

AMENDED STATEMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS



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Construction of a Two Storey Dwelling

INTRODUCTION

This Statement of Environmental Effects is submitted to Northern Beaches Council in accordance with the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, in support of a development application for the erection of a new two storey dwelling containing four (4) bedrooms, upper study and leisure, library, home theatre, rumpus, family and dining rooms, along with an attached garage and outdoor alfresco area.

The site is rectangular in shape, with a primary frontage to Ingleside Road, and a total land area of 2300m². The lot currently contains existing structures at the rear to be retained. No tree removal required for the subject dwelling.

The site has a moderate fall across the site, with drainage to be directed to an approved system as per the drainage details.

The neighbourhood generally consists of a mix of residential dwellings of one and two storey construction as anticipated within a recent residential subdivision area.

The proposed dwelling will contribute positively to the surrounding area and the streetscape of Ingleside Road.

ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS

The following sections address the matters for consideration as listed in Section 4.15 of the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979. A comment is provided against each relevant matter.

This Statement of Environmental Effects addresses the following relevant Environmental Planning Instruments:

- Pittwater Local Environmental Plan 2014
- Pittwater 21 Development Control Plan

4.15 EVALUATION

(1) Matters for Consideration – general:(a)(i) Relevant environmental planning instruments

Pittwater Local Environmental Plan 2014

The LEP is divided into several Parts and the relevant provisions that apply to the subject development are listed, together with a comment with respect to compliance.

The subject site is zoned RU2 Rural Landscape pursuant to Clause 2.1 of Pittwater Local Environmental Plan 2014.

The proposed development is defined in the plan as a 'dwelling house', being 'a building containing only one dwelling'.

The identified zone permits the construction of a 'dwelling house' subject to development consent from Council.

Clause 2.3 Zone objectives and land use table

The objectives of the RU2 Rural Landscape Zone are:

- To encourage sustainable primary industry production by maintaining and enhancing the natural resource base.
- To maintain the rural landscape character of the land.
- To provide for a range of compatible land uses, including extensive agriculture.
- To ensure that development in the area does not unreasonably increase the demand for public services or public facilities.
- To minimise conflict between land uses within this zone and land uses within adjoining zones.

The proposed development is for a low density dwelling on a rural allotment, being compatible with the existing and future character of the locality. The dwelling is designed to provide a high level of amenity for its residents whilst considering the natural constraints of the site. The proposed dwelling is considered to meet the objectives of the RU2 Rural Landscape Zone.

Clause 4.3 Height of Buildings

Requirement	Provision	Compliance
8.5m	8.444m	Yes

Clause 4.6 Exceptions to development standards

The development does not contravene any development standards with in the LEP.

<u>Clause 5.10 Heritage Conservation</u>

Upon reference to Schedule 5 in relation to local, State or Regional items of heritage significance including conservation areas, it was revealed that the subject property was not identified as having heritage significance or being within proximity of a heritage item.

Clause 7.1 Acid Sulfate Soils

The subject property is affected by affected by Class 5 Acid Sulphate Soils. The proposed earthworks are not in excess of 1m and the water table is not anticipated to be affected in this regard. The development is not anticipated to have any specific requirement in respect to Acid Sulfate Soils.

Clause 7.3 Flood Planning

The subject site has not been identified as being within a flood planning area as per the 10.7 Certificate.

Clause 7.6 Biodiversity

The subject site has not been identified as biodiversity land.

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Conclusion with respect to LEP requirements

The proposal is considered to generally satisfy the relevant objectives and development standards relating to dwelling houses as contained within PLEP 2014.

(a) (ii) Relevant draft environmental planning instruments

There are no draft environmental planning instruments that would prevent the subject development from proceeding.

Pittwater 21 Development Control Plan

The subject site is located within the <u>Ingleside Locality</u>.

SECTION A

A4.6 Locality character statement - InglesideLocality

Desired Character (extract)

Ingleside remained an isolated small farming settlement until the 1850s. By 1886, land speculation had resulted in the subdivision of land into rural allotments ranging in size from 20 to 640 acres (8 to 259 hectares). In 1923, land in Ingleside was further subdivided and designated for residential development under the Ingleside Heights Plan, with allotments ranging in size from 0.2 to 8 acres (0.08 to 3.2 hectares), although some smaller allotments may exist. This area is now known as the blue-hatched area. In 1951, subdivision of land was restricted to a minimum allotment size of 2 hectares (4.9 acres). In 1991, land at Ingleside was included on the State Government Urban Development Program, although due to environmental and infrastructure difficulties, the land has not yet been rezoned for urban purposes.

