

# **DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION ASSESSMENT REPORT**

Application Number:	DA2024/0924	
Responsible Officer:	Michael French	
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 66 DP 11162, 28 Alto Avenue SEAFORTH NSW 2092	
Proposed Development:	Alterations and additions to a dwelling house	
Zoning:	Manly LEP2013 - Land zoned R2 Low Density Residential	
Development Permissible:	Yes	
Existing Use Rights:	No	
Consent Authority:	Northern Beaches Council	
Land and Environment Court Action:	No	
Applicant:	Roger Dennis O'Sullivan	
Application Lodged:	16/07/2024	
Integrated Development:	No	
Designated Development:	No	
State Reporting Category:	Residential - Alterations and additions	
Notified:	23/07/2024 to 06/08/2024	
Advertised:	Not Advertised	
Submissions Received:	2	
Clause 4.6 Variation:	Nil	
Recommendation:	Approval	
Clause 4.6 Variation:	Nil	

\$ 385,000.00

# PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT IN DETAIL

The applicant seeks development consent for the following:

Alterations to the ground floor that includes:

- Internal demolition works.

**Estimated Cost of Works:** 

- Extension of the living room to the northern corner of the site.
- Staircase that leads to the floor above.

Addition of a first floor that consists of:

- Master bedroom with adjoining WIR and ensuite.
- Two (2) additional bedrooms.
- Staircase that leads to the floor below.

# **ASSESSMENT INTRODUCTION**

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The application has been assessed in accordance with the requirements of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 and the associated Regulations. In this regard:

- An assessment report and recommendation has been prepared (the subject of this report) taking into account all relevant provisions of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, and the associated regulations;
- A site inspection was conducted and consideration has been given to the impacts of the development upon the subject site and adjoining, surrounding and nearby properties;
- Notification to adjoining and surrounding properties, advertisement (where required) and referral to relevant internal and external bodies in accordance with the Act, Regulations and relevant Development Control Plan:
- A review and consideration of all submissions made by the public and community interest groups in relation to the application;
- A review and consideration of all documentation provided with the application (up to the time of determination);
- A review and consideration of all referral comments provided by the relevant Council Officers, State Government Authorities/Agencies and Federal Government Authorities/Agencies on the proposal.

## SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT ISSUES

Manly Development Control Plan - 4.1.4 Setbacks (front, side and rear) and Building Separation Manly Development Control Plan - 4.1.5 Open Space and Landscaping Manly Development Control Plan - 4.1.6 Parking, Vehicular Access and Loading (Including Bicycle Facilities)

## SITE DESCRIPTION

Property Description:	Lot 66 DP 11162, 28 Alto Avenue SEAFORTH NSW 2092
Detailed Site Description:	The subject site consists of one (1) allotment located on the western side of Alto Avenue.
	The site is regular in shape with a frontage of 10.06m along Alto Avenue and a depth of 40.21m. The site has a surveyed area of 404.4m².
	The site is located within the R2 Low Density Residential zone pursuant to the Manly Local Environmental Plan 2013 and accommodates a single storey dwelling with a detached garage to the front of the site.
	The site has a mild downward slope toward the eastern front of the site.
	The site has a mix of vegetation throughout. There are no details of any threatened species on site.
	Detailed Description of Adjoining/Surrounding Development

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Adjoining and surrounding development is characterised by a mix of dwellings within an R2 Low Density Residential zone.

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## SITE HISTORY

A search of Council's records has revealed that there are no recent or relevant applications for this site.

The land has been used for residential purposes for an extended period of time.

# **ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT, 1979 (EPAA)**

The relevant matters for consideration under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979, are:

Section 4.15 Matters for Consideration	Comments
Section 4.15 (1) (a)(i) – Provisions of any environmental planning instrument	See discussion on "Environmental Planning Instruments" in this report.
Section 4.15 (1) (a)(ii) – Provisions of any draft environmental planning instrument	There are no current draft environmental planning instruments.
Section 4.15 (1) (a)(iii) – Provisions of any development control plan	Manly Development Control Plan applies to this proposal.
Section 4.15 (1) (a)(iiia) – Provisions of any planning	None applicable.

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Section 4.15 Matters for	Comments
Consideration	
agreement	
Section 4.15 (1) (a)(iv) – Provisions of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021 (EP&A Regulation 2021)	Part 4, Division 2 of the EP&A Regulation 2021 requires the consent authority to consider "Prescribed conditions" of development consent. These matters have been addressed via a condition of consent.  Clauses 36 and 94 of the EP&A Regulation 2021 allow Council to request additional information. No additional information was requested in this case.
	Clause 61 of the EP&A Regulation 2021 requires the consent authority to consider AS 2601 - 1991: The Demolition of Structures. This matter has been addressed via a condition of consent.
	Clause 69 of the EP&A Regulation 2021 requires the consent authority to consider insurance requirements under the Home Building Act 1989. This matter has been addressed via a condition of consent.
	Clause 69 of the EP&A Regulation 2021 requires the consent authority to consider the provisions of the Building Code of Australia (BCA). This matter has been addressed via a condition of consent.
Section 4.15 (1) (b) – the likely impacts of the development, including environmental impacts on the natural and built environment and social	(i) Environmental Impact The environmental impacts of the proposed development on the natural and built environment are addressed under the Manly Development Control Plan section in this report.
and economic impacts in the locality	(ii) <b>Social Impact</b> The proposed development will not have a detrimental social impact in the locality considering the character of the proposal.
	(iii) <b>Economic Impact</b> The proposed development will not have a detrimental economic impact on the locality considering the nature of the existing and proposed land use.
Section 4.15 (1) (c) – the suitability of the site for the development	The site is considered suitable for the proposed development.
Section 4.15 (1) (d) – any submissions made in accordance with the EPA Act or EPA Regs	See discussion on "Notification & Submissions Received" in this report.
Section 4.15 (1) (e) – the public interest	No matters have arisen in this assessment that would justify the refusal of the application in the public interest.

