

Landscape Referral Response

Application Number:	DA2022/1392
Date:	21/09/2022
Responsible Officer:	Olivia Ramage
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 1 DP 511257 , 49 Toronto Avenue CROMER NSW 2099

Reasons for referral

This application seeks consent for the following:

- Construction / development works within 5 metres of a tree or
- New residential works with three or more dwellings. (RFB's, townhouses, seniors living, guesthouses, etc). or
- Mixed use developments containing three or more residential dwellings.
- New Dwellings or

Officer comments

The application seeks consent for alterations and additions to a dwelling house including a swimming pool and a secondary dwelling.

The Arborist's Report prepared by Peake Arboriculture is noted.

The Report indicates that two trees, 1 x *Jacaranda mimosifolia* and 1 x *Livistona australis* are required to be removed to accommodate the proposed works.

Jacaranda is an exempt tree under Warringah DCP. No objections are raised to removal.

Livistona is a local native species and the only palm not listed on Council's Exempt trees list. The Arborist's report indicates the tree to be 13m height with no structural issues or pests and diseases.

The tree is in good health and condition and is prominent in the streetscape. As such, the tree is considered to be of High landscape significance under WDCP Appendix 9 Tree Retention Assessment. Removal of the tree is not supported in this instance.

As palms have a fibrous root system, it is considered that minor redesign to locate works away from the tree would enable retention.

At this stage, the proposal is not supported with regard to landscape issues.

The proposal is therefore unsupported.

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

Recommended Landscape Conditions:

Nil.