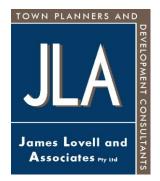
Subdivision of Two (2) Lots to Create Four (4) Lots

No's 130 and 132 Elanora Road, Elanora Heights

Statement of Environmental Effects

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Preamble

This Statement of Environmental Effects (SEE) has been prepared to accompany a Development Application (DA) to Northern Beaches Council for the subdivision of No's 130 and 132 Elanora Road, Elanora Heights to create four (4) Torrens Title allotments.

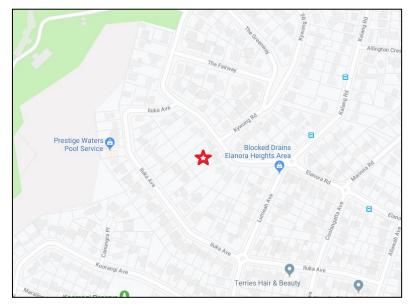


Figure 1 – Location

The subject site is located on the south-western side of Elanora Road, opposite the intersection with Kywong Road.

The site comprises two (2) adjoining allotments with a combined area of $3,005m^2$. The consolidated site is rectangular in shape with a frontage of 44.5 metres to Elanora Road.

The individual allotments are currently occupied by 1 - 2 storey dwellings located towards the Elanora Road frontages. The individual allotments include separate vehicular access driveways along Elanora Road.

The site is not affected by any known environmental constraints relating to bushfire risk, geotechnical hazard, heritage, coastal risk, biodiversity or land contamination. The proposed development comprises the subdivision of the consolidated site to create four (4) Torrens Title allotments. The individual allotment sizes range from 661.4m² to 740.2m², excluding the area of the right of carriageway for vehicular access extending between the existing dwellings to service the proposed allotments to the rear.

The existing dwellings fronting Elanora Road are being retained on proposed Lots 12 and 13, and the Subdivision Plan includes indicative *"building footprints"* of 175m² on proposed Lots 11 and 14 to demonstrate their ability to accommodate dwellings and associated facilities, including off-street car parking and private open space.

Finally, the site benefits from a 1.0 metre wide easement to drain water (with a certified stormwater pipe installed) over an adjoining property to the south-west (No. 40 Iluka Avenue), and the easement will be utilised to gravity drain stormwater from the subject site to the existing stormwater system.

1.2 Purpose

This SEE has been prepared pursuant to the provisions of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* and accompanying *Regulation*. To that end, it:

- > identifies the site and provides details of its locational context;
- describes the physical and operational aspects of the proposed development;
- identifies the environmental planning instruments and policies that apply to the site and considers the proposed development against those that are relevant; and
- provides an assessment of the proposed development against the provisions of Section 4.15 of the *Environmental Planning and* Assessment Act 1979.

2. SITE DESCRIPTION

2.1 Site Details

The subject site formally comprises Lots 133 (No. 130 Elanora Road) and 132 (No. 132 Elanora Road) in Deposited Plan 24360.

The site is located on the south-western side of Elanora Road, opposite the intersection with Kywong Road.

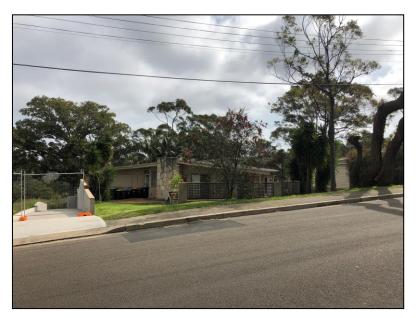
The site comprises two (2) adjoining allotments with a combined area of $3,005m^2$. The consolidated site is rectangular in shape with a frontage of 44.5 metres to Elanora Road.



Figure 2 – Site Context

No. 130 Elanora Road is occupied by a 1 - 2 storey weatherboard dwelling, with a tile roof. The existing dwelling is located towards the Elanora Road frontage of the site, with off-street car parking provided to the side of the dwelling, accessed via a driveway extending to/from Elanora Road. The driveway continues towards the rear of the site, and extends across the boundary with No. 132 Elanora Road.