# **EXISTING USE RIGHTS**

Existing Use Rights are not applicable to this application.

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## **BUSHFIRE PRONE LAND**

The site is classified as bush fire prone land. Section 4.14 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 requires Council to be satisfied that the development conforms to the specifications and requirements of the version (as prescribed by the regulations) of the document entitled Planning for Bush Fire Protection.

A Bush Fire Report was submitted with the application that included a certificate (prepared by Bushfire Consultancy Australia, dated 5 July 2024) stating that the development conforms to the relevant specifications and requirements within Planning for Bush Fire Protection. The recommendations of the Bush Fire Report have been included as conditions of consent.

## **NOTIFICATION & SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED**

The subject application has been publicly exhibited from 23/07/2024 to 06/08/2024 in accordance with the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021 and the Community Participation Plan.

As a result of the public exhibition process council is in receipt of 2 submission/s from:

Name:	Address:
Claire Howell	Address Unknown
Ms Madeleine Louise Hammond	26 Alto Avenue SEAFORTH NSW 2092

The following issues were raised in the submissions:

- Clause 6.4 Stormwater management
- Clause 3.4.2 Privacy and Security
- Clause 4.1.4 Setbacks (front, side and rear) and Building Separation/ Clause 3.4.1 Sunlight Access and Overshadowing

The above issues are addressed as follows:

## Clause 6.4 Stormwater management

The submissions raised concerns that the stormwater plans inaccurately depict the location of the dividing fence and stormwater pipe relative to the southern boundary. The submission notes that the stormwater pipe runs along the length of the southern boundary but is incorrectly positioned according to the current plans. The objector requests a condition requiring all stormwater works to remain entirely within the boundaries of the development site.

#### Comment:

All works must legally be carried out within the boundaries of the subject site. This consent does not grant permission for any work to be conducted on neighboring properties.

Additionally, the following conditions of consent have been included to ensure the proposal complies with Council's Water Management for Development Policy.

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# Stormwater Drainage Disposal

The stormwater drainage systems for the development are to be designed, installed and maintained in accordance with Council's Water Management for Development Policy.

All stormwater drainage systems must comply with the requirements of Council's Water Management for Development Policy. Any recommendations identified within a Geotechnical Report relevant to the development are to be incorporated into the design of the stormwater drainage system. Details demonstrating compliance from a qualified and practising Civil Engineer and where relevant a Geotechnical Engineer must be submitted to and approved by the Certifier prior to the issue of a Construction Certificate.

When the proposed discharge point for the development in this consent cannot strictly comply with the Water Management for Development Policy, the Applicant must apply to verify the proposed discharge point by gaining Council approval via a Stormwater Drainage Application. Council approval must be provided to the Certifier prior to the issue of a Construction Certificate when a Stormwater Drainage Application is required. The Stormwater Drainage Application form can be found on Council's website.

Compliance with this condition must not result in variations to the approved development or additional tree removal.

Reason: To ensure satisfactory management of stormwater.

#### Stormwater Drainage Disposal Certification

Certification from an appropriately qualified and practising Civil Engineer demonstrating the stormwater drainage systems have been designed and installed in accordance with the requirements of Council's Water Management for Development Policy and where relevant a Geotechnical Engineer shall be provided to the Principal Certifier prior to the issue of an Occupation Certificate, and;

If any on site stormwater detention system is installed the Applicant shall lodge the Legal Documents Authorisation Application with Council.

The application is to include the completed request forms (NSW Land Registry standard forms 13PC and/or 13RPA) and a copy of the Works-as-Executed plan (details overdrawn on a copy of the approved drainage plan), hydraulic engineers' certification. A guide to the process and associated Legal Document Authorisation Application form can be found on Council's website The Applicant shall create on the Title a positive covenant in respect to the ongoing maintenance and restriction as to user over the on-site stormwater detention system within this development consent.

The terms of the positive covenant and restriction are to be prepared to Council's standard requirements at the applicant's expense and endorsed by Northern Beaches Council's delegate prior to lodgement with the NSW Land Registry Services. Northern Beaches Council shall be nominated as the authority to release, vary or modify such covenant. A copy of the certificate of title demonstrating the creation of the positive covenant and restriction as to user for the on-site stormwater detention system is to be submitted.

Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Principal Certifier prior to the issue of an Occupation Certificate.

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Reason: To ensure satisfactory management of stormwater.

## Clause 3.4.2 Privacy and Security

The submissions raised concerns that the proposed upper-level windows (W3, W4, W5, W8, W9, and W10) on both elevations, along with the first-floor balcony, would cause unreasonable privacy impacts on the neighboring properties.

## Comment:

The location of the balcony adjoining the upper-floor master bedroom is considered acceptable in this instance. Its modest size and orientation toward the street ensures that any privacy impacts will not be unreasonable or unexpected within a residential setting.

In response to concerns raised about the upper-floor windows, the following condition of consent has been added:

## Amendments to the approved plans

The following amendments are to be made to the approved plans:

The upper-floor windows for Bedroom 5 and Bedroom 3 (Windows W4 and W8) must be modified to have a minimum sill height of 1.6 meters.

