

DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION ASSESSMENT REPORT

Application Number:	DA2021/1123
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Responsible Officer:	Phil Lane
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 1 DP 208499, 60 Cabarita Road AVALON BEACH NSW 2107
Proposed Development:	Alterations and additions to a dwelling house
Zoning:	E4 Environmental Living
Development Permissible:	Yes
Existing Use Rights:	No
Consent Authority:	Northern Beaches Council
Delegation Level:	DDP
Land and Environment Court Action:	No
Owner:	Geoffrey Maxwell Smith
Applicant:	Stephen Crosby & Associates

Application Lodged:	23/07/2021
Integrated Development:	No
Designated Development:	No
State Reporting Category:	Residential - Alterations and additions
Notified:	04/08/2021 to 18/08/2021
Advertised:	Not Advertised
Submissions Received:	0
Clause 4.6 Variation:	4.3 Height of buildings: 25.9%
Recommendation:	Approval

Estimated Cost of Works:	\$ 210,000.00
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The report is submitted to the Northern Beaches Development Determination Panel (DDP) for determination as the variation to the Building Height Development standard exceeds 10%.

The maximum building height of the development is 7.7m to a maximum of 10.6m, which represents a 24.7% maximum variation to the prescribed 8.5m building height limit.

The applicant has demonstrated that compliance with the height standard is both unreasonable and unnecessary in the circumstances of the case and that there are sufficient environmental planning grounds to justify the 24.7% variation to Clause 4.3 of Pittwater LEP 2014.

When assessed on its merits, it is concluded that the bulk and scale of the proposed development will be commensurate to the surrounding built environment and that the height breach will not result in unreasonable amenity impacts, specifically having regard to views, solar access, visual and aural

privacy and visual impacts.

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT IN DETAIL

The proposal is to renovate the interior of the ground and first floors of the dwelling and cover the enlarged waterfront deck on the first floor. The existing tiled south-east roof plane sloping down towards the water is to be replaced with a lower pitch pre-finished metal roof.

ASSESSMENT INTRODUCTION

The application has been assessed in accordance with the requirements of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 and the associated Regulations. In this regard:

- An assessment report and recommendation has been prepared (the subject of this report) taking into account all relevant provisions of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, and the associated regulations;
- A site inspection was conducted and consideration has been given to the impacts of the development upon the subject site and adjoining, surrounding and nearby properties;
- Notification to adjoining and surrounding properties, advertisement (where required) and referral to relevant internal and external bodies in accordance with the Act, Regulations and relevant Development Control Plan;
- A review and consideration of all submissions made by the public and community interest groups in relation to the application;
- A review and consideration of all documentation provided with the application (up to the time of determination);
- A review and consideration of all referral comments provided by the relevant Council Officers, State Government Authorities/Agencies and Federal Government Authorities/Agencies on the proposal.

SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT ISSUES

Pittwater Local Environmental Plan 2014 - 4.6 Exceptions to development standards

Pittwater Local Environmental Plan 2014 - 7.7 Geotechnical hazards

Pittwater 21 Development Control Plan - D1.11 Building envelope

SITE DESCRIPTION

Property Description:	Lot 1 DP 208499 , 60 Cabarita Road AVALON BEACH NSW 2107
Detailed Site Description:	<p>The subject site consists of one (1) allotment located on the eastern side of Cabarita Road.</p> <p>The site is irregular in shape with a frontage of 3.96m along Cabarita Road and a maximum depth of 87.175m. The site has a surveyed area of 860m².</p> <p>The site is located within the E4 Environmental Living zone and accommodates a three storey residential dwelling with a boat shed, within a landscaped setting.</p>

	<p>The site has a westerly orientation toward the road frontage, and an easterly orientation toward Careel Bay. The site is located on a considerable slope, falling from the street frontage toward the water frontage (rear of the property).</p> <p>The site is not known to have any significant or threatened flora species. The rear yard is generally landscaped, with dense vegetation within the south-eastern area of the site.</p> <p>Detailed Description of Adjoining/Surrounding Development</p> <p>Adjoining and surrounding development is characterised by dwellings of similar size.</p>
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Map:



SITE HISTORY

The land has been used for residential purposes for an extended period of time. A search of Council's records has revealed the following relevant history:

N0190/15 - A Development Application was submitted to Council for works relating to the existing boat shed, ramp, jetty and pontoon. This application was approved, subject to conditions on 3 July 2015

DA2021/0495 - Construction of an inclined passenger lift approved 27 May 2021

ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT, 1979 (EPAA)

The relevant matters for consideration under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979, are:

Section 4.15 Matters for Consideration'	Comments
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Section 4.15 (1) (a)(i) – Provisions of any environmental planning instrument	See discussion on “Environmental Planning Instruments” in this report.
Section 4.15 (1) (a)(ii) – Provisions of any draft environmental planning instrument	Draft State Environmental Planning Policy (Remediation of Land) seeks to replace the existing SEPP No. 55 (Remediation of Land). Public consultation on the draft policy was completed on 13 April 2018. The subject site has been used for residential purposes for an extended period of time. The proposed development retains the residential use of the site, and is not considered a contamination risk.
Section 4.15 (1) (a)(iii) – Provisions of any development control plan	Pittwater 21 Development Control Plan applies to this proposal.
Section 4.15 (1) (a)(iiia) – Provisions of any planning agreement	None applicable.
Section 4.15 (1) (a)(iv) – Provisions of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000 (EP&A Regulation 2000)	<p><u>Division 8A</u> of the EP&A Regulation 2000 requires the consent authority to consider "Prescribed conditions" of development consent. These matters have been addressed via a condition of consent.</p> <p><u>Clauses 54 and 109</u> of the EP&A Regulation 2000 allow Council to request additional information. No additional information was requested in this case.</p> <p><u>Clause 92</u> of the EP&A Regulation 2000 requires the consent authority to consider AS 2601 - 1991: The Demolition of Structures. This clause is not relevant to this application.</p> <p><u>Clauses 93 and/or 94</u> of the EP&A Regulation 2000 requires the consent authority to consider the upgrading of a building (including fire safety upgrade of development). This clause is not relevant to this application.</p> <p><u>Clause 98</u> of the EP&A Regulation 2000 requires the consent authority to consider insurance requirements under the Home Building Act 1989. This matter has been addressed via a condition of consent.</p> <p><u>Clause 98</u> of the EP&A Regulation 2000 requires the consent authority to consider the provisions of the Building Code of Australia (BCA). This matter has been addressed via a condition of consent.</p>
Section 4.15 (1) (b) – the likely impacts of the development, including environmental impacts on the natural and built environment and social and economic impacts in the locality	<p>(i) Environmental Impact The environmental impacts of the proposed development on the natural and built environment are addressed under the Pittwater 21 Development Control Plan section in this report.</p> <p>(ii) Social Impact The proposed development will not have a detrimental social</p>

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	<p>impact in the locality considering the character of the proposal.</p> <p>(iii) Economic Impact The proposed development will not have a detrimental economic impact on the locality considering the nature of the existing and proposed land use.</p>
Section 4.15 (1) (c) – the suitability of the site for the development	The site is considered suitable for the proposed development.
Section 4.15 (1) (d) – any submissions made in accordance with the EPA Act or EPA Regs	See discussion on “Notification & Submissions Received” in this report.
Section 4.15 (1) (e) – the public interest	No matters have arisen in this assessment that would justify the refusal of the application in the public interest.

EXISTING USE RIGHTS

Existing Use Rights are not applicable to this application.

BUSHFIRE PRONE LAND

The site is not classified as bush fire prone land.

NOTIFICATION & SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED

The subject development application has been publicly exhibited from 04/08/2021 to 18/08/2021 in accordance with the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000 and the Community Participation Plan.

As a result of the public exhibition of the application Council received no submissions.