No. 132 Elanora Road is occupied 1 - 2 storey weatherboard dwelling, with a metal roof. The existing dwelling is located towards the Elanora Road frontage of the site, with off-street car parking provided within a single carport, accessed via a driveway extending to/from Elanora Road. A shed is located to the rear of the dwelling.



Photograph 1 – Existing Dwelling at No. 130 Elanora Road



Photograph 2 – Existing Dwelling at No. 132 Elanora Road

The topography of the site generally falls downhill, away from Elanora Road, with a maximum level change from boundary to boundary of approximately 12 metres. A portion of the level change is accommodated in a retaining wall located to the rear of the dwelling at No. 130 Elanora Road.

The site benefits from a 1.0 metre wide easement to drain water (with a certified stormwater pipe installed) over an adjoining property to the south-west (No. 40 Iluka Avenue).

The existing vegetation on the site generally comprises a scattering of trees, shrubs and groundcovers. The existing trees are located on both allotments, predominately to the rear of the existing dwellings.

2.2 Site Context

The site is located within an established residential environment characterised by a predominance of detached dwellings. The existing dwellings extend across multiple development eras, contributing to a diversity of building forms and architectural styles.

The subdivision pattern in the locality is somewhat irregular, reflecting the irregular road pattern, and the re-subdivision of some of the original allotments.

The site is adjoined to the north-west by 1 - 2 storey weatherboard dwelling with coloubond metal roofing (No. 134 Elanora Road). The dwelling includes an open stand off-street car parking space located to the side of the dwelling.



Photograph 3 – Adjoining Dwelling to the North-West

The site is adjoined to the south-east by a vacant parcel of land consisting of three (3) Torrens Title allotments (No. 128 Elanora Road).

On 23 September 2014, the Land and Environment Court upheld an appeal (with the agreement of the parties) for the subdivision of the



former site to provide three (3) allotments, the demolition of the former dwelling, and the construction of a concrete driveway.

Photograph 4 – Adjoining Property to the South-East

The site is adjoined to the south-west (rear) by two (2) allotments fronting Iluka Avenue (No's 38 and 40 Iluka Avenue). The individual allotments accommodate dwellings occupying the central portions of the sites, with off-street car parking facilities accessed via separate driveways extending to/from Iluka Avenue.



Photograph 5 – Adjoining Properties to the South-West



The existing development on the opposite side of Elanora Road (to the north-east) comprises a series of dwelling.

Photograph 6 – Surrounding Development to the North-East

3. PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

3.1 General Description

The proposed development is illustrated in the Subdivision Plan prepared by *Ivan Victor Sterligov, Surveyor,* identified as *Drawing 19051-DSUB*, dated 28 February 2020.

The proposed development comprises the subdivision of the consolidated site to create four (4) Torrens Title allotments. The size of the individual allotments (excluding the area of the right of carriageway for vehicular access) are as follows:

Lot 11:	740.2m ²
Lot 12:	704.9m ²
Lot 13:	661.4m ²
Lot 14:	740.2m ²

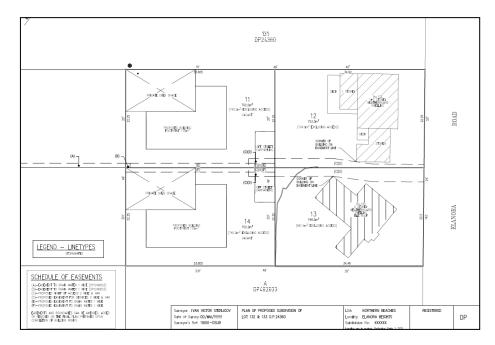


Figure 3 – Plan of Proposed Subdivision

The existing dwellings fronting Elanora Road are being retained on proposed Lots 12 and 13, and the Subdivision Plan includes indicative *"building footprints"* of 175m² on proposed Lots 11 and 14 to demonstrate their ability to accommodate dwellings and associated facilities, including off-street car parking and private open space.