The rural residential and bushland character of the locality has remained to the present day. The locality is characterised mainly by dwellings, agricultural, horticultural and like land uses on 2 hectare allotments, although allotments up to 13 hectares are evident. Smaller allotments characterise the blue-hatched area, generally north of Powderworks Road and south of Lane Cove Road. The locality is not fully serviced by sewerage or water mains, or sealed roads.

The locality does not contain any retail centres. The locality contains several schools, a youth centre, Ingleside Scout Camp, Bahai House of Worship, Minkara Retirement Village, and Rural Fire Service, and recreational facilities including the Monash Golf Course and several reserves.

The ruins of the Powder Works, Ingleside House, and vegetation in the vicinity of Manor Road and Mona Vale Road, indicative of the early entrepreneurial and farming history of Ingleside, have been identified as heritage items. The Bahai House of Worship on Mona Vale Road has also been identified.

The locality is characterised by an elevated and undulating plateau. Due to the topography, significant and panoramic views can be obtained to the east. Conversely, the slopes and ridge tops of the locality are visually prominent.

There are extensive stands of natural and secondary regrowth bushland containing flora and fauna habitats, particularly along the ridgelines and creeklines, which have high conservation and visual value. However large areas have been cleared for development.

The natural features of the locality result in a high risk of bushfire and landslip.

The major roads within the locality are Mona Vale Road, Powderworks Road, Lane Cove Road, and Walter Road. Mona Vale Road is a major link with land to the west. Few, if any, pedestrian links and pathways exist within the locality.

The proposed dwelling is considered to be within the anticipated character of the Ingleside locality area. No trees are identified for removal and the site is not noted to be within any protected or hazardous areas of this release.

The design and style chosen is desired by the market today being of a contemporary nature using appropriate building materials and articulation which ensures that the built form of the dwelling is considered to be an anticipated form of urban renewal not detracting from the surrounding locality.

The proposal does not present any detriment to views or the streetscape setting and environmental issues are considered to be satisfactorily addressed.

This development application is supported by all the necessary documentation to address the relevant environmental triggers of this Plan, such as landscaping and stormwater plans.

The design of the dwelling incorporates interactive living and outdoor areas assisting the ability of the dwelling to integrate with the public domain. The appearance of the dwelling is considered to be appropriate for the area and provides a high level of articulation to the front façade.

The overall design of the dwelling has given consideration to the sites environmental constraints, the amenity of neighbouring properties, views obtained from the site and the streetscape.

The proposed dwelling is considered to be in keeping with the desired character of the Ingleside locality.

SECTION B

B1 Heritage Controls

The subject property is not identified as an item of heritage significance nor within a conservation area.

B3 Hazard Controls

The subject property is not identified to be located within a bushfire prone area following reference to Council's 10.7 Certificate.

The subject site has not been identified as being within a flood planning area as per the 10.7 Certificate. T

<u>B4 Controls Relating to the Natural Environment</u>

The subject site is not identified as being within an area of environmental significance.

B5 Wastewater Management

Drainage from the subject site is to be directed to an approved system as per the hydraulic details. Rainwater tanks are to be provided with the proposal in accordance with the BASIX requirements. Details are included on the accompanying plans.

B6 Access and Parking

The driveway access is considered to be suitably located and will not require the removal of any street trees.

Requirement	Provision	Compliance
Driveway width at boundary to	Suitable crossover provided as	Yes
be maximum of 3.0m.	existing.	
Driveway width at kerb to be	Existing.	N/A
maximum of 3.5m.		
2 spaces.	2 spaces within internal garage.	Yes
2 354003.	2 spaces within internal garage.	103

B8 Site Works Management

Cut and fill within the site is noted on the accompanying plans. An erosion and sediment control plan are attached with this application for Council's consideration. All sedimentation control devices will be in place prior to any site works for the construction of the dwelling or removal of trees.

<u>SECTION C – Development type controls</u>

C1 Design Criteria for Residential Development

Requirements	Provision	Requirement
C1.1 Landscaping 60% of front setback to be landscaped.	>60% of front setback is capable of being landscaped.	Yes
C1.2 Safety & security Casual surveillance of front yard. Be able to view visitor at front door without opening it.	Entry and habitable room windows allow for casual surveillance of the entry approach and street.	Yes