REFERRALS

Internal Referral Body	Comments
Landscape Officer	<p>The application seeks consent for alterations and additions to an existing dwelling.</p> <p>Council's Landscape Referral is assessed against the Pittwater Local Environment Plan clause E4 Environmental Living zone, and the following Pittwater 21 DCP Controls:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • B4.22 Preservation of Trees and Bushland Vegetation • C1.1 Landscaping • D1 Avalon Beach Locality <p>The plans indicate that no significant landscape features are affected by the works. One exempt tree species (<i>Olea europea</i>).</p> <p>No objections are raised to approval subject to conditions.</p>
NECC (Bushland and	Council's Biodiversity referrals team have assessed the Development

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Biodiversity)	<p>Application for compliance against the following applicable biodiversity related provisions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pittwater LEP cl. 7.6 Biodiversity Protection • Pittwater 21 DCP cl. B4.7 Pittwater Spotted Gum Forest - Endangered Ecological Community • Coastal Management SEPP 2018 cl. 13 Development on land within the coastal environment area <p>The proposed development requires the removal of two (2) trees; Tree 1a and Tree 1b, which are both mature specimens of <i>Archontophoenix cunninghamiana</i> (Bangalow Palm) which is listed as an exempt species on Council's Exempt tree species list. No prescribed trees or native vegetation are proposed for removal, nor will the proposal impact on nearby biodiversity. As such, Council's Biodiversity referrals team are satisfied that the proposed development complies with the provisions listed above, subject to these conditions of consent.</p>
NECC (Coast and Catchments)	<p>The DA proposes alterations and additions to an existing dwelling including internal modifications, a new roof, an addition to the first floor and deck additions to the ground and first floors. The application has been assessed in consideration of the Coastal Management Act 2016, State Environmental Planning Policy (Coastal Management) 2018 and has also been assessed against the requirements of the Pittwater LEP 2014 and Pittwater 21 DCP.</p> <p>Coastal Management Act 2016</p> <p>The subject site has been identified as being within the coastal zone and therefore the Coastal Management Act 2016 is applicable to the proposed development. The proposed development is consistent with the objects, as set out under Clause 3 of the Coastal Management Act 2016.</p> <p>State Environmental Planning Policy (Coastal Management) 2018</p> <p>The subject land has been included on the 'Coastal Environment Area' and 'Coastal Use Area' maps under State Environmental Planning Policy (Coastal Management) 2018 (CM SEPP). Hence, Clauses 13, 14 and 15 of the CM SEPP apply for this DA. On internal assessment and as assessed in the Statement of Environmental Effects prepared by Stephen Crosby & Associates Pty Ltd (July 2021) the DA satisfies requirements under clauses 13, 14 and 15 of the CM SEPP. As such, it is considered that the application does comply with the requirements of State Environmental Planning Policy (Coastal Management) 2018.</p> <p>Pittwater LEP 2014 and Pittwater 21 DCP</p> <p>Estuarine Risk Management</p>

Internal Referral Body	Comments
	<p>The subject property has also been identified as affected by estuarine wave action and tidal inundation on Council's Estuarine Hazard Mapping. As such, the Estuarine Risk Management Policy for Development in Pittwater (Appendix 7, Pittwater 21 DCP) and the relevant B3.7 Estuarine Hazard Controls will apply to any proposed development of the site.</p> <p>On internal assessment the existing dwelling is constructed above a level of about RL 8.30m AHD and is above the applicable EPL (RL 2.57m AHD) for the site. The proposed development is therefore able to satisfy the relevant estuarine risk management requirements of P21 DCP.</p> <p>Development on Foreshore Area</p> <p>The subject property is affected by the foreshore building line and Part 7, Clause 7.8 – Limited Development on Foreshore Area of Pittwater LEP 2014 applies for any development within the foreshore area. The DA shows all proposed works to be above the foreshore building line with no works proposed within the foreshore area and the DA is therefore considered to satisfy the objectives and requirements of Clause 7.8 of Pittwater LEP 2014.</p>
NECC (Riparian Lands and Creeks)	<p>This application has been assessed against relevant legislation and policy relating to waterways, riparian areas, and groundwater. This site is adjacent to the Pittwater estuary. The development must not significantly impact the biophysical, hydrological or ecological integrity of Pittwater estuary, or the quantity and quality of surface and ground water flows that it receives.</p> <p>This application is recommended for approval as it is unlikely to have an adverse effect on the integrity and resilience of the biophysical, ecological and hydrological environment of Pittwater estuary.</p>

External Referral Body	Comments
Ausgrid: (SEPP Infra.)	<p>The proposal was referred to Ausgrid who provided a response stating that the proposal is acceptable subject to compliance with the relevant Ausgrid Network Standards and SafeWork NSW Codes of Practice. These recommendations will be included as a condition of consent.</p>

ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING INSTRUMENTS (EPis)*

All, Environmental Planning Instruments (SEPPs, REPs and LEPs), Development Controls Plans and Council Policies have been considered in the merit assessment of this application.

In this regard, whilst all provisions of each Environmental Planning Instruments (SEPPs, REPs and LEPs), Development Controls Plans and Council Policies have been considered in the assessment, many provisions contained within the document are not relevant or are enacting, definitions and operational provisions which the proposal is considered to be acceptable against.

As such, an assessment is provided against the controls relevant to the merit consideration of the application hereunder.

State Environmental Planning Policies (SEPPs) and State Regional Environmental Plans

(SREPs)

SEPP 55 - Remediation of Land

Draft State Environmental Planning Policy (Remediation of Land) seeks to replace the existing SEPP No. 55 (Remediation of Land). Public consultation on the draft policy was completed on 13 April 2018. The subject site has been used for residential purposes for an extended period of time. The proposed development retains the residential use of the site, and is not considered a contamination risk.

SEPP (Building Sustainability Index: BASIX) 2004

A BASIX certificate has been submitted with the application (see Certificate No. 422385 dated 30 June 2021).

A condition has been included in the recommendation of this report requiring compliance with the commitments indicated in the BASIX Certificate.

SEPP (Infrastructure) 2007

Ausgrid

Clause 45 of the SEPP requires the Consent Authority to consider any development application (or an application for modification of consent) for any development carried out:

- within or immediately adjacent to an easement for electricity purposes (whether or not the electricity infrastructure exists).
- immediately adjacent to an electricity substation.
- within 5.0m of an overhead power line.
- includes installation of a swimming pool any part of which is: within 30m of a structure supporting an overhead electricity transmission line and/or within 5.0m of an overhead electricity power line.

Comment: The proposal was referred to Ausgrid who provided a response stating that the proposal is acceptable subject to compliance with the relevant Ausgrid Network Standards and SafeWork NSW Codes of Practice. These recommendations will be included as a condition of consent.

SEPP (Coastal Management) 2018

The site is subject to SEPP Coastal Management (2018). Accordingly, an assessment under the SEPP has been carried out as follows:

13 Development on land within the coastal environment area

- (1) *Development consent must not be granted to development on land that is within the coastal environment area unless the consent authority has considered whether the proposed development is likely to cause an adverse impact on the following:*
 - (a) *the integrity and resilience of the biophysical, hydrological (surface and groundwater) and ecological environment,*

- (b) *coastal environmental values and natural coastal processes,*
- (c) *the water quality of the marine estate (within the meaning of the Marine Estate Management Act 2014), in particular, the cumulative impacts of the proposed development on any of the sensitive coastal lakes identified in Schedule 1,*
- (d) *marine vegetation, native vegetation and fauna and their habitats, undeveloped headlands and rock platforms,*
- (e) *existing public open space and safe access to and along the foreshore, beach, headland or rock platform for members of the public, including persons with a disability,*
- (f) *Aboriginal cultural heritage, practices and places,*
- (g) *the use of the surf zone.*

Comment:

Council's Coast and Catchments Officer has reviewed this application and raised no concern with regards to the proposed development being located within the coastal environment area. Council, as the consent authority, can be satisfied that the proposal will not adversely affect the abovementioned environmental and cultural constraints.

- (2) *Development consent must not be granted to development on land to which this clause applies unless the consent authority is satisfied that:*
 - (a) the development is designed, sited and will be managed to avoid an adverse impact referred to in subclause (1), or
 - (b) if that impact cannot be reasonably avoided—the development is designed, sited and will be managed to minimise that impact, or
 - (c) if that impact cannot be minimised—the development will be managed to mitigate that impact.

Comment:

Council's Coast and Catchments Officer has reviewed this application and raised no concern with regards to the proposed development being located within the coastal environment area. Council, as the consent authority, can be satisfied that the proposal will satisfactorily meet the abovementioned outcomes.

14 Development on land within the coastal use area

- (1)
 - (a) has considered whether the proposed development is likely to cause an adverse impact on the following:
 - (i) existing, safe access to and along the foreshore, beach, headland or rock platform for members of the public, including persons with a disability,
 - (ii) overshadowing, wind funnelling and the loss of views from public places to foreshores,
 - (iii) the visual amenity and scenic qualities of the coast, including coastal headlands,
 - (iv) Aboriginal cultural heritage, practices and places,
 - (v) cultural and built environment heritage, and
 - (b) is satisfied that:
 - (i) the development is designed, sited and will be managed to avoid an adverse impact referred to in paragraph (a), or
 - (ii) if that impact cannot be reasonably avoided—the development is designed, sited

- and will be managed to minimise that impact, or
 (iii) if that impact cannot be minimised—the development will be managed to mitigate that impact, and
 (c) has taken into account the surrounding coastal and built environment, and the bulk, scale and size of the proposed development.

