

Natural Environment Referral Response - Biodiversity

Application Number:	DA2018/1820
Responsible Officer	David Auster
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 9 DP 8075 , 74 Bower Street MANLY NSW 2095

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 proposed development has been assessed against the following provisions:

- NSW Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016 (BC Act)
- Manly DCP Clause 5.4.2 (Threatened Species and Critical Habitat Lands)
- Manly LEP Clause 6.6 (Terrestrial Biodiversity)

The subject site is known habitat for the endangered population of long-nosed bandicoot at North Head. Accordingly, a five-part test is required to be prepared in accordance with the provisions of the NSW BC Act. Given that the proposal will have a minimal long-term impact on soft-open space, Council's Biodiversity Section has undertaken this assessment. The assessment concluded that, subject to conditions of consent, the proposal complies with the controls and is unlikely to result in a significant impact to the endangered population.

Referral Body Recommendation

Recommended for approval, subject to conditions

Recommended Natural Environment Conditions:

CONDITIONS TO BE COMPLIED WITH DURING DEMOLITION AND BUILDING WORK

Pre-clearance Survey Required – Bandicoot Habitat

A pre-clearance survey for Long-nosed Bandicoot activity and presence is required prior to the removal of any vegetation, material or debris stockpiles. Clearing may only proceed if the survey concludes that no Long-nosed Bandicoots are present within the area to be cleared. All clearing must initially be

carried out with hand tools to identify whether any bandicoots are sheltering within the area to be cleared (e.g. at the base of vegetation or under deep litter). Machinery may only be used once it has been confirmed that no bandicoots are sheltering within the area to be cleared. Clearing must be carried out at dusk and completed within one day so that bandicoots do not reoccupy partially cleared areas overnight. A record of each inspection is to be made in the daily inspection register log-book. The log-book is to be made available to the Principal Certifying Authority.

Reason: To avoid injury or death of Long-nosed Bandicoots which may be utilising stockpiles of vegetation, materials or debris.

Report Dead or Injured Bandicoots – Bandicoot Habitat

Any injured or dead Long-nosed Bandicoots found within the worksite must be reported to the National Parks & Wildlife Service (9457 9577) or Northern Beaches Council (1300 434 434).

Reason: To prevent impacts to Long-nosed Bandicoots in accordance with the Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016.

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

Dead or Injured Wildlife – Manly LEP Clause 6.5

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 mitigate potential impacts to native wildlife resulting from construction activity.