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Natural Environment Referral Response - Biodiversity

Application Number:	DA2020/1324

Date:	20/01/2021
Responsible Officer	Adam Croft
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 2 DP 236331 , 135 Seaforth Crescent SEAFORTH NSW 2092

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

Council's Bushland and Biodiversity referral team have reviewed the application for consistency against the relevant environmental legislation and controls, including:

Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 (BC Act)
Manly Local Environmental Plan (MLEP)
 - 6.5 Terrestrial Biodiversity

The application seeks to remove six (6) prescribed trees (Standfast Tree Services 2020), including two (2) locally-indigenous trees (Glochidion ferdinandi), to be replaced in accordance with the submitted landscape plan (Urban Escape 2019) which includes a minimum of 5 *Acmena smithii* (Lilly Pilly) and 10 Casuarina glauca. The provision of these replacement plantings ensures consistency with 6.5 of the Manly LEP.

Subject to conditions the Bushland and Biodiversity referral team find the application to be consistent against relevant environmental 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:

CONDITIONS TO BE SATISFIED PRIOR TO THE ISSUE OF THE CONSTRUCTION

CERTIFICATE

Amendment of Landscape Plans
The submitted Landscape Plan (Urban Escape 2020) is to be amended in accordance with the following:

- Replacement of the following proposed species, considered environmental weeds (Agave attenuata and Bambusa multiplex) with locally indigenous species found within the Native Gardening Booklet available on Council's website. https://www.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au/node/34930

The amended Landscape Plan is to be certified by a qualified landscape architect and provided to the Certifying Authority prior to issue of the Construction Certificate.

Reason: To ensure compliance with the requirement to retain and protect significant planting on the site.

CONDITIONS THAT MUST BE ADDRESSED PRIOR TO ANY COMMENCEMENT

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 protect native wildlife.

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

Certification of Landscape Plan
Landscaping is to be implemented in accordance with the approved Landscape Plans (Urban Escape 2019) and these conditions of consent.

To mitigate effects on biodiversity from the removal of 2 *Glochidion ferdinandi* measuring 8-10m in height (Standfast Tree Services 2020), at least 2 *Acmena smithii* (Lilly Pilly) must be allowed to reach heights of 8-10 metres.

Details demonstrating compliance are to be prepared by the landscape architect and provided to the Principal Certifying Authority prior to issue of the Occupation Certificate.

Reason: To ensure compliance with the requirement to retain and protect significant planting on the site.

No Weeds Imported On To The Site
No Priority or environmental weeds 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.