The existing off-street car parking facilities for the dwellings on proposed Lots 12 and 13 are being retained, and the driveway servicing No. 130 Elanora Road is being modified and extended to service proposed Lots 11 and 14 to the rear. The access driveway has been carefully designed to facilitate the retention of the existing dwellings.

Further, the Subdivision Plan identifies the location of the off-street car parking facilities to service proposed Lots 11 and 14, with the indicative car parking spaces and access driveway designed to facilitate the car parking as an integrated part of the future dwellings, and enable the vehicles to enter and exit the site in a forward direction.

The proposed development includes the removal of seven (7) trees from the site, with all of the remaining trees on the site and adjoining sites to be protected and retained.

Finally, the site benefits from a 1.0 metre wide easement to drain water (with a certified stormwater pipe installed) over an adjoining property to the south-west (No. 40 Iluka Avenue), and the easement will be utilised to gravity drain stormwater from the subject site to the existing stormwater system.

4. SECTION 4.15 ASSESSMENT

The heads of consideration incorporated in Section 4.15 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* comprise:

- > any environmental planning instrument;
- any proposed instrument that is or has been the subject of public consultation and that has been notified to the consent authority;
- > any development control plan;
- > any planning agreement or draft planning agreement;
- > any matters prescribed by the Regulation;
- the likely impacts of the development, including environmental impacts on both the natural and built environments, and the social and economic impacts in the locality;
- > the suitability of the site for the development;
- any submissions made in accordance with the Act or the Regulations; and
- the public interest.

4.1 Environmental Planning Instruments

The proposed development is subject to the following environmental planning instrument:

- 1. State Environmental Planning Policy (SEPP) No. 55 Remediation of Land; and
- 2. Pittwater Local Environmental Plan (LEP) 2014.

SEPP No. 55 – Remediation of Land

SEPP No. 55 specifies that a consent authority must not consent to the carrying out of development on land unless it has considered whether the land is, or is likely to be contaminated, and if the land is, or is likely to be contaminated, whether the land requires remediation before the land is developed for the proposed use.

The site has an established history of residential zoning and use, and there is no evidence to suggest the land is likely to be contaminated to the extent that would render it unsuitable for continued residential use.

Pittwater LEP 2014

The site is zoned E4 – Environmental Living pursuant to the Pittwater LEP 2014, and *"subdivision"* and *"dwelling houses"* are permissible in the zone with the consent of Council.

Clause 2.3 requires the consent authority to have regard to the objectives for development in a zone when determining a DA in respect of land within the zone.

The objectives of the zone are expressed as follows:

- To provide for low-impact residential development in areas with special ecological, scientific or aesthetic values.
- To ensure that development does not have an adverse effect on those values.
- To provide for residential development of a low density and scale integrated with the landform and landscape.
- To encourage development that retains and enhances riparian and foreshore vegetation and wildlife corridors.

The proposed development is generally consistent with (or not antipathetic to) the relevant objectives of the zone on the basis that there will be no unacceptable impacts on the ecological, scientific or aesthetic values of the site, and the proposed development will maintain the low density character of the locality, with no signifcant adverse impacts on the existing landform, or the landscape character of the site and surrounds.

Clause 4.1 specifies a minimum lot size for subdivision of 550m², and the proposed development provides lot sizes ranging from 661.4m² to 740.2m², excluding the area of the right of carriageway for vehicular access extending between the existing dwellings.

Clause 4.3 specifies a maximum building height of 8.5 metres. The existing dwellings fronting Elanora Road are being retained on proposed Lots 12 and 13, and the future dwellings on proposed Lots 11 and 14 will be subject to the provisions of Clause 4.3.

Clause 7.1 specifies that development consent is required for the carrying out of works (on Class 5 land) within 500 metres of adjacent

Class 1 - 4 land, and which is likely to lower the watertable to below 1 metre Australian Height Datum (AHD).

The site is not located within 500 metres of any Class 1 – 4 land.