Details confirming compliance with this requirement must be submitted to the Certifier prior to the issuance of the Construction Certificate.

Reason: To protect the privacy of neighboring properties by preventing overlooking.

# Clause 4.1.4 Setbacks (front, side and rear) and Building Separation/ Clause 3.4.1 Sunlight Access and Overshadowing

The submissions raised concerns that the southern side setback does not comply with relevant DCP requirement, as it is less than one-third of the wall height. The objections note that this non-compliance increases the bulk and scale of the development, impacting the amenity of the neighboring property. Additionally, the development's orientation towards the southern boundary contributes to overshadowing of the neighboring private open space and living room, further compromising both solar access and privacy.

#### Comment:

Assessment against the objectives of *Clause 4.1.4 Setbacks (front, side and rear) and Building Separation* is detailed elsewhere within this report. The proposal is considered supportable in this regard.

The proposal was accompanied by Certified Shadow Diagrams that depict compliance with the requirements of *Clause 3.4.1 Sunlight Access and Overshadowing*.

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#### **REFERRALS**

External Referral Body	Comments
and Infrastructure) 2021, s2.48	The proposal was referred to Ausgrid who provided a response stating that the proposal is acceptable subject to compliance with the relevant Ausgrid Network Standards and SafeWork NSW Codes of Practice. These recommendations will be included as a condition of consent.

# **ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING INSTRUMENTS (EPIs)\***

All, Environmental Planning Instruments (SEPPs and LEPs), Development Controls Plans and Council Policies have been considered in the merit assessment of this application.

In this regard, whilst all provisions of each Environmental Planning Instruments (SEPPs and LEPs), Development Controls Plans and Council Policies have been considered in the assessment, many provisions contained within the document are not relevant or are enacting, definitions and operational provisions which the proposal is considered to be acceptable against.

As such, an assessment is provided against the controls relevant to the merit consideration of the application hereunder.

# State Environmental Planning Policies (SEPPs) and State Regional Environmental Plans (SREPs)

# SEPP (Sustainable Buildings) 2022

A BASIX certificate has been submitted with the application (see Certificate No. A509956\_02 dated 28 June 2024).

A condition has been included in the recommendation of this report requiring compliance with the commitments indicated in the BASIX Certificate.

## SEPP (Transport and Infrastructure) 2021

## **Ausgrid**

Section 2.48 of Chapter 2 requires the Consent Authority to consider any development application (or an application for modification of consent) for any development carried out:

- within or immediately adjacent to an easement for electricity purposes (whether or not the electricity infrastructure exists).
- immediately adjacent to an electricity substation.
- within 5.0m of an overhead power line.
- includes installation of a swimming pool any part of which is: within 30m of a structure supporting an overhead electricity transmission line and/or within 5.0m of an overhead electricity power line.

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The proposal was referred to Ausgrid who raised no objections.

# SEPP (Resilience and Hazards) 2021

# **Chapter 4 – Remediation of Land**

Sub-section 4.6 (1)(a) of Chapter 4 requires the Consent Authority to consider whether land is contaminated. Council records indicate that the subject site has been used for residential purposes for a significant period of time with no prior land uses. In this regard it is considered that the site poses no risk of contamination and therefore, no further consideration is required under sub-section 4.6 (1)(b) and (c) of this Chapter and the land is considered to be suitable for the residential land use.

# **Manly Local Environmental Plan 2013**

Is the development permissible?	Yes	
After consideration of the merits of the proposal, is the development consistent with:		
aims of the LEP?	Yes	
zone objectives of the LEP?	Yes	

# Principal Development Standards

Standard	Requirement	Proposed	% Variation	Complies
Height of Buildings:	8.5m	8.3m	N/A	Yes
Floor Space Ratio	FSR: 0.45:1	FSR: 0.38:1 (197m <sup>2</sup> )	N/A	Yes

Compliance Assessment

Clause	Compliance with Requirements
4.3 Height of buildings	Yes
4.4 Floor space ratio	Yes
4.5 Calculation of floor space ratio and site area	Yes
6.2 Earthworks	Yes
6.4 Stormwater management	Yes
6.8 Landslide risk	Yes
6.12 Essential services	Yes

## **Manly Development Control Plan**

#### **Built Form Controls**

Built Form Controls - Site Area: 520m <sup>2</sup>	Requirement	Proposed	% Variation*	Complies
4.1.2.1 Wall Height	N: 7.1m (based on gradient 1:10)	complies	N/A	Yes

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	S: 7.1m (based on gradient 1:10)	complies	N/A	Yes
4.1.2.2 Number of Storeys	2	2	N/A	Yes
4.1.2.3 Roof Height	Height: 2.5m	complies	N/A	Yes
	Parapet Height: 0.6m	complies	N/A	Yes
	Pitch: maximum 35 degrees	complies	N/A	Yes
4.1.4.1 Street Front Setbacks	Prevailing building line / 6m	4.985m, consistent with prevailing setback	N/A	Yes
4.1.4.2 Side Setbacks and Secondary Street Frontages	2.6m (based on wall height)(north)	2.8m	N/A	Yes
	2.6m (based on wall height)(south)	2.1m	19.2%	No
	Windows: 3m	2.1m	10%	No
4.1.4.4 Rear Setbacks	8m	>8m	N/A	Yes
4.1.5.1 Minimum Residential Total Open Space	Open space 55% of site area	existing- unchanged	N/A	Yes
Requirements Residential Open Space Area: OS3	Open space above ground 25% of total open space	existing- unchanged	N/A	Yes
4.1.5.2 Landscaped Area	Landscaped area 35% of open space	existing- unchanged	N/A	Yes
	3 native trees	unchanged	N/A	Yes
4.1.5.3 Private Open Space	18sqm per dwelling	complies	N/A	Yes
Schedule 3 Parking and Access	Dwelling 2 spaces	1 space	50%	No

