

Natural Environment Referral Response - Biodiversity

Application Number:	DA2022/1517
Date:	04/11/2022
Responsible Officer	Gareth David
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 6C DP 13374 , 1054 Barrenjoey Road PALM BEACH NSW 2108

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 SEE states that the proposal will not require the removal of any significant trees, and the Landscape Plan proposes additional landscaping across the site. The development therefore is unlikely to have a significant impact on the environment, and the Biodiversity Referral includes suggested amendment of the Landscape species to satisfy DCP control B4.4 Flora and Fauna Habitat Enhancement Category 2 and Wildlife Corridor is conditioned.

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 is to be amended in accordance with the following:

- At least 60% of any new planting incorporates native vegetation as per species listed for the Pittwater Ward in the Native Planting Guide available on the Council website.

The amended Landscape Plan is to be certified by a qualified landscape architect and provided to the

Certifier prior to issue of the Construction Certificate.

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

CONDITIONS TO BE COMPLIED WITH DURING DEMOLITION AND BUILDING WORK

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.

Protection of Habitat Features

All natural landscape features, including any rock outcrops, native vegetation and/or watercourses, are to remain undisturbed during the construction works, except where affected by necessary works detailed on approved plans.

Reason: To protect wildlife habitat.

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

No Weeds Imported On To The Site

No Priority or environmental weeds (as specified in the Northern Beaches Local Weed Management Plan 2019 – 2023) are to be imported on to the site prior to or during construction works.

Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Principal Certifier prior to issue of any Occupation Certificate.

Reason: To reduce the risk of site works contributing to spread of Priority and environmental weeds.

Priority Weed Removal and Management

All Priority weeds as specified in the Northern Beaches Local Weed Management Plan 2019 – 2023) within the development footprint are to be removed.

Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Principal Certifier prior to issue of any Occupation Certificate.

Reason: To reduce the risk of site works contributing to spread of Priority weeds.

ON-GOING CONDITIONS THAT MUST BE COMPLIED WITH AT ALL TIMES

Protection of Habitat Features

All natural landscape features, including any rock outcrops, native vegetation, soil and/or watercourses, are to remain undisturbed except where affected by necessary works detailed on approved plans.

Reason: To protect wildlife habitat.