

# Landscape Referral Response

| Application Number:  | DA2021/0335  |
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| Date:                | 09/04/2021   |
| Responsible Officer: | Adam Croft   |
| ,                    | Lot 31 DP 31510 , 47 Roosevelt Avenue ALLAMBIE<br>HEIGHTS NSW 2100 |

#### Reasons for referral

This application seeks consent for the following:

- Construction / development works within 5 metres of a tree or
- New residential works with three or more dwellings. (RFB's, townhouses, seniors living, guesthouses, etc). or
- Mixed use developments containing three or more residential dwellings.
- New Dwellings or

#### Officer comments

The proposal is for alterations and additions to an existing dwelling, pool, garage and associated landscape works.

The application is assessed by Landscape Referral against Warringah Development Control Plan 2011, including but not limited to the following clauses:

D1 Landscaped Open Space and Bushland Setting

E1 Preservation of Trees or Bushland Vegetation.

The Arborist's Report submitted with the application is noted.

The Report indicates 18 trees to be removed. Of these, 17 trees are Category Z trees (trees not worthy of being a constraint). It is also noted that 13 of the trees are exempt species under WDCP E.1 Preservation of Trees and Bushland Vegetation. One category A tree is to be removed. The proposed removals are not objected to in this instance due to the poor health, small or exempt nature of the trees

No Landscape Plan was sighted with the documents sighted. The proposal would have benefited from a landscape plan in view of the proposed vegetation removal.

However, conditions have been included requiring replacement of 6 trees over the site to replace the non-exempt tree s removed.

No objections are raised to approval subject to conditions as recommended.

The proposal is therefore supported.

Note: Should you have any concerns with the referral comments above, please discuss these with the Responsible Officer.

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# **Recommended Landscape Conditions:**

# CONDITIONS TO BE COMPLIED WITH DURING DEMOLITION AND BUILDING WORK

#### **Protection of Existing Street Trees**

- a) All existing street trees in the vicinity of the works shall be retained during all construction stages and the street trees fronting the development site shall be protected by tree protection fencing in accordance with Australian Standard 4687-2007 Temporary Fencing and Hoardings and in accordance with Section 4 of Australian Standard 4970-2009 Protection of Trees on Development Sites.
- b) All fencing shall be located to allow for unrestricted and safe pedestrian access upon the road verge.
- c) Should any problems arise with regard to the existing or proposed trees on public land during construction, Council's Tree Services section is to be contacted immediately to resolve the matter to Council's satisfaction and at the cost of the applicant/owner.

Reason: Tree protection.

## Tree and Vegetation Protection

- a) Existing trees and vegetation shall be retained and protected including:
  - i) all trees and vegetation within the site not approved for removal, excluding exempt trees and vegetation under the relevant planning instruments of legislation,
  - ii) all trees and vegetation located on adjoining properties,
  - iii) all road reserve trees and vegetation.
- b) Tree protection shall be undertaken as follows:
  - i) tree protection shall be in accordance with Australian Standard 4970-2009 Protection of Trees on Development Sites including the provision of temporary fencing to protect existing trees within 5 metres of development,
  - ii) existing ground levels shall be maintained within the tree protection zone of trees to be retained unless authorised by an Arborist with minimum AQF Level 5 in arboriculture,
  - iii) removal of existing tree roots at or >25mm (Ø) diameter is not permitted without consultation with an Arborist with minimum AQF Level 5 in arboriculture,
  - iv) no excavated material, building material storage, site facilities, nor landscape materials are to be placed within the canopy dripline of trees and other vegetation required to be retained,
  - v) structures are to bridge tree roots at or >25mm (Ø) diameter unless directed by an Arborist with minimum AQF Level 5 in arboriculture on site,
  - vi) excavation for stormwater lines and all other utility services is not permitted within the tree protection zone without consultation with an Arborist with minimum AQF Level 5 in arboriculture including advice on root protection measures,
  - vii) should either or all of v), vi) and vii) occur during site establishment and construction works, an Arborist with minimum AQF Level 5 in arboriculture shall provide recommendations for tree protection measures. Details including photographic evidence of works undertaken shall be submitted by the Arborist to the Certifying Authority,
  - viii) any temporary access to or location of scaffolding within the tree protection zone of a protected tree or any other tree to be retained during the construction works is to be undertaken using the protection measures specified in sections 4.5.3 and 4.5.6 of

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- Australian Standard 4970-2009 Protection of Trees on Development Sites,
- ix) the activities listed in section 4.2 of Australian Standard 4970-2009 Protection of Trees on Development Sites shall not occur within the tree protection zone of any tree on the lot or any tree on an adjoining site,
- x) tree pruning from within the site to enable approved works shall not exceed 10% of any tree canopy and shall be in accordance with Australian Standard 4373-2007 Pruning of Amenity Trees,
- xi) the tree protection measures specified in this clause must: i) be in place before work commences on the site, and ii) be maintained in good condition during the construction period, and iii) remain in place for the duration of the construction works.

## The Certifying Authority must ensure that:

c) The activities listed in section 4.2 of Australian Standard 4970-2009 Protection of Trees on Development Sites do not occur within the tree protection zone of any tree and any temporary access to or location of scaffolding within the tree protection zone of a protected tree or any other tree to be retained on the site during the construction is undertaken using the protection measures specified in sections 4.5.3 and 4.5.6 of that standard.

Note: All street trees within the road verge and trees within private property are protected under Northern Beaches Council development control plans except where Council's written consent for removal has been obtained. The felling, lopping, topping, ringbarking or removal of any tree (s) is prohibited.

Reason: Tree and vegetation protection.

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

#### **Required Tree Planting**

- a) Trees shall be planted in accordance with the following:
- i) 3 trees capable of attaining a minimum height of 5 metres at maturity, front yard, minimum pot size 25 litre
- ii) 3 trees capable of attaining a minimum height of 5 metres at maturity, rear yard, minimum pot size 25 litre
- b) Native tree planting species may be selected from Council's list: www.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au/environment/native-plants/native-plant-species-guide.
- c) Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Principal Certifying Authority prior to the issue of any Occupation Certificate.

Reason: To maintain environmental amenity.

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