C1.3 View sharing	The proposed dwelling is not anticipated to have any unreasonable impact on views of surrounding properties. Views obtained through the site can still be obtained due to appropriate setbacks. Minimal views are currently available due to the topography of the area.	Yes
C1.4 Solar access 3hrs to POS of proposed and adjoining 9am-3pm.	3hrs provided.	Yes
3hrs to 50% glazing of proposed and adjoining living area windows.	3hrs provided.	Yes
C1.5 Visual privacy Upper level to overlook maximum 50% of POS.	No loss of visual privacy anticipated from the proposed development due to the suitable setbacks and minimal widows to the side elevations. Balcony to front will overlook front setback and is not likely to impact upon privacy of adjoining properties.	Yes
C1.6 Acoustic privacy	No significant noise source within direct proximity.	Yes
C1.7 Private open space 80m² POS Min dimension 3m Principal area 4m x 4m Accessed via living area. Max 75% POS in front yard	>80m² >3m dimensions. Provided. PPOS accessible from dining room. POS to the rear yard.	Yes Yes Yes Yes
C1.9 Accessibility	Appropriate access to and from the site is available.	Yes
C1.12 Waste and recycling facilities	Adequate area available for bin storage in the side setback.	Yes

C1.20 Undergrounding of utility services	Necessary services/utilities can be provided for the dwelling.	Yes
C1.23 Eaves 450mm eaves required.	Min. 450mm are provided to the dwelling.	Yes

SECTION D – Locality Specific Development Controls

D6 Ingleside Locality

D6.1 Character as viewed from a public place

The design of the proposed residence provides visual interest and incorporates an entry feature to highlight the front door. The front façade does not contain any unarticulated component in excess of 8m.

The bulk and scale of the proposed dwelling has been minimized with appropriate articulation and varied materials provided on the façade and landscaping provided within the front setback. Bins and external services are concealed from the road.

The proposed development includes a front-loaded double garage door of 4.81m being less than 50% of the lot width.

Design Guidelines	Proposed	Compliance
D6.1 Character as viewed from a public place Max 8m un-articulated wall	The front façade does not contain any unarticulated component in excess of 8m.	Yes
Two of the following design features to be provided: -entry feature or portico; -awnings or other features over windows; -verandahs, balconies or window box treatment to any first floor element; -recessing or projecting architectural elements; -open, deep verandahs; or -verandahs, pergolas or similar features above garage doors.	Entry feature and projecting architectural features provided.	Yes
Garages behind building line	Garage behind the building line.	Yes
Garages <50% or 7.5m of lot	5.7m and <50% of lot width.	Yes

frontage (whichever lesser).		
D6.3 Building colours and materials Dark & Earth tones	Colour schedule accompanies application.	For Councils consideration.
D6.4 Front Building Line RU2 – Adjoining Mona Vale Rd – 30m	N/A	N/A
RU2 – Within 'blue hatched area' – 15m	N/A	N/A
RU2 – All other – 20m	20.617m to building line.	Yes
Other Zones – Merit Assessment	N/A	N/A
D6.6 Side and Rear Building Lines RU2 – Within 'blue hatched area' – 2.5m side, 1m other side, 6.5m rear.	N/A	N/A
RU2 – All other – 7.5m	4m.	No*
RU2 – Within 'blue hatched area' adjoining road/reserve – 15m	N/A	N/A
RU2 – All other adjoining road/reserve – 20m	N/A	N/A

*Side Setback – The proposed dwelling has been sited with a setback of 4m and 6.46m which requires a variation to Councils control of a minimum 7.5m setback. While the setback does not numerically comply with the required side setback, the siting of the dwelling maintains the objectives of the control and will not have any detrimental impact upon the streetscape.

The proposed setback will ensure adequate separation between allotments and is capable of being landscaped, providing an adequate setback to allow for this. The reduced setback will not be noticeable from the streetscape and will appear in keeping with surrounding properties. The setback is not the result of an overly large dwelling, with the proposal being considered modest in size. This will ensure there is no impact of bulk and scale on the street.

The setbacks will maintain suitable sightlines and will ensure suitable landscaping is provided throughout the site to further reduce the built form dominance. Suitable spatial separation is maintained to allow for landscaping along boundaries and throughout the site.

The proposed setbacks will maintain a high level of visual and acoustic privacy and the single storey design will limit overlooking opportunities.

The site is slightly narrow for a rural zone and therefore, strict compliance with the control would result in a detrimental dwelling design that would not have a better outcome. Considering the minor impact of the side setback variation, the dwelling is considered to be reasonably sited and designed to ensure an attractive addition to the streetscape. A number of dwellings within the vicinity have variations to the side setback requirement which will ensure the dwelling will not be irregular within the street.

The proposed setbacks are considered to be suitable for the subject site and surrounds and it is requested that Council consider this in the assessment of the proposal.

