

# Landscape Referral Response

Application Number:	DA2021/1334
Date:	24/08/2021
Responsible Officer:	Catriona Shirley
- ` ` ,	Lot 4 DP 30205, 50 Condover Street NORTH BALGOWLAH NSW 2093

#### Reasons for referral

This application seeks consent for the following:

- Construction / development works within 5 metres of a tree or
- New residential works with three or more dwellings. (RFB's, townhouses, seniors living, guesthouses, etc). or
- Mixed use developments containing three or more residential dwellings.
- New Dwellings or

#### Officer comments

The proposal is for the demolition of existing structures, and for a Community Title land subdivision from 1 lot into 2 lots, each with their own street frontage and separate vehicle access. A community lot (Lot 3) is proposed to accommodate inter-allotment drainage, and if necessary, utility services, from Lot 1 to Condover Street.

The application is assessed by Landscape Referral against Warringah Development Control Plan 2011, including but not limited to the following clauses:

- C1 Subdivision
- E1 Preservation of Trees or Bushland Vegetation

The existing site is a managed suburban garden with prominent landscape natural features such as rock outcrops and ledges retained by the subdivision proposal. One existing tree (T4 Port Jackson Fig) is found along the common boundary with 52 Condover Street, and otherwise existing trees are located within adjoining properties and within the road reserve. The subdivision proposal does not impact upon existing trees, and a Arboricultural Impact Assessment is provided with recommended tree protection measures.

The proposed stormwater easement identified as Lot 3 under the subdivision proposal is located along the boundary adjoining 52 Condover Street, and excavation for pits and lines are to be aligned within the easement zone to not impact upon neighbouring vegetation.

Landscape Referral raise no objections to the subdivision proposal.

The proposal is therefore supported.

Note: Should you have any concerns with the referral comments above, please discuss these with the Responsible Officer.

### **Recommended Landscape Conditions:**

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## CONDITIONS TO BE COMPLIED WITH DURING DEMOLITION AND BUILDING WORK

## **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 sites be uncovered during the carrying out of works, those works are to cease and Council, the NSW Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) and the Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council are to be contacted.

Reason: Preservation of significant environmental features.

## **Protection of Existing Street Trees**

All existing street trees in the vicinity of the works shall be retained during all construction stages in accordance with Section 4 of Australian Standard 4970-2009 Protection of Trees on Development Sites.

Should any problems arise with regard to the existing or proposed trees on public land during construction, Council's Tree Services section is to be contacted immediately to resolve the matter to Council's satisfaction and at the cost of the applicant.

Reason: Street tree protection.

## 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 ( $\emptyset$ ) 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 ( $\emptyset$ ) 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) or vi) 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

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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.
- c) Tree protection shall specifically be undertaken in accordance with the recommendations in the Arboricultural Impact Assessment.

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 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.

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