Clause 7.2 requires the consent authority to consider any detrimental impacts on existing drainage patterns or soil stability, the likely future use of the land, the quality of the fill or excavated material, the amenity of neighbouring properties, the likelihood of disturbing relics, any adverse impacts on any waterway, drinking catchment or environmentally sensitive area, the potential impacts on any heritage items, and any measures to mitigate the impacts of the development.

The proposed access driveway has been designed to minimise the necessary earthworks, with the gradient of the driveway generally reflecting the existing site topography as part as possible.

Further, the construction phase will be carefully managed to ensure there are no adverse impacts on the environment, the amenity of neighbouring properties, or water quality.

The site is not located in the vicinity of any heritage items or conservation areas, and a search of the AHIMS provided by the New South Wales (NSW) Department of Environment and Heritage reveals that no *"Aboriginal sites"* or *"Aboriginal Places"* have been recorded within a 200 metre radius of the site.

Finally, the future construction of dwellings on proposed Lots 11 and 14 will be subject to the provisions of Clause 7.2.

Clause 7.10 requires the consent authority to be satisfied that the services essential for the development are available, or that adequate arrangements have been made to make them available.

The site is serviced by all necessary infrastructure, and the proposed works include the construction of an appropriate access driveway. Further, the subject site benefits from an easement to drain water (with a certified stormwater pipe installed) over an adjoining property to the south-west (No. 40 Iluka Avenue), and the easement will be utilised to gravity drain stormwater from the subject site to the existing stormwater system.

The LEP does not incorporate any further controls of specific relevance to the proposed development.

4.2 Proposed Environmental Planning Instruments

There are no proposed environmental planning instruments of specific relevance to the proposed development.

4.3 Development Control Plans

The proposed development is subject to the following development control plan:

1. Pittwater 21 Development Control Plan (DCP).

Pittwater 21 DCP

The Pittwater 21 DCP is generally intended to supplement the provisions of the Pittwater LEP 2014, and provide more detailed objectives and controls to guide future development.

Section A of the DCP provides locality statements, Section B provides general controls, Section C provides design criteria for subdivision, and Section D provides locality specific controls.

The site is not affected by any known environmental constraints relating to bushfire risk, geotechnical hazard, heritage, coastal risk, biodiversity or land contamination.

In the circumstances, the relevant¹ provisions of the DCP are considered in Table 4.3.1 as follows:

Table 4.3.1 – Pittwater 21 Development Control Plan			
Control	Proposed	Satisfactory	
Section A – Locality Statements			
A4.5 – Elanora Heights Locality			
The locality will remain primarily a	The proposed development will	Yes	

¹ The relevant provisions of the DCP comprise those which relate specifically to the proposed development and/or those which would not normally be required and/or provided as Conditions of Consent and/or as part of a Construction Certificate.

low-density residential area with	maintain the character of a low-		
dwelling houses a maximum of	density residential area, with the		
two storeys in any one place in a	existing dwellings a maximum of		
landscaped setting, integrated	two storeys in any one place. The		
with the landform and landscape.	future dwellings on proposed Lots		
with the landform and landscape.	11 and 14 will be subject to the		
	provisions of the DCP. Further,		
	the proposed development		
	negotiates the sloping		
	topography of the site, and will		
	substantially maintain the		
	landscaped setting of the site and		
	surrounds.		
Euturo dovolonment is to be		Vcc	
Future development is to be	The site is serviced by all	Yes	
located so as to be supported by	necessary infrastructure, including		
adequate infrastructure, including	roads, water and sewerage		
roads, water and sewerage	facilities, and public transport.		
facilities, and public transport.			
Future development will maintain	The existing dwellings remain	Yes	
a building height limit below the	below the tree canopy, and the		
tree canopy, and minimise bulk	future dwellings on proposed Lots		
and scale.	11 and 14 will be subject to the		
	provisions of the DCP.		
A balance will be achieved	The proposed development	Yes	
between maintaining the	achieves an appropriate balance		
landforms, landscapes and other	between subdividing the site in		
features of the natural	accordance with the minimum lot		
environment, and the	size control, whilst generally		
development of land.	maintaining the landforms,		
	landscapes and other features of		
	the natural environment.		
Section B – General Controls			
B2.2 – Subdivision – Low Density Residential Areas			
Minimum lot depth of 27 metres.	The proposed lots have depths of	Yes	
	33.805 – 34.92 metres.		
Minimum lot width at the	The proposed lots have widths at	Yes	
building line of 16 metres.	the building line of 22.25 metres.		
Lots are to be capable of	The existing dwellings are being	Yes	
providing for the construction of	retained on proposed Lots 12 and		
a building which is safe from	13, and the Subdivision Plan		

