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RE: DA2021/1863 - 24 Capua Place AVALON BEACH NSW 2107

Comments on DA2021/1863 for 24 Capua Place, Avalon

From Jenny and Rose Cullen, 26 Capua Place

We have no objections to this DA.

We strongly support the protections listed in Council's Natural Environment Referral Response - Biodiversity covering the remnant bushland at the rear of the site which is Pittwater Spotted Gum Endangered Ecological Community with a magnificent old Angophora, wide range of local groundcovers, ferns and vines, and other moisture-loving trees such as turpentine, rosewood and Port Jackson fig.

We note the strong level of protection indicated in the Council Biodiversity report: "Protection of Habitat Features

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

From Stapleton Reserve, there is a steep cliff line running through the properties on Riviera, isolating the lower part of these blocks from their houses above and forming the area behind the houses along 36 - 22 Capua Place. The most intact native canopy and associated lower storey vegetation along this strip is in the undeveloped knoll in upper sections of 22 and 24 Capua Pl and lower sections of 27 - 33 Riviera. While there is some lower level weed invasion, there is rich native biodiversity and rocks and logs providing habitat. It provides a wildlife corridor along from Stapleton Reserve to Brindisi Reserve and does a great job of absorbing the significant flows of downslope stormwater.

We have been working to regenerate our block and surrounds with appropriate local species and are glad our neighbours at 24 Capua intend to do likewise.

How could Council assist owners in caring for this area?