Comment:

Council's Coast and Catchments Officer has reviewed this application and raised no concern with regards to the proposed development being located within the coastal use area. Council, as the consent authority, can be satisfied that the proposal satisfactorily meets the abovementioned objectives.

15 Development in coastal zone generally—development not to increase risk of coastal hazards

Development consent must not be granted to development on land within the coastal zone unless the consent authority is satisfied that the proposed development is not likely to cause increased risk of coastal hazards on that land or other land.

Comment:

The proposal will not give rise to an increase in coastal hazards.

As such, it is considered that the application does comply with the requirements of the State Environmental Planning Policy (Coastal Management) 2018.

Pittwater Local Environmental Plan 2014

Is the development permissible?	Yes
After consideration of the merits of the proposal, is the development consistent with:	
aims of the LEP?	Yes
zone objectives of the LEP?	Yes

Principal Development Standards

Standard	Requirement	Proposed	% Variation	Complies
Height of Buildings:	8.5m	7.7m - 10.6m	Nil - 24.7%	No

Compliance Assessment

Clause	Compliance with Requirements
Part 1 Preliminary	Yes
1.9A Suspension of covenants, agreements and instruments	Yes
Part 4 Principal development standards	Yes
4.3 Height of buildings	No
4.6 Exceptions to development standards	Yes

Clause	Compliance with Requirements
Part 5 Miscellaneous provisions	Yes
5.10 Heritage conservation	Yes
Part 7 Additional local provisions	Yes
7.1 Acid sulfate soils	Yes
7.2 Earthworks	Yes
7.6 Biodiversity protection	Yes
7.7 Geotechnical hazards	Yes
7.8 Limited development on foreshore area	Yes
7.10 Essential services	Yes

Detailed Assessment

4.6 Exceptions to development standards

Description of non-compliance:

Development standard:	Height of buildings
Requirement:	8.5m
Proposed:	10.6m
Percentage variation to requirement:	24.7%

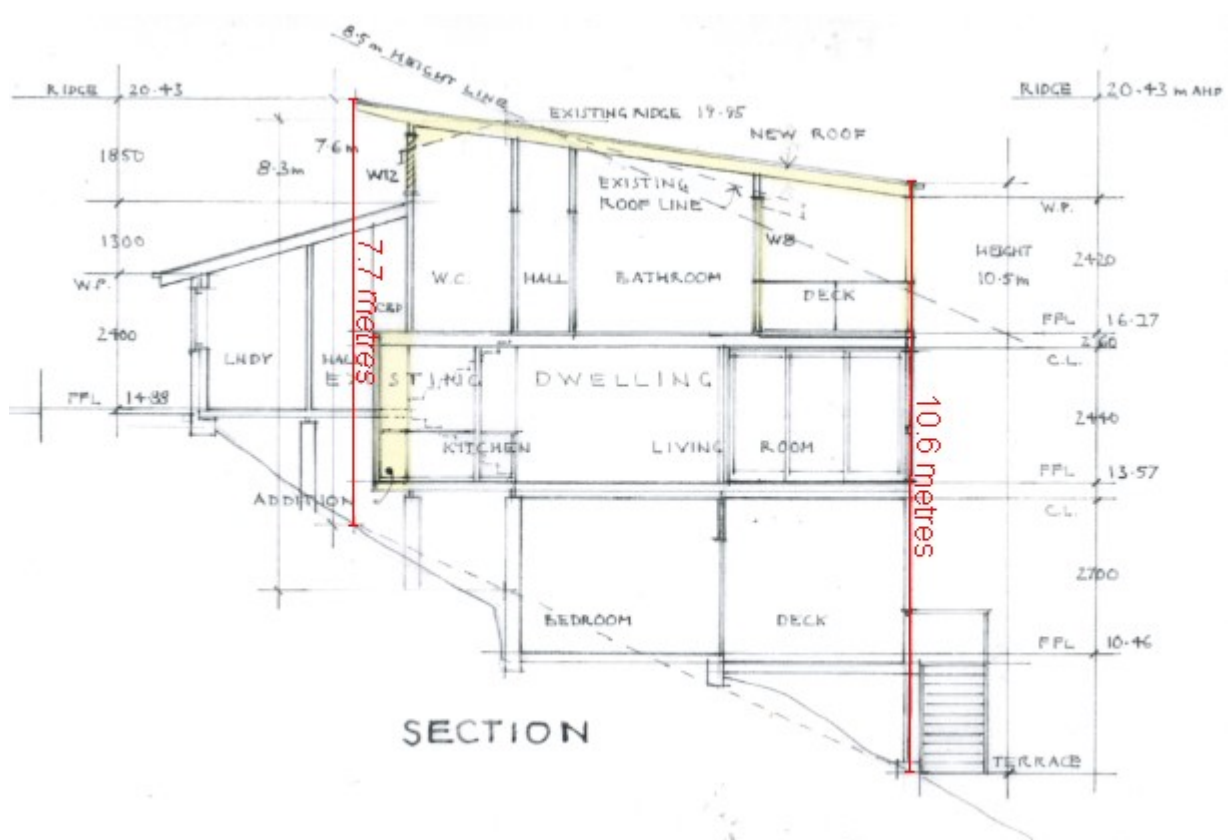


Figure 1: Height of building variation

Assessment of request to vary a development standard:

The following assessment of the variation to Clause 4.3 - Height of Buildings development standard, has taken into consideration the recent judgement contained within *Initial Action Pty Ltd v Woollahra Municipal Council* [2018] NSWLEC 118, *Baron Corporation Pty Limited v Council of the City of Sydney* [2019] NSWLEC 61, and *RebelMH Neutral Bay Pty Limited v North Sydney Council* [2019] NSWCA 130.

Clause 4.6 Exceptions to development standards:

(1) The objectives of this clause are as follows:

(a) to provide an appropriate degree of flexibility in applying certain development standards to particular development,

(b) to achieve better outcomes for and from development by allowing flexibility in particular circumstances.

(2) Development consent may, subject to this clause, be granted for development even though the development would contravene a development standard imposed by this or any other environmental planning instrument. However, this clause does not apply to a development standard that is expressly excluded from the operation of this clause.

Comment:

Clause 4.3 - Height of Buildings development standard is not expressly excluded from the operation of this clause.

(3) Development consent must not be granted for development that contravenes a development standard unless the consent authority has considered a written request from the applicant that seeks to justify the contravention of the development standard by demonstrating:

(a) that compliance with the development standard is unreasonable or unnecessary in the circumstances of the case, and

(b) that there are sufficient environmental planning grounds to justify contravening the development standard.

(4) Development consent must not be granted for development that contravenes a development standard unless:

(a) the consent authority is satisfied that:

(i) the applicant's written request has adequately addressed the matters required to be demonstrated by subclause (3), and

(ii) the proposed development will be in the public interest because it is consistent with the objectives of the particular standard and the objectives for development within the zone in which the development is proposed to be carried out, and

(b) the concurrence of the Secretary has been obtained.

Clause 4.6 (4)(a)(i) (Justification) assessment:

Clause 4.6 (4)(a)(i) requires the consent authority to be satisfied that the applicant's written request, seeking to justify the contravention of the development standard, has adequately addressed the matters required to be demonstrated by cl 4.6(3). There are two separate matters for consideration contained within cl 4.6(3) and these are addressed as follows:

(a) that compliance with the development standard is unreasonable or unnecessary in the circumstances of the case, and

Comment:

The Applicant's written request (attached to this report as an Appendix) has demonstrated that the objectives of the development standard are achieved, notwithstanding the non-compliance with the

development standard.

In doing so, the Applicant's written request has adequately demonstrated that compliance with the development standard is unreasonable or unnecessary in the circumstances of this case as required by cl 4.6(3)(a).

(b) that there are sufficient environmental planning grounds to justify contravening the development standard.

