

Natural Environment Referral Response - Biodiversity

Application Number:	DA2020/1135
Date:	09/11/2020
Responsible Officer	Anne-Marie Young
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 8 DP 25959 , 14 Lalchere Street CURL CURL NSW 2096

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 Warringah DCP controls:-

- E1 Preservation of Trees or Bushland Vegetation
- E4 Wildlife Corridors
- E7 Development on land adjoining public open space

There are trees on the site that will need to be retained and protected, including the large Norfolk Island Pine. An arborist report may be required to ascertain the potential impacts to this tree, as well as other species within the front yard that will be removed for the drive. The need for an arborist report can be addressed by Council's Landscape Officer. The site is also within the Coastal Environment Area, and cl. 13 of the Coastal SEPP 2018 applies.

The development will generally avoid and minimise significant impacts to the environment, assuming retention of the Norfolk Island Palm can be achieved.

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

Control of Weeds

Prior to the completion of works, all priority weeds (as listed under the Biosecurity Act 2015) are to be removed/controlled within the subject site using an appropriately registered control method. Information on weeds of the Northern Beaches can be found at the NSW WeedWise website (<http://weeds.dpi.nsw.gov.au/>). All environmental weeds are to be removed and controlled. Refer to Council website http://www.pittwater.nsw.gov.au/environment/noxious_weeds

Reason: Weed management.

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.

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.