hazards, does not unreasonably	includes indicative "building	
impact on the natural	footprints" of 175m ² on proposed	
environment, does not adversely	Lots 11 and 14. The "building	
affect heritage, and can be	footprints" demonstrate the ability	
provided with adequate and safe	to construct dwellings that will be	
access and services.	safe from hazards, will not	
	unreasonably impact on the	
	natural environment or affect	
	heritage, and can be provided	
	with adequate and safe access	
	and services.	
Maximum allotment slope of 16.7	The proposed lots have slopes of	Acceptable
degrees, measured between the	12 – 21 degrees, measured	Design
highest and lowest points on any	between the highest and lowest	Solution
allotment.	points on each lot. The variation	
	primarily relates to Proposed Lot	
	12, however the existing dwelling,	
	car parking and access	
	arrangements are being retained.	
The minimum area for building	The existing dwellings are being	Yes
shall be 175m².	retained on proposed Lots 12 and	
	13, and the Subdivision Plan	
	includes indicative "building	
	footprints" of 175m ² on proposed	
	Lots 11 and 14.	
B4.22 – Preservation of Trees and	Bushland Vegetation	
Development consent is required	The proposed development	Yes
for the removal of any trees or	includes the removal of seven (7)	
bushland vegetation.	trees from the site, with all of the	
	remaining trees on the site and	
	adjoining sites to be protected	
	and retained.	
B5.10 – Stormwater Discharge int		
Stormwater is to be connected to	The site benefits from a 1.0 metre	Yes
a public drainage system by	wide easement to drain water	
gravity means to which it would	(with a certified stormwater pipe	
naturally flow.	installed) over an adjoining	
	property to the south-west (No.	
	40 Iluka Avenue), and the	
	easement will be utilised to	
	gravity drain stormwater from the	
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	a lateral state and the state	
	subject site to the existing	
	stormwater system.	
Written consent for the piping	The DA is accompanied by a	Yes
and acquisition of an easement is	Certificate of Compliance in	
to be obtained from adjoining	relation to the existing	
owners and provided to Council	stormwater pipe located within	
at the time of lodging the	the easement over an adjoining	
Development Application.	property to the south-west (No.	
	40 Iluka Avenue).	
B6.2 – Internal Driveways		
Internal driveways are to provide	The internal driveway provides	Yes
safe and convenient access with a	safe and convenient access, with a	
maximum gradient of 1:4 for a	maximum gradient of 1:4 for a	
length of 20 metres on steeply	length of less than 12 metres.	
sloping sites.		
Internal driveways are to be a	The internal driveway has a	Yes
minimum of 3.0 metres wide.	minimum width of 4.0 metres.	
B6.3 – Off-Street Vehicle Parking	Requirements	
Provide a minimum of 2 off-street	The existing off-street car parking	Yes
car parking spaces (for dwellings	facilities will be maintained for the	
of 2 or more bedrooms).	existing dwellings. Adequate	
	space is available on proposed	
	Lots 11 and 14 to provide two (2)	
	off-street car parking spaces,	
	integrated into the design of the	
	future dwellings.	
B8 – Site Works Management		
Excavation and landfill greater	The excavation and landfill	Will Comply
than 1 metre deep must comply	associated with the proposed	
with the Geotechnical Risk	development will be carried out in	
Management Policy.	accordance with the Geotechnical	
	Risk Management Policy.	
Erosion and sedimentation	Erosion and sedimentation	Will Comply
measures must be installed on	measures will be installed on site	
site to prevent the migration of	during the construction phase.	
sediment off the site.		
Waste material is to be minimised	Waste material will be minimised	Will Comply
by reuse on-site, recycling, or	by reuse on-site, recycling, or	
disposal at an appropriate waste	disposal at an appropriate waste	
facility.	facility.	

