

Natural Environment Referral Response - Biodiversity

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| Application Number: | DA2021/0426 |
| Date: | 03/06/2021 |
| Responsible Officer | Gareth David |
| Land to be developed (Address): | Lot 22 DP 271139 , 4 Bubalo Street WARRIEWOOD NSW 2102 |

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

Updated Biodiversity Comments (3rd June 2021)

The Arboricultural Impact Assessment (NSW Trees Arboricultural Consultants, June 2021) identifies that both *Eucalyptus robusta* (Swamp Mahogany) located within the site will require removal in order to facilitate the proposed development. The Arborist has identified that the trees are fair and fair/poor respectively. Two (2) replacement Swamp Mahogany trees are required to be planted within the rear yard to compensate for the loss of canopy trees.

Subject to these conditions of consent, Council's Biodiversity referrals team raise no objection to the proposed development.

Existing Biodiversity Comments (28th May 2021)

Council's Biodiversity referrals team have reviewed the Development Application for compliance against the following biodiversity related provisions:

- Pittwater LEP cl. 7.6 Biodiversity Protection
- Coastal Management SEPP 2018 cl. Development on land in proximity to coastal wetlands

Council's Landscape referrals team have requested that an Arboricultural Impact Assessment be submitted with the application in accordance with Northern Beaches Council's DA Lodgement Requirements.

At this stage Council's Biodiversity referrals team have insufficient information to continue with the

assessment of the Development Application. Upon receipt of the Arboricultural Impact Assessment, assessment will recommence.

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

No Clearing of Vegetation

Unless otherwise exempt, no vegetation is to be cleared prior to issue of a Construction Certificate.

Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Certifying Authority prior to issue of Construction Certificate.

Reason: To protect native vegetation.

CONDITIONS THAT MUST BE ADDRESSED PRIOR TO ANY COMMENCEMENT

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.

CONDITIONS WHICH MUST BE COMPLIED WITH PRIOR TO THE ISSUE OF THE OCCUPATION CERTIFICATE

Replacement of Canopy Trees

At least 2 locally native canopy trees are to be planted on site to replace protected trees approved for removal. Species are to have a minimum mature height of 8.5m and be reflective of that which was removed - Swamp Mahogany.

Tree plantings are to be retained for the life of the development and/or for their safe natural life. Trees that die or are removed must be replaced with another locally native canopy tree.

Replacement plantings are to be certified as being completed in accordance with these conditions of consent by a qualified landscape architect, and details submitted to the Principal Certifying Authority prior to issue of any Occupation Certificate.

Reason: To establish appropriate native landscaping.

No Weeds Imported On To The Site

No Priority or environmental weeds (as specified on the NSW WeedWise website) 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 prior to issue of any Occupation Certificate.

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