Compliance Assessment

Clause	Compliance with Requirements	Consistency Aims/Objectives
3.1 Streetscapes and Townscapes	Yes	Yes
3.1.1 Streetscape (Residential areas)	Yes	Yes
3.3.1 Landscaping Design	Yes	Yes
3.3.2 Preservation of Trees or Bushland Vegetation	Yes	Yes
3.4 Amenity (Views, Overshadowing, Overlooking /Privacy, Noise)	Yes	Yes
3.4.1 Sunlight Access and Overshadowing	Yes	Yes
3.4.2 Privacy and Security	Yes	Yes
3.4.3 Maintenance of Views	Yes	Yes
3.4.4 Other Nuisance (Odour, Fumes etc.)	Yes	Yes
3.5 Sustainability - (Greenhouse Energy Efficiency, Thermal Performance, and Water Sensitive Urban Design)	Yes	Yes
3.5.1 Solar Access	Yes	Yes

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Clause	Compliance with Requirements	Consistency Aims/Objectives
3.5.3 Ventilation	Yes	Yes
3.5.5 Landscaping	Yes	Yes
3.5.7 Building Construction and Design	Yes	Yes
3.6 Accessibility	Yes	Yes
3.7 Stormwater Management	Yes	Yes
3.8 Waste Management	Yes	Yes
3.10 Safety and Security	Yes	Yes
4.1 Residential Development Controls	Yes	Yes
4.1.1 Dwelling Density, Dwelling Size and Subdivision	Yes	Yes
4.1.1.1 Residential Density and Dwelling Size	Yes	Yes
4.1.2 Height of Buildings (Incorporating Wall Height, Number of Storeys & Roof Height)	Yes	Yes
4.1.3 Floor Space Ratio (FSR)	Yes	Yes
4.1.4 Setbacks (front, side and rear) and Building Separation	No	Yes
4.1.5 Open Space and Landscaping	N/A	Yes
4.1.6 Parking, Vehicular Access and Loading (Including Bicycle Facilities)	No	Yes
4.1.7 First Floor and Roof Additions	Yes	Yes
4.1.8 Development on Sloping Sites	Yes	Yes
4.4.1 Demolition	Yes	Yes
4.4.2 Alterations and Additions	Yes	Yes
4.4.5 Earthworks (Excavation and Filling)	Yes	Yes
Schedule 1 – Maps accompanying the DCP	Yes	Yes

# **Detailed Assessment**

# 4.1.4 Setbacks (front, side and rear) and Building Separation

# **Description of non-compliance**

Clause 4.1.4.2 Side setbacks and secondary street frontages requires the following:

- Built structures are setback a minimum of one third of the height of the adjacent external wall of the proposed building.
- All new windows from habitable dwellings of dwellings that face the side boundary are to be setback at least 3m from side boundaries.

The proposal requires a southern side setback of 2.6m. The development proposes a setback of 2.1m, causing a 19.2% variation.

The development also maintains the existing non-compliance regarding the setback of windows.

The proposed works within the side setback area are considered to have an acceptable impact upon

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the streetscape character, as well up adjacent and surrounding dwellings. Given that the works forming a non-compliance are not deemed excessive and do not propose an unreasonable amenity impact in this instance, strict compliance with the requirements of this clause is not required, subject to the proposal meeting the objectives of the clause. In this regard, assessment against the objectives of this clause is conducted below.

## Merit consideration:

With regard to the consideration for a variation, the development is considered against the underlying Objectives of the Control as follows:

Objective 1) To maintain and enhance the existing streetscape including the desired spatial proportions of the street, the street edge and the landscape character of the street.

#### Comment:

The proposal is considered to sufficiently maintain and enhance the existing streetscape, encompassing the desired spatial proportions of the street, street edge, and landscape character.

Objective 2) To ensure and enhance local amenity by:

- providing privacy;
- providing equitable access to light, sunshine and air movement; and
- facilitating view sharing and maintaining adequate space between buildings to limit impacts on views and vistas from private and public spaces.
- defining and adding character to the streetscape including the provision of adequate space between buildings to create a rhythm or pattern of spaces; and
- facilitating safe and adequate traffic conditions including levels of visibility around corner lots at the street intersection.

#### Comment:

The bulk and scale of the built form is minimised/softened by the site topography. The proposal does not unreasonably increase the bulk and scale of the dwelling, and as such, will not unreasonably minimise equitable access to light, sunshine and air movement. The siting of the proposed works provides sufficient space/screening to and from surrounding and adjacent properties. The proposed development is not considered to unreasonably impact view sharing. The proposed works will not adversely impact traffic conditions.

Objective 3) To promote flexibility in the siting of buildings.

#### Comment:

The development is not considered to have any impact on access within the site. The proposed works are not considered to unreasonably impact amenity.

Objective 4) To enhance and maintain natural features by:

- accommodating planting, including deep soil zones, vegetation consolidated across sites, native vegetation and native trees;
- ensuring the nature of development does not unduly detract from the context of the site and particularly in relation to the nature of any adjoining Open Space lands and National Parks; and
- ensuring the provisions of State Environmental Planning Policy No 19 Urban Bushland are satisfied.

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# Comment:

All mature canopy trees and vegetation are proposed to remain on site. The nature of development is not considered to unduly detract from the context of the site. It is considered that the *provisions of State Environmental Planning Policy No 19 - Urban Bushland* have been adequately satisfied.

