

## Natural Environment Referral Response - Biodiversity

<b>Application Number:</b>	DA2020/1351
<b>Date:</b>	06/01/2021
<b>Responsible Officer</b>	Lashta Haidari
<b>Land to be developed (Address):</b>	Lot 5 DP 229309 , 1 Bilambee Lane BILGOLA PLATEAU NSW 2107

### 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

Council's biodiversity referrals team have assessed this development application for compliance against relevant biodiversity legislation and controls, including the following:

#### **Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 (BC Act) Pittwater Local Environmental Plan (PLEP)**

- 7.6 Biodiversity Protection

#### **Pittwater Development Control Plan (PDCP)**

- B4.6 Wildlife Corridors

The application seeks to remove a single prescribed tree, *Callistemon salignus* (ref: Tree 1 ; Advanced Treescape Consulting 2020). To offset the removal of Tree 1, suitable replacement trees should be selected from the Pittwater Ward section of the Native Gardening Booklet available on Council's website (<https://www.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au/node/34932>).

Subject to conditions, Council's biodiversity referral team find the application to be consistent against relevant environmental controls.

The proposal is therefore supported.

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

**Recommended Natural Environment Conditions:**

**CONDITIONS TO BE SATISFIED PRIOR TO THE ISSUE OF THE CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATE**

**Amendment of Landscape Plans**

The submitted Landscape Plan is to be amended to include suitable replacement tree plantings from the Pittwater Ward of the Native Gardening Booklet available on Council's website (<https://www.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au/node/34932>).

The Landscape Plan is to be prepared by a suitably qualified landscape architect and provided to the Certifying Authority prior to issue of the Construction Certificate.

Reason: To offset the removal of a single prescribed tree *Callistemon salignus*.

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

**Dead or Injured Wildlife**

If construction activity associated with this development results in injury or death of a native mammal, bird, reptile or amphibian, a registered wildlife rescue and rehabilitation organisation must be contacted for advice.

Reason: To protect native wildlife.

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

**No Weeds on to the Site**

No Priority or environmental weeds are to be imported on to the site prior to or during construction works.

Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Principal Certifying Authority.

Reason: To reduce the risk of site works contributing to spread of Priority and environmental weeds.