

Natural Environment Referral Response - Biodiversity

Application Number:	DA2019/0639
Responsible Officer	Kelsey Wilkes
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 55 DP 10423 , 41 Bungan Head Road NEWPORT NSW 2106

Reasons for referral

This application seeks consent development on land, or within 40m of land, containing:

- All Development Applications on
- Actual or potential threatened species, populations, ecological communities, or their habitats;
- Wildlife corridors;
- Vegetation query stipulating that a Flora and Fauna Assessment is required;
- Vegetation query - X type located in both A & C Wards;

And as such, Council's Natural Environment Unit officers are required to consider the likely potential environmental impacts.

Officer comments

The development for alterations and additions to the existing dwelling, including new retaining walls in the rear of the property, does not require removal of native trees or vegetation. The works are predominately within the existing footprint, and will not have a significant impact to native vegetation, threatened species or their habitats. The site adjoins Bungan Head Reserve and Pittwater DCP B4.11 Land Adjoining Bushland Reserves applies. As the impact is minimal, the control does not apply except for conditioning, which requires the planting of two canopy trees or appropriate native vegetation and removal/ control of noxious and environmental weeds.

Referral Body Recommendation

Recommended for approval, subject to conditions

Recommended Natural Environment Conditions:

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

Control of Weeds

Prior to the completion of works, all priority weeds (as listed under the Biosecurity Act 2015) are to be removed/controlled within the subject site using an appropriately registered control method. Information on weeds of the Northern Beaches can be found at the NSW WeedWise website (<http://weeds.dpi.nsw.gov.au/>). All environmental weeds are to be removed and controlled. Refer to Council website http://www.pittwater.nsw.gov.au/environment/noxious_weeds

Reason: Weed management.

No Planting Environmental Weeds

No environmental weeds are to be planted on the site. Information on weeds of the Northern Beaches can be found at the NSW WeedWise website (<http://weeds.dpi.nsw.gov.au/>).

Reason: Weed management.

Provision of Canopy Trees or appropriate native vegetation

At least two (2) canopy trees or appropriate native vegetation is to be planted within the rear yard. Species selection is to incorporate locally native species. This planting is to be retained over the life of the development and replaced if they should die or be destroyed or removed.

Reason: To ensure the retention of the Urban Forest/Natural Environment.