

Natural Environment Referral Response - Biodiversity

Application Number:	DA2020/0298
Date:	11/06/2020
Responsible Officer	Tony Collier
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 10 DP 12435 , 25 Kevin Avenue AVALON 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

Council's Bushland and Biodiversity section considers the Development Application to be consistent with the following Pittwater 21 DCP 2014 Controls:

B4.22 Preservation of Trees and Bushland Vegetation

Outcomes: To protect and enhance the urban forest of the Northern Beaches. To effectively manage the risks that come with an established urban forest through professional management of trees. To minimise soil erosion and to improve air quality, water quality, carbon sequestration, storm water retention, energy conservation and noise reduction. To protect, enhance bushland that provides habitat for locally native plant and animal species, threatened species populations and endangered ecological communities. To promote the retention and planting of trees which will help enable plant and animal communities to survive in the long-term. To protect and enhance the scenic value and character that trees and/or bushland vegetation provide. Tree protection and tree replacement conditions have been recommended in the Landscape referral.

The development application complies with this control.

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.

Works to cease if item found

If any Aboriginal Engravings or Relics are unearthed all work is to cease immediately and the Aboriginal Heritage Office (AHO) and Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) are to be notified.

Reason: To protect Aboriginal Heritage.