Section C – Development Type Controls			
C4.1 – Protection from Hazards			
Subdivisions are to be designed	The Subdivision Plan includes	Yes	
such that adequate building	indicative "building footprints" of		
platforms/building areas are	175m ² on proposed Lots 11 and		
provided that have a low risk from	14. The <i>"building footprints"</i> have		
hazards including flood, landslip,	a low risk from hazards including		
bushfire, coastal and estuarine	flood, landslip, bushfire, coastal		
hazards.	and estuarine hazards.		
C4.2 – Access Driveways and Off-	Street Parking Facilities		
Any internal access driveway is to	The internal access driveway will	Will Comply	
be designed and constructed as	be constructed as part of the		
part of the subdivision works.	subdivision works.		
A second driveway may be	The existing access driveways are	Yes	
permitted to a public road if the	being retained, with the existing		
street frontage is 30 metres or	driveway servicing No. 130		
more.	Elanora Road being modified and		
	extended to service proposed		
	Lots 11 and 14 to the rear. The		
	site has a total frontage of 44.5		
	metres to Elanora Road.		
C4.3 – Transport and Traffic Mana	agement		
The impacts of the proposed	The proposed development will	Yes	
subdivision on the capacity of the	have no signifcant impact on the		
road and transport network	capacity of the road network		
should be considered.	serving the site.		
C4.5 – Utility Services			
All lots are to be serviced by	The site is serviced by electricity,	Yes	
electricity, water, gas,	water, gas, communications and		
communications and sewer.	sewer.		
All existing and proposed utility	The utility services on the site will	Yes	
services are to be located	be located underground.		
underground.			
C4.6 – Service and Delivery Vehicle Access in Subdivisions			
Roads and accessways within the	The access driveway has been	Yes	
subdivision are to be designed	with sufficient width to		
and constructed to accommodate	accommodate emergency and		
access for waste, recycling,	delivery vehicles, and the garbage		
service, emergency and delivery	bins will be transported to the		
vehicle.	street frontage for collection		

	purposes.		
C4.7 – Amenity and Design	· · ·		
The application should clearly	The existing dwellings are being	Yes	
demonstrate that a building	retained on proposed Lots 12 and		
envelope can be built on site	13, and the Subdivision Plan		
having regard to trees, vehicular	includes indicative "building		
access, services, safety from	footprints" of 175m ² on proposed		
hazard, the desired character of	Lots 11 and 14. The <i>"building</i>		
the area, and the potential	<i>footprints"</i> demonstrate the ability		
impacts on surrounding	to construct dwellings that will be		
properties.	safe from hazards, will not		
	unreasonably impact on the		
	desired character of the area, and		
	or the amenity of surrounding		
	properties.		
The width of a right-of-	The width of the right of	Yes	
carriageway should not exceed	carriageway (4 metres) is less than		
20% of the required lot width.	20% of the proposed lot widths.		
C4.8 – Landscaping on Existing an	nd Proposed Public Road Frontages		
Street trees are to be planted	Street trees will be planted along	Yes	
along the road reserve at 6 metre	the road reserve at 6 metre		
centres.	centres.		
Section D	– Elanora Heights Locality		
D5.1 – Character as Viewed from	a Public Place		
Buildings which front the street	The existing dwellings fronting	Yes	
must have a street presence.	Elanora Road are being retained.		
General service facilities must be	The utility services on the site will	Yes	
located underground.	be located underground.		
D5.2 – Scenic Protection			
Development shall minimise any	The existing dwellings fronting	Yes	
visual impact on the natural	Elanora Road are being retained,		
environment when viewed from	and the proposed development		
any waterway, road or public	will have no detrimental visual		
reserve.	impact viewed from any		
	waterway, road or public reserve.		
D5.5 – Front Building Line			
The minimum front building line	The existing dwellings fronting	Yes	
shall be 6.5 metres.	Elanora Road are being retained.		
D5.6 – Side and Rear Building Line	e		
The minimum side setbacks are	The existing dwellings are being	Yes	