D6.7 Building envelope 3.5m up and 45°	Provided.	Yes
D6.9 Landscaped Area – Blue Hatched Area Dwellings – 96% of site area minus 300m2.	Required: 1908sqm Provided: 64.7% or 1487.2sqm.	No*

*Landscaped Area – Following the proposed development, the subject site has a total landscaped area of 1487.2sqm, which is non-compliant with the Councils minimum required landscaped areas for a site this size of 1908sqm. In this instance, it is requested Council consider the existing site conditions, as well as the size of the allotment in the consideration of this variation. The dwelling design is of a modest size and design and the landscaped areas provided are considered to be of a high quality despite numerically not complying. The development is considered to maintain the objectives of the control and therefore, it is requested Council consider a variation in this instance.

The proposed landscaped area that remains on the site is useable and will provide the residents with suitable areas for recreation and leisure. The large front landscaped area will ensure a high quality front yard and suitable character is maintained. The front setback is capable of being provided with suitable planting to maintain a reasonable character for the area. The dwelling has a large front setback which will ensure the bulk of the built form is minimised from the road. The large site, with suitable dwelling design ensures there is no impact to amenity of adjoining properties with solar access maintained.

No clearing is required and any further planting is capable of maintaining a suitable character for the area which will enhance the built form. An appropriate stormwater system is designed to ensure the reduction of landscaped areas do not adversely impact upon the run off to adjoining properties. Soft surface areas for the site are reasonably maintained given the existing site conditions and this will ensure the bushland character is maintained.

The variation to the landscaped area will not result in any impact beyond that of a compliant proposal, and the landscaped areas provided are still able to maintain the objectives of the control. The landscaped areas remaining are considered more than reasonable to allow for a recreational areas. A landscaped buffer remains within the front yard and the reduced landscaped area will not detrimentally increase site density.

The landscaped area will be suitably provided to ensure the landscape character of the area is maintained. The site is considered to have suitable landscaped area that will provide suitable POS and recreational areas for the residents and maintain a suitable character and reduce built form. The variation will not result in any detrimental impact beyond that of a compliant proposal and as such, it is requested Councils consider the variation in this instance.

<u>D6.12 Fences</u> Fencing to be behind the building line.	N/A - Fencing not proposed as part of this proposal.	N/A
Max. height 1m above ground		

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Conclusion with respect to DCP Requirements

The proposed dwelling is considered to be appropriately designed and sited to achieve the objectives of the design provisions with Pittwater 21 Development Control Plan.

(b) Likely impacts of the development, including environmental impacts on both the natural and built environment of the locality.

The following matters are considered relevant when considering onsite impacts.

Siting and Design

The proposed two storey development will be compatible in terms of height, bulk and scale with surrounding developments within the area.

The siting of the dwelling provides generous boundary setbacks, contributing to spatial separation and openness between the dwellings. The articulated design of the dwelling will limit the impact on the adjacent properties in terms of bulk, privacy and overshadowing and will not dominate any perceived views enjoyed by others.

The front façade is appropriately articulated and contains a variety of roof forms and elements and a central entry feature. In this way, the proposal provides a clear definition of the entry and provides varied shadow lines due to the different construction elements and finishes.

Sedimentation Control

Due to the topography of the site, excavation will be required for the construction of a level building platform, as shown on the development plans. All disturbed areas will be provided with sedimentation controls in the form of geofabric fencing and/or stacked hay bales. Soil erosion control measures can easily be provided in accordance with Council's policy with compliance required as a condition of consent.

Waste Minimisation

All waste will be deposited within the waste receptacle in accordance with the waste management plan attached to this application.

Noise and Vibration

All work will be undertaken during hours specified within the development consent. No vibration damage is envisaged occur during construction.

(c) The suitability of the site for the development

The subject site is within a new residential area, within reasonable driving distance to local commercial, retail and transport facilities. The existing road network provides easy access to all locations.

The two storey dwelling, the subject of the application, can be constructed with all services necessary and has been designed to suit site constraints and the character of the surrounding residential setting.

The dwelling is permissible with development consent under the provisions of Pittwater LEP 2014, and generally satisfies the objectives of the relevant development control plans as discussed above.

(d) Any submissions made in accordance with this Act or the regulations

Council will consider any submissions received during the relevant notification period for this development application.

(e) Public interest

As this proposal can reasonably satisfy the objectives of all relevant planning instruments and development control plans, approval of the subject development is considered to be in the public interest.

CONCLUSION

The residential use of the site is permissible with development consent under the provisions of Pittwater LEP 2014 and can satisfy the objectives of the relevant development control plan.

It is considered that the construction of a new two storey dwelling will complement and blend with the existing, and likely future character of Ingleside. The proposal is not expected to have an adverse impact on the surrounding natural or built environment.

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