Comment:

In the matter of Initial Action Pty Ltd v Woollahra Municipal Council [2018] NSWLEC 118, Preston CJ provides the following guidance (para 23) to inform the consent authority's finding that the applicant's written request has adequately demonstrated that there are sufficient environmental planning grounds to justify contravening the development standard:

'As to the second matter required by cl 4.6(3)(b), the grounds relied on by the applicant in the written request under cl 4.6 must be "environmental planning grounds" by their nature: see Four2Five Pty Ltd v Ashfield Council [2015] NSWLEC 90 at [26]. The adjectival phrase "environmental planning" is not defined, but would refer to grounds that relate to the subject matter, scope and purpose of the EPA Act, including the objects in s 1.3 of the EPA Act.'

s 1.3 of the EPA Act reads as follows:

1.3 Objects of Act(cf previous s 5)

The objects of this Act are as follows:

- (a) to promote the social and economic welfare of the community and a better environment by the proper management, development and conservation of the State's natural and other resources,*
- (b) to facilitate ecologically sustainable development by integrating relevant economic, environmental and social considerations in decision-making about environmental planning and assessment,*
- (c) to promote the orderly and economic use and development of land,*
- (d) to promote the delivery and maintenance of affordable housing,*
- (e) to protect the environment, including the conservation of threatened and other species of native animals and plants, ecological communities and their habitats,*
- (f) to promote the sustainable management of built and cultural heritage (including Aboriginal cultural heritage),*
- (g) to promote good design and amenity of the built environment,*
- (h) to promote the proper construction and maintenance of buildings, including the protection of the health and safety of their occupants,*
- (i) to promote the sharing of the responsibility for environmental planning and assessment between the different levels of government in the State,*
- (j) to provide increased opportunity for community participation in environmental planning and assessment.*

The applicants written request argues, in part:

- *"The proposed top floor master bedroom addition of 5.1m² is modest in the scale of dwellings in Careel Bay and along with the covered balcony is entirely consistent in form and height with neighbouring dwellings along the waterfront.*

The proposed roof is low pitched, coming of a modest plate height of 2.42m, and as such the proposal's height, whilst seeking a variation to the height control, still results in a development which is consistent with the expectations for dwellings in the steeper parts of the Pittwater locality."

The proposed development maintains consistency with the height and scale of existing surrounding development. Whilst compliance with the height control is constrained by the sloping topography of the site and location of existing development, the development is considered appropriate and compatible within the locality and is therefore worthy of support'.

The applicant has satisfactorily demonstrated that the works are consistent with the objects of the EP&A Act, specifically the following objects of the EP&A Act:

- The development promotes the orderly and economic use and development of the land, in so far as the proposed development upgrades the useability of the dwelling and such building is an orderly response to the development of the site;
- The development promotes good design and amenity of the built environment, noting that the works will not contribute to any unreasonable impact on amenity considerations (i.e. solar access, privacy and view loss) to neighbouring properties.
- The development promotes a suitable residential use appropriate for the zone.
- The development promotes the proper construction and maintenance of buildings, in so far as the bulk and scale of the proposed development is consistent with the streetscape, notwithstanding the non-compliance with the standard.

In this regard, the applicant's written request has demonstrated that the proposed development is an orderly and economic use and development of the land, and that the structure is of a good design that will reasonably protect and improve the amenity of the surrounding built environment, therefore satisfying cls 1.3 (c) and (g) of the EPA Act.

Therefore, the applicant's written request has adequately demonstrated that there are sufficient environmental planning grounds to justify contravening the development standard as required by cl 4.6 (3)(b).

Therefore, Council is satisfied that the applicant's written request has adequately addressed the matters required to be demonstrated by cl 4.6(3).

Clause 4.6 (4)(a)(ii) (Public Interest) assessment:

cl 4.6 (4)(a)(ii) requires the consent authority to be satisfied that:

(ii) the proposed development will be in the public interest because it is consistent with the objectives of the particular standard and the objectives for development within the zone in which the development is proposed to be carried out

Comment:

In considering whether or not the proposed development will be in the public interest, consideration must be given to the underlying objectives of the Height of Buildings development standard and the objectives of the E4 Environmental Living zone. An assessment against these objectives is provided below.

Objectives of development standard

The underlying objectives of the standard, pursuant to Clause 4.3 – 'Height of buildings' of the PLEP 2014 are:

(1) The objectives of this clause are as follows:

a) to ensure that any building, by virtue of its height and scale, is consistent with the desired

character of the locality,

Comment:

The proposal involves alterations and additions to the dwelling house that integrates well the topography of the site. This provides a situation in which the proposed building would be consistent with the desired character of the locality.

b) to ensure that buildings are compatible with the height and scale of surrounding and nearby development,

Comment:

The surrounding and nearby development consists of dwelling houses of similar height and scale which are partly elevated due to the steep topography of the land. The proposed alterations and additions to the dwelling house is therefore considered compatible with regard to the surrounding buildings with regard to height and scale.

c) to minimise any overshadowing of neighbouring properties,

Comment:

The carport provides sufficient setbacks and ensures that the development complies with the requirements under C1.4 Solar Access of the Pittwater DCP.

d) to allow for the reasonable sharing of views,

Comment:

The proposal achieves a reasonable level of view sharing. The proposed alterations are within the existing building footprint and it is considered that adjoining and surrounding properties will be unaffected and maintain views.

e) to encourage buildings that are designed to respond sensitively to the natural topography,

Comment:

The proposal has been designed to step down with the slope of the land and be contained within the existing footprint. The proposal will not remove any vegetation onsite. It is considered that the proposal responds appropriately to the topography of the land.

f) to minimise the adverse visual impact of development on the natural environment, heritage conservation areas and heritage items,

Comment:

The proposal complies with the relevant setbacks controls with the expectation of the northern side boundary envelope due to the slope of land and landscaping. However, it is considered that the existing vegetation on the site will ensure that the visual impact of the development is minimised. The site is not identified as a heritage item or located within the vicinity of a heritage item.

Zone objectives

The underlying objectives of the E4 Environmental Living zone are:

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- *To provide for low-impact residential development in areas with special ecological, scientific or aesthetic values.*

Comment:

The dwelling has been positioned in a way that retains significant canopy trees and minimises visual impact from Cabarita Road and Careel Bay. The proposed alterations and additions to the dwelling is a permissible form of development on site within a low density residential setting.

- *To ensure that residential development does not have an adverse effect on those values.*

Comment:

The proposed alterations and additions to the dwelling has been considered against controls contained within the Pittwater LEP, in particular Clause 7.6 Biodiversity. The proposal has been reviewed by Council's Biodiversity officer and found to be designed and sited in a way that avoids significant adverse impacts to natural environment, including vegetation.

- *To provide for residential development of a low density and scale integrated with the landform and landscape.*

Comment:

The scale of the building is not inconsistent with the surrounding development which consists of dwelling houses and associated outbuildings/structures including jetties, boat ramps and wharves. The projection of the roof form over the 8.5m maximum height requirement is in character for the area and does not result in a building that is considered excessive by virtue of its height and scale.

- *To encourage development that retains and enhances riparian and foreshore vegetation and wildlife corridors.*

Comment:

As the proposed development is maintained within the existing building footprint it is considered will not have a detrimental impact to wildlife corridors.

Conclusion:

For the reasons detailed above, the proposal is considered to be consistent with the objectives of the E4 Environmental Living zone.

Clause 4.6 (4)(b) (Concurrence of the Secretary) assessment:

cl. 4.6(4)(b) requires the concurrence of the Secretary to be obtained in order for development consent to be granted.

Planning Circular PS 18-003 dated 21 February 2018, as issued by the NSW Department of Planning, advises that the concurrence of the Secretary may be assumed for exceptions to development standards under environmental planning instruments that adopt Clause 4.6 of the Standard Instrument. In this regard, given the consistency of the variation to the objectives of the zone, and in accordance with correspondence from the Deputy Secretary on 24 May 2019, Council staff under the delegation of the Development Determination Panel, may assume the concurrence of the Secretary for variations to the Height of building Development Standard associated with a single dwelling house (Class 1 building).

7.7 Geotechnical hazards

Under Clause 7.7 Geotechnical Hazards, before determining a development application for

development on land to which this clause applies, the consent authority must consider the following matters to decide whether or not the development takes into account all geotechnical risks:

- (a) *site layout, including access,*
- (b) *the development's design and construction methods,*
- (c) *the amount of cut and fill that will be required for the development,*
- (d) *waste water management, stormwater and drainage across the land,*
- (e) *the geotechnical constraints of the site,*
- (f) *any appropriate measures proposed to avoid, minimise or mitigate the impacts of the development.*

Comment:

The proposed development is supported by a geotechnical risk assessment and architectural plans that demonstrate all geotechnical risks have been taken into account. The application has been reviewed and is supported, subject to conditions of consent.

