

Natural Environment Referral Response - Biodiversity

Application Number:	DA2020/1108
Date:	05/11/2020
Responsible Officer	Nick England
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 2 DP 1237847 , 128 A Elanora Road ELANORA HEIGHTS NSW 2101

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 dwelling construction and landscaping has been assessed against the following P21 DCP controls - B4.5 Landscape and Flora and Fauna Enhancement Category 3 Land and B4.22 Preservation of Trees and Bushland Vegetation.

I note the Arborist Report submitted, and the impact of the current dwelling design which requires the removal of two trees. The large Fig tree will be retained and protected.

The controls require that no net loss in native canopy trees will occur as a result of a development and is to include the creation of flora and fauna habitat. The landscape plan is to be amended to delete the *Eucalytus saligna* and instead include two locally native canopy trees, selected from the Native Plant Species Guide species list for the Narrabeen Ward which is found on the Council website.

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

Amend Landscape Drawings

The Landscape drawings, submitted in conjunction with the approved Development Application and as

amended by these conditions of consent, is to delete the *Eucalytus saligna* and instead include two locally native canopy trees, selected from the Native Plant Species Guide species list for the Narrabeen Ward.

Plans are to be amended and submitted to the Certifying Authority prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

Reason: To improve potential Long-nosed Bandicoot habitat at the site and/or to offset reductions in potential Bandicoot habitat as a result of the development.

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

Tree Planting

At least two locally native canopy trees are to be planted onsite to replace trees approved for removal. Canopy tree species are to be as per the approved Landscape Plan, consistent with locally native species growing onsite and/or selected from the list pertaining to the vegetation community growing in the locality as per the vegetation mapping and Narabeen Ward Native Plant Species Guide available on the Northern Beaches Council website. All native trees are to be retained for the life of the development, or for their safe natural life. Trees that die or are removed must be replaced with another locally native canopy tree. Tree replacement plantings are to be certified by the project arborist.

Reason: Tree replacement.

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.