

Natural Environment Referral Response - Biodiversity

Application Number:	Mod2020/0589
Date:	02/12/2020
Responsible Officer	Kelsey Wilkes
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 19 DP 209443 , 62 Riviera Avenue AVALON BEACH 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

The proposed development has been assessed against the following biodiversity-related provisions:

- Pittwater LEP Clause 7.6 (Biodiversity Protection)
- Pittwater DCP Clause B4.6 (Wildlife Corridors)

The proposed new retaining wall will significantly impact the existing tree located on the north western boundary adjacent to the proposed garage. The location of the retaining will likely impact the structural root zone of the tree, information needs to be provided by the applicant to appropriately assess this impact. The proposal cannot be supported as the information provide does not exemplify compliance with the relevant biodiversity controls.

The proposal is therefore unsupported.

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

Recommended Natural Environment Conditions:

Nil.