Development consent must not be granted to development on land to which this clause applies unless:

- (a) *the consent authority is satisfied that the development will appropriately manage waste water, stormwater and drainage across the land so as not to affect the rate, volume and quality of water leaving the land, and*

Comment:

The proposed development is supported by a geotechnical risk assessment and suitable conditions will be included to ensure stormwater and drainage are suitable managed on site.

- (b) *the consent authority is satisfied that:*

- (i) *the development is designed, sited, and will be managed to avoid any geotechnical risk and significant adverse impact on the development and the land surrounding the development, or*
- (ii) *if that risk or impact cannot be reasonably avoided - the development is designed, sited and will be managed to minimise that risk or impact, or*
- (iii) *if that risk or impact cannot be minimised - the development will be managed to mitigate that risk or impact.*

Comment:

The application has been reviewed and is supportive of the proposal, subject to conditions of consent. As such, Council can be satisfied that the proposed development has been designed, sited, and will be managed to avoid any geotechnical risk and significant adverse impact on the development and the land surrounding the development.

Pittwater 21 Development Control Plan

Built Form Controls

Built Form Control	Requirement	Proposed	% Variation*	Complies
Front building line	6.5m	35.4m	N/A	Yes
Rear building line	FBL applies	FBL applies	N/A	N/A
Side building line	1m (Northern boundary)	2.2m	N/A	Yes
	2.5m (Southern boundary)	4.4m - 5.6m	N/A	Yes
Building envelope	3.5m (Northern boundary)	Outside envelope (Encroachment 3.2m - 4.1m)	91.4% - 117.1%	No
	3.5m	Within envelope	N/A	Yes

	(Southern boundary)			
Landscaped area	60% (516m ²)	*34.5% (296.8m ²)	N/A	Unaltered

* Existing landscaped area will be unaltered by the proposed development (within the existing footprint of the dwelling)

Compliance Assessment

Clause	Compliance with Requirements	Consistency Aims/Objectives
Section A Shaping Development in Pittwater	Yes	Yes
A1 Introduction	Yes	Yes
A1.7 Considerations before consent is granted	Yes	Yes
A4 Localities	Yes	Yes
A4.1 Avalon Beach Locality	Yes	Yes
Section B General Controls	Yes	Yes
B1 Heritage Controls	Yes	Yes
B1.3 Heritage Conservation - General	Yes	Yes
B1.4 Aboriginal Heritage Significance	Yes	Yes
B3 Hazard Controls	Yes	Yes
B3.1 Landslip Hazard	Yes	Yes
B3.6 Contaminated Land and Potentially Contaminated Land	Yes	Yes
B3.7 Estuarine Hazard - Low density residential	Yes	Yes
B4 Controls Relating to the Natural Environment	Yes	Yes
B4.7 Pittwater Spotted Gum Forest - Endangered Ecological Community	Yes	Yes
B4.15 Saltmarsh Endangered Ecological Community	Yes	Yes
B4.16 Seagrass Conservation	Yes	Yes
B4.19 Estuarine Habitat	Yes	Yes
B5 Water Management	Yes	Yes
B5.13 Development on Waterfront Land	Yes	Yes
B5.15 Stormwater	Yes	Yes
B6 Access and Parking	Yes	Yes
B6.3 Off-Street Vehicle Parking Requirements	Yes	Yes
B8 Site Works Management	Yes	Yes
B8.1 Construction and Demolition - Excavation and Landfill	Yes	Yes
B8.3 Construction and Demolition - Waste Minimisation	Yes	Yes
B8.4 Construction and Demolition - Site Fencing and Security	Yes	Yes
B8.5 Construction and Demolition - Works in the Public Domain	Yes	Yes
B8.6 Construction and Demolition - Traffic Management Plan	Yes	Yes
Section C Development Type Controls	Yes	Yes
C1 Design Criteria for Residential Development	Yes	Yes
C1.1 Landscaping	Yes	Yes

Clause	Compliance with Requirements	Consistency Aims/Objectives
C1.2 Safety and Security	Yes	Yes
C1.3 View Sharing	Yes	Yes
C1.4 Solar Access	Yes	Yes
C1.5 Visual Privacy	Yes	Yes
C1.6 Acoustic Privacy	Yes	Yes
C1.7 Private Open Space	Yes	Yes
C1.12 Waste and Recycling Facilities	Yes	Yes
C1.13 Pollution Control	Yes	Yes
C1.23 Eaves	Yes	Yes
Section D Locality Specific Development Controls	Yes	Yes
D1 Avalon Beach Locality	Yes	Yes
D1.1 Character as viewed from a public place	Yes	Yes
D1.5 Building colours and materials	Yes	Yes
D1.8 Front building line	Yes	Yes
D1.9 Side and rear building line	Yes	Yes
D1.11 Building envelope	No	Yes
D1.14 Landscaped Area - Environmentally Sensitive Land	Yes	Yes
D1.17 Construction, Retaining walls, terracing and undercroft areas	Yes	Yes
D1.20 Scenic Protection Category One Areas	Yes	Yes
D1.21 Masterplan - Careel Bay	Yes	Yes
D15 Waterways Locality	Yes	Yes
D15.11 Waterfront lighting	Yes	Yes
D15.15 Waterfront development	Yes	Yes
D15.22 Masterplan - Careel Bay	Yes	Yes

Detailed Assessment

D1.11 Building envelope

Description of non-compliance

The clause stipulates that buildings are to be projected at 45 degrees from 3.5m above the existing ground level, measured from the side boundaries.

The proposed development encroaches into the prescribed building envelope along the northern elevation elevation by 3.2m - 4.1m for a short length of 1.8m. This variation is represented in figure 2 below.

This building envelope non-compliance is largely attributed to the slope of the site, which exceeds 91.4% - 117.1%. P21DCP allows for a variation to the prescribed building envelope for development subject to consistency with the outcomes of this Clause.

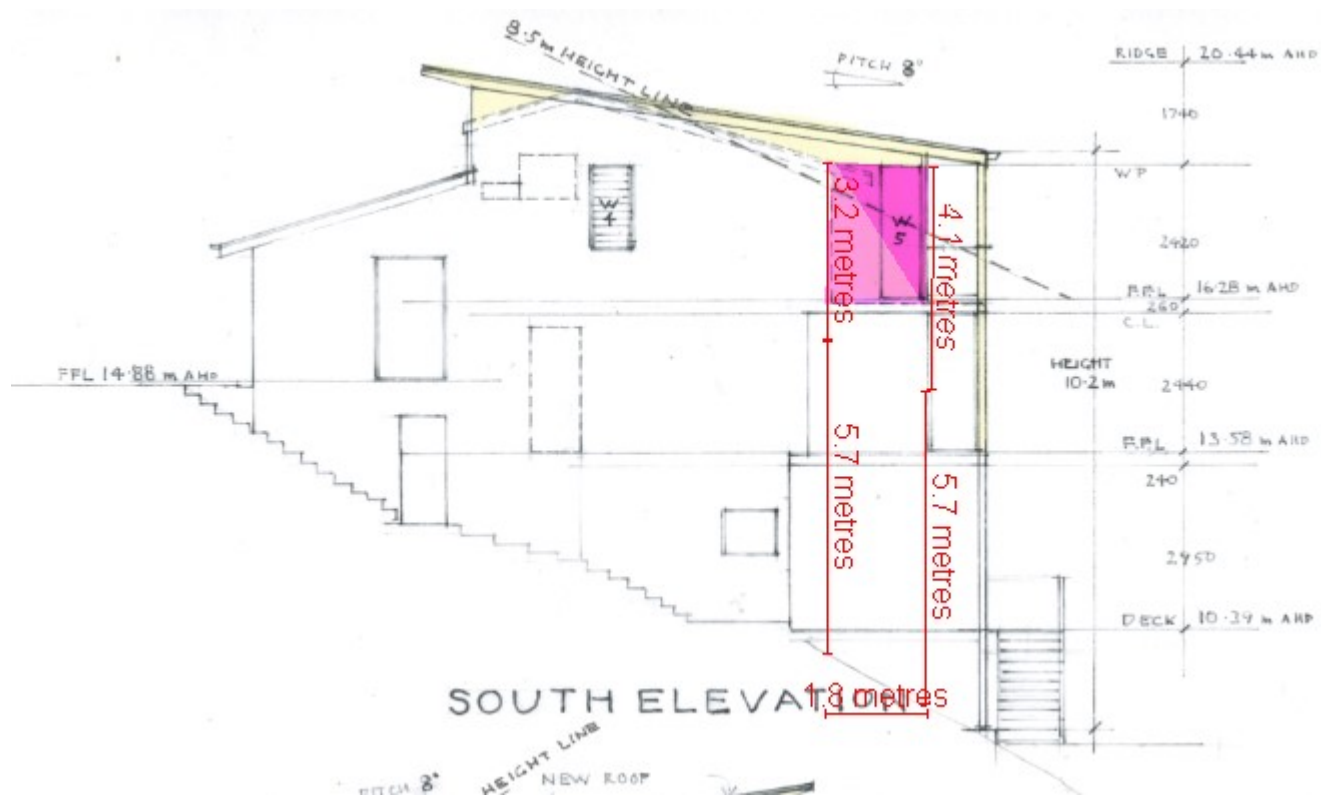


Figure 2 - Proposed building envelope non-compliance on northern elevation (highlighted in purple).

