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Dear Mr Adler

## **Dune Management - Newport**

Council manages dunes in accordance with the *Northern Beaches Coastal Dune Management Strategy* (2020) (DMS). Council has an annual recurrent operational budget covering maintenance of all dunes throughout the LGA.

There are 16 dune bays at Newport Beach and the current maintenance program focusses on weed control only. Newport has an annual allocation of approximately \$15,000 for this activity.

There is currently no project plan or funding allocated to revegetation of dune areas at Newport, including the sites identified in the *Biodiversity Management Plan for Revegetation of Foredunes at Newport Beach* (GIS Environmental Consultants, October 2024) (BMP).

Council is able to implement the recommendations of the BMP in relation to revegetation of dunes as shown in BMP Map 1 Foredune Revegetation Areas if required as part of a condition of consent for the Newport SLSC development. The works would need to be funded as part of the development.

Should you require any further information or assistance in this matter, please contact my office on 8495 6745.

Yours faithfully

Jeremy Smith Executive Manager, Parks & Open Space