Objective 5) To assist in appropriate bush fire asset protection zones.

#### Comment:

The development is considered to adequately assist in appropriate bush fire asset protection zones.

Having regard to the above assessment, it is concluded that the proposed development is consistent with the relevant objectives of MLEP 2013 / MDCP and the objectives specified in section 1.3(a) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979. Accordingly, this assessment finds that the proposal is supported, in this particular circumstance.

## 4.1.5 Open Space and Landscaping

The application was not accompanied by a detailed by a detailed Open Space and Landscaped calculation plan. However, as there will be no change to the existing calculations, the calculation plan was not requested or required in this instance.

# 4.1.6 Parking, Vehicular Access and Loading (Including Bicycle Facilities)

Whilst the proposal is numerically inconsistent with Schedule 3 of MDCP 2013 that requires two (2) parking spaces, the provision of a second car parking space within the subject site is not required in this instance as the proposed works do not generate a demand for additional car parking.

Additionally, it is considered that there is adequate on-street parking available to fulfil the needs of the residents.

In this regard, it is considered acceptable that the proposal does not increase the amount of parking available on the site.

#### THREATENED SPECIES, POPULATIONS OR ECOLOGICAL COMMUNITIES

The proposal will not significantly affect threatened species, populations or ecological communities, or their habitats.

# **CRIME PREVENTION THROUGH ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN**

The proposal is consistent with the principles of Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design.

#### **POLICY CONTROLS**

# Northern Beaches Section 7.12 Contributions Plan 2022

The proposal is subject to the application of Northern Beaches Section 7.12 Contributions Plan 2022.

A monetary contribution of \$3,850 is required for the provision of new and augmented public infrastructure. The contribution is calculated as 1% of the total development cost of \$385,000.

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## CONCLUSION

The site has been inspected and the application assessed having regard to all documentation submitted by the applicant and the provisions of:

- Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979;
- Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021;
- All relevant and draft Environmental Planning Instruments;
- Manly Local Environment Plan;
- Manly Development Control Plan; and
- Codes and Policies of Council.

This assessment has taken into consideration the submitted plans, Statement of Environmental Effects, all other documentation supporting the application and public submissions, and does not result in any unreasonable impacts on surrounding, adjoining, adjacent and nearby properties subject to the conditions contained within the recommendation.

In consideration of the proposal and the merit consideration of the development, the proposal is considered to be:

- Consistent with the objectives of the DCP
- Consistent with the zone objectives of the LEP
- Consistent with the aims of the LEP
- Consistent with the objectives of the relevant EPIs
- Consistent with the objects of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979

It is considered that the proposed development satisfies the appropriate controls and that all processes and assessments have been satisfactorily addressed.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

THAT Council as the consent authority grant Development Consent to DA2024/0924 for Alterations and additions to a dwelling house on land at Lot 66 DP 11162, 28 Alto Avenue, SEAFORTH, subject to the conditions printed below:

## **Terms and Reasons for Conditions**

Under section 88(1)(c) of the EP&A Regulation, the consent authority must provide the terms of all conditions and reasons for imposing the conditions other than the conditions prescribed under section 4.17(11) of the EP&A Act. The terms of the conditions and reasons are set out below.

# **GENERAL CONDITIONS**

# 1. Approved Plans and Supporting Documentation

Development must be carried out in accordance with the following approved plans (stamped by Council) and supporting documentation, except where the conditions of this consent expressly

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# require otherwise.

Approve	Approved Plans						
Plan Number	Revision Number	Plan Title	Drawn By	Date of Plan			
A01	-	SITE PLANS	Roger O'Sullivan	9 July 2024			
A03	-	FLOOR PLANS	Roger O'Sullivan	9 July 2024			
A04	-	FLOOR PLANS	Roger O'Sullivan	9 July 2024			
A05	-	FLOOR PLANS	Roger O'Sullivan	9 July 2024			
A06	-	FLOOR PLANS	Roger O'Sullivan	9 July 2024			
A07	-	ELEVATIONS	Roger O'Sullivan	9 July 2024			
A08	-	ELEVATIONS	Roger O'Sullivan	9 July 2024			
A09	-	ROOF STRUCTURE	Roger O'Sullivan	9 July 2024			
A10	-	SECTIONS	Roger O'Sullivan	9 July 2024			
A11	-	SECTIONS	Roger O'Sullivan	9 July 2024			
A12	-	STAIRCASE	Roger O'Sullivan	9 July 2024			
A13	-	BATHROOM DETAIL	Roger O'Sullivan	9 July 2024			
A14	-	LIGHTING PLAN	Roger O'Sullivan	9 July 2024			
A15	-	WINDOW AND DOOR SCHEDULE	Roger O'Sullivan	9 July 2024			
A20	-	SCHEDULE OF COLOURS AND MATERIALS	Roger O'Sullivan	9 July 2024			

Approved Reports and Documentation			
Document Title	Version Number	Prepared By	Date of Document
Geotechnical Report	-	Ascent Geo	25 June 2024
BASIX Certificate	A509956_02	Roger O'Sullivan	28 June 2024
Bushfire Report	-	Bushfire Consultancy Australia	8 June 2024
Waste Management Plan	-	-	-

In the event of any inconsistency between the approved plans, reports and documentation, the approved plans prevail.

In the event of any inconsistency between the approved plans and a condition of this consent, the condition prevails.

Reason: To ensure all parties are aware of the approved plans and supporting documentation that applies to the development.