Merit consideration

With regard to the consideration for a variation, the development is considered against the underlying Objectives of the Control as follows:

- *To achieve the desired future character of the Locality.*

Comment:

The proposed development is considered to be appropriate within its context, consistent with the bulk and scale of surrounding development in the locality and generally in keeping with the desired future character of the locality. This is further discussed in the section of this report relating to A4.1 Avalon Locality of the Pittwater 21 DCP.

- *To enhance the existing streetscapes and promote a building scale and density that is below the height of the trees of the natural environment.*

Comment:

The proposed development will not readily visible as viewed from the streetscape due to dwelling been below road level and on battle-axe allotment. The proposal includes adequate landscaping in order to screen the built form of the proposed development when viewed from the Careel Bay and surrounding streets. The proposed development is generally set below the height of the trees adjoining the site and in the locality. It is considered that the bulk and scale of the proposal would not be out of character with the existing site, streetscape and wider locale.

- *To ensure new development responds to, reinforces and sensitively relates to spatial*

characteristics of the existing natural environment.

Comment:

The proposal is designed to integrate with the existing dwelling. The use of landscaping surrounding the dwelling will assist in reducing the impact of the built form and softening the appearance of the dwelling when viewed from a public domain and waterway and surrounding properties. The proposal is situated and designed to minimise site disturbance and maintain the natural features of the site.

- *The bulk and scale of the built form is minimised.*

Comment:

The proposal is setback from the street and rear boundary and demonstrates good spatial separation from adjoining and surrounding dwellings. Further, the development will appear as single storey when viewed from the street due to the cross fall of the site away from the frontage, and the bulk and scale of the development would not appear inconsistent with existing development along Cabarita Road. This provides a situation in which presentation of bulk and scale is adequately minimised.

- *Equitable preservation of views and vistas to and/or from public/private places.*

Comment:

The proposed development adequately preserves views and vistas to and from public and private places for the reasons detailed in the section of this report relating to Clause C1.3 View Sharing of the P21 DCP.

- *To ensure a reasonable level of privacy, amenity and solar access is provided within the development site and maintained to residential properties.*

Comment:

It is considered that the proposal provides adequate spatial separation between adjoining buildings. The application has demonstrated that the proposal will not have an unreasonable impact with regards to solar access. The adjoining properties will maintain solar access and privacy in accordance with the DCP requirements. Furthermore, the proposal would introduce suitable landscaping along the northern boundary to minimise the visual impact of the development to the adjoining neighbour to assist in the preservation of residential amenity.

- *Vegetation is retained and enhanced to visually reduce the built form.*

Comment:

The proposed development will be softened by existing and proposed landscaping as seen from the street, waterway, public reserve and adjoining properties.

Having regard to the above assessment, it is concluded that the proposed development is consistent with the relevant objectives of PLEP 2014 / P21DCP and the objectives specified in s1.3 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979. Accordingly, this assessment finds that the proposal is supported, in this particular circumstance.

THREATENED SPECIES, POPULATIONS OR ECOLOGICAL COMMUNITIES

The proposal will not significantly affect threatened species, populations or ecological communities, or their habitats.

CRIME PREVENTION THROUGH ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN

The proposal is consistent with the principles of Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design.

POLICY CONTROLS

Northern Beaches Section 7.12 Contributions Plan 2021

The proposal is subject to the application of Northern Beaches Section 7.12 Contributions Plan 2021.

A monetary contribution of \$2,100 is required for the provision of new and augmented public infrastructure. The contribution is calculated as 1% of the total development cost of \$210,000.

CONCLUSION

The site has been inspected and the application assessed having regard to all documentation submitted by the applicant and the provisions of:

- Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979;
- Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000;
- All relevant and draft Environmental Planning Instruments;
- Pittwater Local Environment Plan;
- Pittwater Development Control Plan; and
- Codes and Policies of Council.

This assessment has taken into consideration the submitted plans, Statement of Environmental Effects, all other documentation supporting the application and public submissions, and does not result in any unreasonable impacts on surrounding, adjoining, adjacent and nearby properties subject to the conditions contained within the recommendation.

In consideration of the proposal and the merit consideration of the development, the proposal is considered to be:

- Consistent with the objectives of the DCP
- Consistent with the zone objectives of the LEP
- Consistent with the aims of the LEP
- Consistent with the objectives of the relevant EPIs
- Consistent with the objects of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979

Council is satisfied that:

1) The Applicant's written request under Clause 4.6 of the Pittwater Local Environmental Plan 2014 seeking to justify a contravention of Clause 4.3 Height of Buildings has adequately addressed and demonstrated that:

a) Compliance with the standard is unreasonable or unnecessary in the circumstances of the case; and

b) There are sufficient environmental planning grounds to justify the contravention.

2) The proposed development will be in the public interest because it is consistent with the objectives of the standard and the objectives for development within the zone in which the development is proposed to be carried out.

The proposed development involves alterations and additions to an existing dwelling house.

The maximum height of the proposed development is 10.6m, which exceeds the 8.5m height limit. The applicant has provided sufficient justification for the departure from the development standard in that compliance with the standard is unreasonable in the circumstances of this highly constrained site and the encroachment does not result in any unreasonable impacts to surrounding residential properties.

In addition, the assessment of the proposed development against the provisions of the Pittwater 21 DCP has found that the proposal does not comply with a building envelope control. Given the constraints on the development by virtue of the steep site and the presence of environmental features, some flexibility in applying these controls is necessary. There will not be any unreasonable amenity impacts on adjoining properties and the proposal will be consistent with the vegetated character of Cabarita Road/Careel Bay and the Locality.

In summary, the proposal is recommended for approval as the siting and design of the dwelling house responsive and logical and will not result in any unreasonable amenity impacts on surrounding developments or the streetscape and locality character. It is considered that the proposed development satisfies the appropriate controls and that all processes and assessments have been satisfactorily addressed.

RECOMMENDATION

That Northern Beaches Council as the consent authority vary clause 4.3 Height of Building development standard pursuant to clause 4.6 of the PLEP 2014 as the applicant's written request has adequately addressed the merits required to be demonstrated by subclause (3) and the proposed development will be in the public interest and is consistent with the objectives of the standard and the objectives for development within the zone in which the development is proposed to be carried out.

Accordingly Council as the consent authority grant Development Consent to DA2021/1123 for Alterations and additions to a dwelling house on land at Lot 1 DP 208499, 60 Cabarita Road, AVALON BEACH, subject to the conditions printed below:

DEVELOPMENT CONSENT OPERATIONAL CONDITIONS

1. **Approved Plans and Supporting Documentation**

The development must be carried out in compliance (except as amended by any other condition of consent) with the following:

a) Approved Plans

Architectural Plans - Endorsed with Council's stamp

Drawing No.	Dated	Prepared By
DA 01	June 2021	Stephen Crosby & Associates Pty Ltd
DA 02	June 2021	Stephen Crosby & Associates Pty Ltd
DA 03	June 2021	Stephen Crosby & Associates Pty Ltd
DA 04	June 2021	Stephen Crosby & Associates Pty Ltd

Reports / Documentation – All recommendations and requirements contained within:		
Report No. / Page No. / Section No.	Dated	Prepared By
Geotechnical Assessment	2 July 2021	Ascent Geotechnical Consulting
Tree Assessment	April 2021	Syncarpia Vegetation Management

b) Any plans and / or documentation submitted to satisfy the Conditions of this consent.

c) The development is to be undertaken generally in accordance with the following:

Waste Management Plan		
Drawing No/Title.	Dated	Prepared By
Waste Management Plan	1 July 2021	Stephen Crosby & Associates Pty Ltd

In the event of any inconsistency between conditions of this consent and the drawings/documents referred to above, the conditions of this consent will prevail.

Reason: To ensure the work is carried out in accordance with the determination of Council and approved plans.

