>	Ashley Warnest
<b>Land to be developed (Address):</b>	Lot 196 DP 15376 , 54 Morella Road WHALE BEACH NSW 2107

### 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 proposed development has been assessed against the following biodiversity controls:

- Pittwater LEP Clause 6.5 (Biodiversity Protection)
- Pittwater DCP Clause B4.2 Flora and Fauna Conservation Cat 1 and Wildlife Corridor
- Pittwater DCP Clause B4.4 Flora and Fauna Habitat Enhancement Cat 2

The proposal is predominantly within the existing building footprint and will have a minimal impact on the surrounding environment. Trees that are proposed for removal are exempt varieties. The proposal complies with the relevant controls.

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:

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

#### No Planting Environmental Weeds

No environmental weeds are to be planted on the site. Information on weeds of the Northern Beaches can be found at the NSW WeedWise website (<http://weeds.dpi.nsw.gov.au/>).

**Reason:** Weed management.

**Dead or Injured Wildlife**

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

**Reason:** To mitigate potential impacts to native wildlife resulting from construction activity.