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## 2. Compliance with Other Department, Authority or Service Requirements

The development must be carried out in compliance with all recommendations and requirements, excluding general advice, within the following:

Other Department, Authority or Service	EDMS Reference	Dated
Ausgrid	Ausgrid Referral Response	undated

(NOTE: For a copy of the above referenced document/s, please see Application Tracking on Council's website <a href="https://www.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au">www.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au</a>)

Reason: To ensure the work is carried out in accordance with the determination and the statutory requirements of other departments, authorities or bodies.

## 3. Prescribed Conditions

- (a) All building works must be carried out in accordance with the requirements of the Building Code of Australia (BCA).
- (b) BASIX affected development must comply with the schedule of BASIX commitments specified within the submitted BASIX Certificate (demonstrated compliance upon plans/specifications is required prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate);
- (c) A sign must be erected in a prominent position on any site on which building work, subdivision work or demolition work is being carried out:
  - (i) showing the name, address and telephone number of the Principal Certifier for the work, and
  - (ii) showing the name of the principal contractor (if any) for any building work and a telephone number on which that person may be contacted outside working hours, and
  - (iii) stating that unauthorised entry to the work site is prohibited.

Any such sign is to be maintained while the building work, subdivision work or demolition work is being carried out, but must be removed when the work has been completed.

- (d) Residential building work within the meaning of the Home Building Act 1989 must not be carried out unless the Principal Certifier for the development to which the work relates (not being the Council) has given the Council written notice of the following information:
  - (i) in the case of work for which a principal contractor is required to be appointed:
    - A. the name and licence number of the principal contractor, and
    - B. the name of the insurer by which the work is insured under Part 6 of that Act,
  - (ii) in the case of work to be done by an owner-builder:
    - A. the name of the owner-builder, and
    - B. if the owner-builder is required to hold an owner-builder permit under that Act, the number of the owner-builder permit.

If arrangements for doing the residential building work are changed while the work is in progress so that the information notified under becomes out of date, further work must not be carried out unless the Principal Certifier for the development to which the work relates (not being the Council) has given the Council written notice of the updated information.

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- (e) Development that involves an excavation that extends below the level of the base of the footings of a building on adjoining land, the person having the benefit of the development consent must, at the person's own expense:
  - (i) protect and support the adjoining premises from possible damage from the excavation, and
  - (ii) where necessary, underpin the adjoining premises to prevent any such damage.
  - (iii) must, at least 7 days before excavating below the level of the base of the footings of a building on an adjoining allotment of land, give notice of intention to do so to the owner of the adjoining allotment of land and furnish particulars of the excavation to the owner of the building being erected or demolished.
  - (iv) the owner of the adjoining allotment of land is not liable for any part of the cost of work carried out for the purposes of this clause, whether carried out on the allotment of land being excavated or on the adjoining allotment of land.

In this clause, allotment of land includes a public road and any other public place.

Reason: Legislative requirement.

## 4. General Requirements

(a) Unless authorised by Council:

Building construction and delivery of material hours are restricted to:

- 7.00 am to 5.00 pm inclusive Monday to Friday,
- 8.00 am to 1.00 pm inclusive on Saturday,
- No work on Sundays and Public Holidays.

Demolition and excavation works are restricted to:

• 8.00 am to 5.00 pm Monday to Friday only.

(Excavation work includes the use of any excavation machinery and the use of jackhammers, rock breakers, excavators, loaders and the like, regardless of whether the activities disturb or alter the natural state of the existing ground stratum or are breaking up/removing materials from the site).

- (b) Construction certificate plans are to be in accordance with all finished levels identified on approved plans. Notes attached to plans indicating tolerances to levels are not approved.
- (c) Should any asbestos be uncovered on site, its demolition and removal must be carried out in accordance with WorkCover requirements and the relevant Australian Standards.
- (d) At all times after the submission of the Notice of Commencement to Council, a copy of the Development Consent and Construction Certificate is to remain onsite at all times until the issue of an Occupation Certificate. The consent shall be available for perusal of any Authorised Officer.
- (e) Where demolition works have been completed and new construction works have not commenced within 4 weeks of the completion of the demolition works that area affected by the demolition works shall be fully stabilised and the site must be maintained in a safe and clean state until such time as new construction works commence.
- (f) Onsite toilet facilities (being either connected to the sewer or an accredited sewer management facility) for workers are to be provided for construction sites at a rate of 1

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per 20 persons.

- (g) Prior to the release of the Construction Certificate, payment of the following is required:
  - i) Long Service Levy Payment should be made to Service NSW (online or in person) or alternatively to Northern Beaches Council in person at a Customer Service Centre. Payment is not required where the value of the works is less than \$250,000. The Long Service Levy is calculated on 0.25% of the building and construction work. The levy rate and level in which it applies is subject to legislative change. The applicable fee at the time of payment of the Long Service Levy will apply.
  - ii) Section 7.11 or Section 7.12 Contributions Plan Payment must be made to Northern Beaches Council. Where the subject land to which the development is proposed is subject to either a Section 7.11 or 7.12 Contributions Plan, any contribution to which the development is liable under the respective plan that applies is to be paid to Council. The outstanding contribution will be indexed at time of payment in accordance with the relevant Contributions Plan.
  - iii) Housing and Productivity Contribution Payment must be made on the NSW Planning Portal for development to which this contribution applies. The amount payable is subject to indexation at the time of payment.
- (h) The applicant shall bear the cost of all works associated with the development that occurs on Council's property.
- (i) No skip bins, building materials, demolition or excavation waste of any nature, and no hoist, plant or machinery (crane, concrete pump or lift) shall be placed on Council's footpaths, roadways, parks or grass verges without Council Approval.
- (j) Demolition materials and builders' wastes are to be removed to approved waste/recycling centres.
- (k) No trees or native shrubs or understorey vegetation on public property (footpaths, roads, reserves, etc.), on the land to be developed, or within adjoining properties, shall be removed or damaged during excavation or construction unless specifically approved in this consent including for the erection of any fences, hoardings or other temporary works.
- (I) Prior to the commencement of any development onsite for:
  - i) Building/s that are to be erected
  - ii) Building/s that are situated in the immediate vicinity of a public place and is dangerous to persons or property on or in the public place
  - iii) Building/s that are to be demolished
  - iv) For any work/s that is to be carried out
  - v) For any work/s that is to be demolished