2. Compliance with Other Department, Authority or Service Requirements

The development must be carried out in compliance with all recommendations and requirements, excluding general advice, within the following:

Other Department, Authority or Service	EDMS Reference	Dated
Ausgrid	Response Ausgrid Referral	4 August 2021

(NOTE: For a copy of the above referenced document/s, please see Application Tracking on Council's website www.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au)

Reason: To ensure the work is carried out in accordance with the determination and the statutory requirements of other departments, authorities or bodies.

3. Prescribed Conditions

- (a) All building works must be carried out in accordance with the requirements of the Building Code of Australia (BCA).
- (b) BASIX affected development must comply with the schedule of BASIX commitments specified within the submitted BASIX Certificate (demonstrated compliance upon plans/specifications is required prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate);
- (c) A sign must be erected in a prominent position on any site on which building work, subdivision work or demolition work is being carried out:
 - (i) showing the name, address and telephone number of the Principal Certifying Authority for the work, and
 - (ii) showing the name of the principal contractor (if any) for any building work and a telephone number on which that person may be contacted outside working hours, and
 - (iii) stating that unauthorised entry to the work site is prohibited.

Any such sign is to be maintained while the building work, subdivision work or demolition work is being carried out, but must be removed when the work has been completed.
- (d) Residential building work within the meaning of the Home Building Act 1989 must not be carried out unless the Principal Certifying Authority for the development to which the work relates (not being the Council) has given the Council written notice of the following information:
 - (i) in the case of work for which a principal contractor is required to be appointed:
 - A. the name and licence number of the principal contractor, and
 - B. the name of the insurer by which the work is insured under Part 6 of that Act,
 - (ii) in the case of work to be done by an owner-builder:
 - A. the name of the owner-builder, and
 - B. if the owner-builder is required to hold an owner-builder permit under that Act, the number of the owner-builder permit.

If arrangements for doing the residential building work are changed while the work is in progress so that the information notified under becomes out of date, further work must not be carried out unless the Principal Certifying Authority for the development to which the work relates (not being the Council) has given the Council written notice of the updated information.
- (e) Development that involves an excavation that extends below the level of the base of the footings of a building on adjoining land, the person having the benefit of the development consent must, at the person's own expense:
 - (i) protect and support the adjoining premises from possible damage from the excavation, and
 - (ii) where necessary, underpin the adjoining premises to prevent any such damage.
 - (iii) must, at least 7 days before excavating below the level of the base of the footings of a building on an adjoining allotment of land, give notice of intention to do so to the owner of the adjoining allotment of land and furnish particulars of the excavation to the owner of the building being erected or demolished.
 - (iv) the owner of the adjoining allotment of land is not liable for any part of the cost of work carried out for the purposes of this clause, whether carried out on the allotment of land being excavated or on the adjoining allotment of land.

In this clause, allotment of land includes a public road and any other public place.

Reason: Legislative requirement.

4. **General Requirements**

- (a) Unless authorised by Council:
Building construction and delivery of material hours are restricted to:

- 7.00 am to 5.00 pm inclusive Monday to Friday,
- 8.00 am to 1.00 pm inclusive on Saturday,
- No work on Sundays and Public Holidays.

Demolition and excavation works are restricted to:

- 8.00 am to 5.00 pm Monday to Friday only.

(Excavation work includes the use of any excavation machinery and the use of jackhammers, rock breakers, excavators, loaders and the like, regardless of whether the activities disturb or alter the natural state of the existing ground stratum or are breaking up/removing materials from the site).

- (b) Should any asbestos be uncovered on site, its demolition and removal must be carried out in accordance with WorkCover requirements and the relevant Australian Standards.
- (c) At all times after the submission the Notice of Commencement to Council, a copy of the Development Consent and Construction Certificate is to remain onsite at all times until the issue of a final Occupation Certificate. The consent shall be available for perusal of any Authorised Officer.
- (d) Where demolition works have been completed and new construction works have not commenced within 4 weeks of the completion of the demolition works that area affected by the demolition works shall be fully stabilised and the site must be maintained in a safe and clean state until such time as new construction works commence.
- (e) Onsite toilet facilities (being either connected to the sewer or an accredited sewer management facility) for workers are to be provided for construction sites at a rate of 1 per 20 persons.
- (f) Prior to the release of the Construction Certificate, payment of the Long Service Levy is required. This payment can be made at Council or to the Long Services Payments Corporation. Payment is not required where the value of the works is less than \$25,000. The Long Service Levy is calculated on 0.35% of the building and construction work. The levy rate and level in which it applies is subject to legislative change. The applicable fee at the time of payment of the Long Service Levy will apply.
- (g) The applicant shall bear the cost of all works associated with the development that occurs on Council's property.
- (h) No skip bins, building materials, demolition or excavation waste of any nature, and no hoist, plant or machinery (crane, concrete pump or lift) shall be placed on Council's footpaths, roadways, parks or grass verges without Council Approval.
- (i) Demolition materials and builders' wastes are to be removed to approved waste/recycling centres.
- (j) No trees or native shrubs or understorey vegetation on public property (footpaths, roads, reserves, etc.) or on the land to be developed shall be removed or damaged during construction unless specifically approved in this consent including for the

erection of any fences, hoardings or other temporary works.

(k) Prior to the commencement of any development onsite for:

- i) Building/s that are to be erected
- ii) Building/s that are situated in the immediate vicinity of a public place and is dangerous to persons or property on or in the public place
- iii) Building/s that are to be demolished
- iv) For any work/s that is to be carried out
- v) For any work/s that is to be demolished

The person responsible for the development site is to erect or install on or around the development area such temporary structures or appliances (wholly within the development site) as are necessary to protect persons or property and to prevent unauthorised access to the site in order for the land or premises to be maintained in a safe or healthy condition. Upon completion of the development, such temporary structures or appliances are to be removed within 7 days.

(l) A "Road Opening Permit" must be obtained from Council, and all appropriate charges paid, prior to commencement of any work on Council property. The owner/applicant shall be responsible for all public utilities and services in the area of the work, shall notify all relevant Authorities, and bear all costs associated with any repairs and/or adjustments as those Authorities may deem necessary.

(m) The works must comply with the relevant Ausgrid Network Standards and SafeWork NSW Codes of Practice.

(n) Requirements for new swimming pools/spas or existing swimming pools/spas affected by building works.

- (1) Child resistant fencing is to be provided to any swimming pool or lockable cover to any spa containing water and is to be consistent with the following;

Relevant legislative requirements and relevant Australian Standards (including but not limited) to:

- (i) Swimming Pools Act 1992
 - (ii) Swimming Pools Amendment Act 2009
 - (iii) Swimming Pools Regulation 2018
 - (iv) Australian Standard AS1926 Swimming Pool Safety
 - (v) Australian Standard AS1926.1 Part 1: Safety barriers for swimming pools
 - (vi) Australian Standard AS1926.2 Part 2: Location of safety barriers for swimming pools.
- (2) A 'KEEP WATCH' pool safety and aquatic based emergency sign, issued by Royal Life Saving is to be displayed in a prominent position within the pool/spa area.
 - (3) Filter backwash waters shall be conveyed to the Sydney Water sewerage system in sewered areas or managed on-site in unsewered areas in a manner that does not cause pollution, erosion or run off, is separate from the irrigation area for any wastewater system and is separate from any onsite stormwater management system.
 - (4) Swimming pools and spas must be registered with the Division of Local Government.

Reason: To ensure that works do not interfere with reasonable amenity expectations of

residents and the community.

FEES / CHARGES / CONTRIBUTIONS

5. **Policy Controls**

Northern Beaches 7.12 Contributions Plan 2021

A monetary contribution of \$2,100.00 is payable to Northern Beaches Council for the provision of local infrastructure and services pursuant to section 7.12 of the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979 and the Northern Beaches Section 7.12 Contributions Plan 2021. The monetary contribution is based on a development cost of \$210,000.00.

The monetary contribution is to be paid prior to the issue of the first Construction Certificate or Subdivision Certificate whichever occurs first, or prior to the issue of the Subdivision Certificate where no Construction Certificate is required. If the monetary contribution (total or in part) remains unpaid after the financial quarter that the development consent is issued, the amount unpaid (whether it be the full cash contribution or part thereof) will be adjusted on a quarterly basis in accordance with the applicable Consumer Price Index. If this situation applies, the cash contribution payable for this development will be the total unpaid monetary contribution as adjusted.

The proponent shall provide to the Certifying Authority written evidence (receipt/s) from Council that the total monetary contribution has been paid.