The person responsible for the development site is to erect or install on or around the development area such temporary structures or appliances (wholly within the development site) as are necessary to protect persons or property and to prevent unauthorised access to the site in order for the land or premises to be maintained in a safe or healthy condition. Upon completion of the development, such temporary structures or appliances are to be removed within 7 days.

(m) A "Road Opening Permit" must be obtained from Council, and all appropriate charges paid, prior to commencement of any work on Council property. The owner/applicant shall be responsible for all public utilities and services in the area of the work, shall notify all relevant Authorities, and bear all costs associated with any repairs and/or adjustments as those Authorities may deem necessary.

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- (n) The works must comply with the relevant Ausgrid Network Standards and SafeWork NSW Codes of Practice.
- (o) Requirements for new swimming pools/spas or existing swimming pools/spas affected by building works.
  - (1) Child resistant fencing is to be provided to any swimming pool or lockable cover to any spa containing water and is to be consistent with the following;

Relevant legislative requirements and relevant Australian Standards (including but not limited) to:

- (i) Swimming Pools Act 1992
- (ii) Swimming Pools Amendment Act 2009
- (iii) Swimming Pools Regulation 2018
- (iv) Australian Standard AS1926 Swimming Pool Safety
- (v) Australian Standard AS1926.1 Part 1: Safety barriers for swimming pools
- (vi) Australian Standard AS1926.2 Part 2: Location of safety barriers for swimming pools.
- (2) A 'KEEP WATCH' pool safety and aquatic based emergency sign, issued by Royal Life Saving is to be displayed in a prominent position within the pool/spa area.
- (3) Filter backwash waters shall be conveyed to the Sydney Water sewerage system in sewered areas or managed on-site in unsewered areas in a manner that does not cause pollution, erosion or run off, is separate from the irrigation area for any wastewater system and is separate from any onsite stormwater management system.
- (4) Swimming pools and spas must be registered with the Division of Local Government.

Reason: To ensure that works do not interfere with reasonable amenity expectations of residents and the community.

## FEES / CHARGES / CONTRIBUTIONS

## 5. Policy Controls

Northern Beaches Section 7.12 Contributions Plan 2022

A monetary contribution of \$3,850.00 is payable to Northern Beaches Council for the provision of local infrastructure and services pursuant to section 7.12 of the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979 and the Northern Beaches Section 7.12 Contributions Plan (as amended).

The monetary contribution is based on a development cost of \$385,000.00.

The total amount payable will be adjusted at the time the payment is made, in accordance with the provisions of the Northern Beaches Section 7.12 Contributions Plan (as amended).

Details demonstrating compliance, by way of written receipts issued by Council, are to be submitted to the Certifier prior to issue of any Construction Certificate or, if relevant, the Subdivision Certificate (whichever occurs first).

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A copy of the Contributions Plan is available for inspection at 725 Pittwater Road, Dee Why or on Council's website at Northern Beaches Council - Development Contributions.

Reason: To provide for contributions in accordance with the Contribution Plan to fund the provision of new or augmented local infrastructure and services.

## 6. **Security Bond**

A bond (determined from cost of works) of \$2,000 and an inspection fee in accordance with Council's Fees and Charges paid as security are required to ensure the rectification of any damage that may occur to the Council infrastructure contained within the road reserve adjoining the site as a result of construction or the transportation of materials and equipment to and from the development site.

An inspection fee in accordance with Council adopted fees and charges (at the time of payment) is payable for each kerb inspection as determined by Council (minimum (1) one inspection).

All bonds and fees shall be deposited with Council prior to Construction Certificate or demolition work commencing, and details demonstrating payment are to be submitted to the Certifier prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

To process the inspection fee and bond payment a Bond Lodgement Form must be completed with the payments (a copy of the form is attached to this consent and alternatively a copy is located on Council's website at www.northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au).

Reason: To ensure adequate protection of Council's infrastructure.

# **BUILDING WORK – BEFORE ISSUE OF A CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATE**

## 7. Stormwater Drainage Disposal

The stormwater drainage systems for the development are to be designed, installed and maintained in accordance with Council's Water Management for Development Policy.

All stormwater drainage systems must comply with the requirements of Council's Water Management for Development Policy. Any recommendations identified within a Geotechnical Report relevant to the development are to be incorporated into the design of the stormwater drainage system. Details demonstrating compliance from a qualified and practising Civil Engineer and where relevant a Geotechnical Engineer must be submitted to and approved by the Certifier prior to the issue of a Construction Certificate.

When the proposed discharge point for the development in this consent cannot strictly comply with the Water Management for Development Policy, the Applicant must apply to verify the proposed discharge point by gaining Council approval via a Stormwater Drainage Application. Council approval must be provided to the Certifier prior to the issue of a Construction Certificate when a Stormwater Drainage Application is required. The Stormwater Drainage Application form can be found on Council's website.

Compliance with this condition must not result in variations to the approved development or additional tree removal.

Reason: To ensure satisfactory management of stormwater.

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# 8. Amendments to the approved plans

The following amendments are to be made to the approved plans:

The upper-floor windows for Bedroom 5 and Bedroom 3 (Windows W4 and W8) must be modified to have a minimum sill height of 1.6 meters.

Details confirming compliance with this requirement must be submitted to the Certifier prior to the issuance of the Construction Certificate.

Reason: To protect the privacy of neighboring properties by preventing overlooking.

#### 9. Installation and Maintenance of Sediment Control

Prior to any works commencing on site, including demolition, an erosion and sediment control plan must be prepared by a suitably qualified person in accordance with the following documents and provided to the Principal Certifier:

- 1. Council's relevant development control plan,
- 2. The guidelines set out in the NSW Department of Housing manual 'Managing Urban Stormwater: Soils and Construction Certificate' (the Blue Book) (as amended from time to time), and
- 3. The 'Do it Right On-Site, Soil and Water Management for the Construction Industry' (Southern Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils and the Natural Heritage Trust) (as amended from time to time).

Techniques used for erosion and sediment control on site are to be adequately maintained and monitored at all times, particularly after periods of rain, and shall remain in proper operation until all development activities have been completed and the site is sufficiently stabilised with vegetation.

Reason: To ensure no substance other than rainwater enters the stormwater system and waterways.

# 10. Waste Management Plan

A Waste Management Plan must be prepared for this development. The Plan must be in accordance with the Development Control Plan.

Details demonstrating compliance must be provided to the Certifier prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

Reason: To ensure that any demolition and construction waste, including excavated material, is reused, recycled or disposed of in an environmentally friendly manner.

### 11. Compliance with Standards

The development is required to be carried out in accordance with all relevant Australian Standards.

Details demonstrating compliance with the relevant Australian Standard are to be submitted to the Certifier prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

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Reason: To ensure the development is constructed in accordance with appropriate standards.

# 12. Sydney Water "Tap In"

The approved plans must be submitted to the Sydney Water Tap in service, prior to works commencing, to determine whether the development will affect any Sydney Water assets and/or easements. The appropriately stamped plans must then be submitted to the Certifier demonstrating the works are in compliance with Sydney Water requirements.

Please refer to the website www.sydneywater.com.au for:

- "Tap in" details see http://www.sydneywater.com.au/tapin
- Guidelines for Building Over/Adjacent to Sydney Water Assets.

Or telephone 13 000 TAP IN (1300 082 746).

Reason: To ensure compliance with the statutory requirements of Sydney Water.

## **DURING BUILDING WORK**

## 13. Geotechnical Requirements

All recommendations (if any) included in the Geotechnical Report referenced in Condition 1 of this consent are required to be complied with during works.

Reason: To ensure geotechnical risk is mitigated appropriately.

## 14. Survey Certificate

A survey certificate prepared by a Registered Surveyor is to be provided demonstrating all perimeter walls columns and or other structural elements, floor levels and the finished roof/ridge height are in accordance with the approved plans.

Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Principal Certifier when the external structure of the building is complete.

Reason: To demonstrate the proposal complies with the approved plans.

## 15. Waste Management During Development

The reuse, recycling or disposal of waste during works must be done generally in accordance with the Waste Management Plan for this development.

Details demonstrating compliance must be submitted to the Principal Certifier.

Reason: To ensure demolition and construction waste is recycled or reused and to limit landfill.

# BEFORE ISSUE OF THE OCCUPATION CERTIFICATE

## 16. Stormwater Drainage Disposal Certification

Certification from an appropriately qualified and practising Civil Engineer demonstrating the stormwater drainage systems have been designed and installed in accordance with the requirements of Council's Water Management for Development Policy and where relevant a Geotechnical Engineer shall be provided to the Principal Certifier prior to the issue of an Occupation Certificate, and;

If any on site stormwater detention system is installed the Applicant shall lodge the Legal

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Documents Authorisation Application with Council.

The application is to include the completed request forms (NSW Land Registry standard forms 13PC and/or 13RPA) and a copy of the Works-as-Executed plan (details overdrawn on a copy of the approved drainage plan), hydraulic engineers' certification. A guide to the process and associated Legal Document Authorisation Application form can be found on Council's website The Applicant shall create on the Title a positive covenant in respect to the ongoing maintenance and restriction as to user over the on-site stormwater detention system within this development consent.

The terms of the positive covenant and restriction are to be prepared to Council's standard requirements at the applicant's expense and endorsed by Northern Beaches Council's delegate prior to lodgement with the NSW Land Registry Services. Northern Beaches Council shall be nominated as the authority to release, vary or modify such covenant. A copy of the certificate of title demonstrating the creation of the positive covenant and restriction as to user for the on-site stormwater detention system is to be submitted.

Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Principal Certifier prior to the issue of an Occupation Certificate.

Reason: To ensure satisfactory management of stormwater.

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

#### 17. Geotechnical Recommendations

Any ongoing recommendations of the risk assessment required to manage the hazards identified in the Geotechnical Report referenced in Condition 1 of this consent are to be maintained and adhered to for the life of the development.

Reason: To ensure geotechnical risk is mitigated appropriately.

In signing this report, I declare that I do not have a Conflict of Interest.

**Signed** 

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Michael French, Planner

The application is determined on 08/10/2024, under the delegated authority of:

**Rodney Piggott, Manager Development Assessments** 

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