The Northern Beaches Section 7.12 Contributions Plan 2021 may be inspected at 725 Pittwater Rd, Dee Why and at Council's Customer Service Centres or alternatively, on Council's website at www.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au

This fee must be paid prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate. Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Principal Certifying Authority.

Reason: To provide for contributions in accordance with the Contribution Plan to fund the provision of new or augmented local infrastructure and services.

6. **Security Bond**

A bond (determined from cost of works) of \$1,500 and an inspection fee in accordance with Council's Fees and Charges paid as security are required to ensure the rectification of any damage that may occur to the Council infrastructure contained within the road reserve adjoining the site as a result of construction or the transportation of materials and equipment to and from the development site.

An inspection fee in accordance with Council adopted fees and charges (at the time of payment) is payable for each kerb inspection as determined by Council (minimum (1) one inspection).

All bonds and fees shall be deposited with Council prior to Construction Certificate or demolition work commencing, and details demonstrating payment are to be submitted to the Certifying Authority prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

To process the inspection fee and bond payment a Bond Lodgement Form must be completed with the payments (a copy of the form is attached to this consent and alternatively a copy is located on Council's website at www.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au).

Reason: To ensure adequate protection of Council's infrastructure.

CONDITIONS TO BE SATISFIED PRIOR TO THE ISSUE OF THE CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATE

7. No Clearing of Vegetation

Unless otherwise exempt, no vegetation is to be cleared prior to issue of a Construction Certificate.

Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Certifying Authority prior to issue of Construction Certificate.

Reason: To protect native vegetation.

8. Stormwater Drainage Disposal

The stormwater drainage systems for the development are to be designed, installed and maintained in accordance with Council's Water Management for Development Policy.

All stormwater drainage systems must comply with the requirements of Council's Water Management for Development Policy. Any recommendations identified within a Geotechnical Report relevant to the development are to be incorporated into the design of the stormwater drainage system. Details demonstrating compliance from a qualified and practising Civil Engineer and where relevant a Geotechnical Engineer must be submitted to and approved by the Certifying Authority prior to the issue of a Construction Certificate.

When the proposed discharge point for the development in this consent cannot strictly comply with the Water Management for Development Policy, the Applicant must apply to verify the proposed discharge point by gaining Council approval via a Stormwater Drainage Application. Council approval must be provided to the Certifying Authority prior to the issue of a Construction Certificate when a Stormwater Drainage Application is required. The Stormwater Drainage Application form can be found on Council's website.

Compliance with this condition must not result in variations to the approved development or additional tree removal.

Reason: To ensure satisfactory management of stormwater.

9. Geotechnical Report Recommendations have been Incorporated into Designs and Structural Plans

The recommendations of the risk assessment required to manage the hazards as identified in the Geotechnical Report referenced in Condition 1 of this consent are to be incorporated into the construction plans.

Prior to issue of the Construction Certificate, Form 2 of the Geotechnical Risk Management Policy for Pittwater (Appendix 5 of P21 DCP) is to be completed and submitted to the Accredited Certifier.

Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Principal Certifying Authority prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

Reason: To ensure geotechnical risk is mitigated appropriately.

10. **Compliance with Standards**

The development is required to be carried out in accordance with all relevant Australian Standards.

Details demonstrating compliance with the relevant Australian Standard are to be submitted to the Certifying Authority prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

Reason: To ensure the development is constructed in accordance with appropriate standards.

11. **External Finishes to Roof**

The external finish to the roof shall have a medium to dark range (BCA classification M and D) in order to minimise solar reflections to neighbouring properties. Any roof with a metallic steel finish is not permitted.

Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Certifying Authority prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

Reason: To ensure that excessive glare or reflectivity nuisance does not occur as a result of the development. (DACPLC03)

12. **Sydney Water "Tap In"**

The approved plans must be submitted to the Sydney Water Tap in service, prior to works commencing, to determine whether the development will affect any Sydney Water assets and/or easements. The appropriately stamped plans must then be submitted to the Certifying Authority demonstrating the works are in compliance with Sydney Water requirements.

Please refer to the website www.sydneywater.com.au for:

- "Tap in" details - see <http://www.sydneywater.com.au/tapin>
- Guidelines for Building Over/Adjacent to Sydney Water Assets.

Or telephone 13 000 TAP IN (1300 082 746).

Reason: To ensure compliance with the statutory requirements of Sydney Water.

CONDITIONS THAT MUST BE ADDRESSED PRIOR TO ANY COMMENCEMENT

13. **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.

CONDITIONS TO BE COMPLIED WITH DURING DEMOLITION AND BUILDING WORK

14. **Protection of Rock and Sites of Significance**

All rock outcrops outside of the area of approved works are to be preserved and protected at all times during demolition excavation and construction works.

Should any Aboriginal Cultural Heritage items be uncovered during earthworks, works should cease in the area and the Aboriginal Heritage Office contacted to assess the finds.

Under Section 89a of the NPW Act should the objects be found to be Aboriginal, NSW Biodiversity and Conservation Division, Heritage NSW and the Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council (MLALC) should be contacted.

Reason: Preservation of significant environmental features.

15. **Tree and Vegetation Protection**

- a) Existing trees and vegetation shall be retained and protected including:
 - i) all trees and vegetation within the site, 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 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.

16. **Removing, Handling and Disposing of Asbestos**

Any asbestos material arising from the demolition process shall be removed and disposed of in accordance with the following requirements:

- o Work Health and Safety Act;
- o Work Health and Safety Regulation;
- o Code of Practice for the Safe Removal of Asbestos [NOHSC:2002 (1998)];
- o Guide to the Control of Asbestos Hazards in Buildings and Structures [NOHSC: 3002 (1998);
- o Clause 42 of the Protection of the Environment Operations (Waste) Regulation 2005; and
- o The demolition must be undertaken in accordance with Australian Standard AS2601 – The Demolition of Structures.

Reason: For the protection of the environment and human health.

17. **Demolition Works - Asbestos**

Demolition works must be carried out in compliance with WorkCover Short Guide to Working with Asbestos Cement and Australian Standard AS 2601 2001 The Demolition of Structures.

The site must be provided with a sign containing the words DANGER ASBESTOS REMOVAL IN PROGRESS measuring not less than 400 mm x 300 mm and be erected in a prominent visible position on the site. The sign is to be erected prior to demolition work commencing and is to remain in place until such time as all asbestos cement has been removed from the site and disposed to a lawful waste disposal facility.

All asbestos laden waste, including flat, corrugated or profiled asbestos cement sheets must be disposed of at a lawful waste disposal facility. Upon completion of tipping operations the applicant must lodge to the Principal Certifying Authority, all receipts issued by the receiving tip as evidence of proper disposal.

Adjoining property owners are to be given at least seven (7) days' notice in writing of the intention to disturb and remove asbestos from the development site.

Reason: To ensure the long term health of workers on site and occupants of the building is not put at risk unnecessarily.

18. **Survey Certificate**

A survey certificate prepared by a Registered Surveyor is to be provided demonstrating all perimeter walls columns and or other structural elements, floor levels and the finished roof/ridge height are in accordance with the approved plans.

Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Principal Certifying Authority.

Reason: To demonstrate the proposal complies with the approved plans.

19. **Installation and Maintenance of Sediment Control**

Prior to any works commencing on site, including demolition, sediment and erosion controls must be installed in accordance with Landcom's 'Managing Urban Stormwater: Soils and Construction' (2004). Techniques used for erosion and sediment control on site are to be adequately maintained and monitored at all times, particularly after periods of rain, and shall remain in proper operation until all development activities have been completed and the site is sufficiently stabilised with vegetation.

Reason: To protect the surrounding environment from the effects of sedimentation and erosion from the site.

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

20. **No Weeds Imported On To The Site**

No Priority or environmental weeds (as specified in the Northern Beaches Local Weed Management Plan 2021 – 2026) are to be imported on to the site prior to or during construction works.

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

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

21. **Geotechnical Certification Prior to Occupation Certificate**

The Applicant is to submit the completed Form 3 of the Geotechnical Risk Management Policy (Appendix 5 of P21 DCP) to the Principal Certifying Authority prior to issue of the Occupation Certificate.

Reason: To ensure geotechnical risk is mitigated appropriately.

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

22. **Geotechnical Recommendations**

Any ongoing recommendations of the risk assessment required to manage the hazards identified in the Geotechnical Report referenced in Condition 1 of this consent are to be maintained and adhered to for the life of the development.

Reason: To ensure geotechnical risk is mitigated appropriately.