2.5 metres to one side, and 1.0	retained on proposed Lots 12 and		
metres for the other side. The	13, and the "building footprints"		
minimum rear setback is 6.5	on proposed Lots 11 and 14		
metres.	provide side boundary setbacks		
	of more than 2.5 metres, and rear		
	boundary setbacks of 6.5 metres.		
D5.7 – Building Envelope			
Planes are to be projected at 45	The existing dwellings are being	Yes	
degrees from a height of 3.5	retained on proposed Lots 12 and		
metres above ground level	13, and the future dwellings on		
(existing) at the side boundaries	proposed Lots 11 and 14 will be		
to the maximum building height	subject to the building envelope		
of 8.5 metres.	control.		
D5.9 – Landscaped Area			
The total landscaped area shall be	The existing and proposed	Yes	
a minimum of 60% of the site	structures being retained		
area.	maintain a total landscaped area		
	of approximately 60% – 70% of		
	the site area, depending upon the		
	design of the future dwellings on		
	proposed Lots 11 and 14.		
D5.11 – Fences			
Front and side fences (within the	No changes are proposed to the	Yes	
front building setback) shall not	existing fencing along the Elanora		
exceed 1 metre above existing	Road frontage.		
ground level, and be compatible			
with the streetscape.			
Fencing along the side and rear	The side and rear boundary	Will Comply	
boundaries shall be a maximum	fencing will not exceed a		
height of 1.8 metres.	maximum height of 1.8 metres.		
D5.13 – Construction, Retaining Walls, Terracing and Undercroft Areas			
Lightweight construction and pier	Lightweight construction and pier	Will Comply	
and beam footings should be	and beam footings will be used		
used in environmentally sensitive	for the future construction of		
areas.	dwellings on proposed Lots 11		
	and 14.		

4.4 Planning Agreements

There are no planning agreements of relevance to the proposed development.

4.5 Impacts of the Development

The proposed development will substantially maintain the existing character of the site when viewed from the public domain, with the existing dwellings Elanora Road being retained.

The Subdivision Plan includes indicative *"building footprints"* of 175m² on proposed Lots 11 and 14, to demonstrate their ability to accommodate dwellings and associated facilities, including off-street car parking and private open space. The *"building footprints"* demonstrate the ability to construct dwellings that will be safe from hazards, will not unreasonably impact on the desired character of the area, and or the amenity of surrounding properties.

Clause 4.1 of the Pittwater LEP 2014 specifies a minimum lot size for subdivision of 550m², and the proposed development provides lot sizes ranging from 661.4m² to 740.2m², excluding the area of the right of carriageway for vehicular access extending between the existing dwellings.

The proposed subdivision is generally consistent with the emerging form of development in the locality, including the approved subdivision of the adjoining allotment to the south-east to provide three (3) allotments.

The proposed development includes the removal of seven (7) trees from the site, with all of the remaining trees on the site and adjoining sites to be protected and retained.

In the circumstances, the proposed development will contribute to the availability and variety of housing in a form that is compatible with a low density residential environment, and will not impose any significant or adverse impacts on the environment or the amenity of surrounding land.

4.6 Suitability of the Site

The site is located within an established residential environment characterised by a predominance of detached dwellings. The existing dwellings extend across multiple development eras, contributing to a diversity of building forms and architectural styles.

The subdivision pattern in the locality is somewhat irregular, reflecting the irregular road pattern, and the re-subdivision of some of the original allotments.

The proposed development will contribute to the availability and variety of housing in a form that is compatible with a low density residential environment, and will not impose any significant or adverse impacts on the environment or the amenity of surrounding land.

4.7 Public Interest

The public interest is generally served in circumstances where the proposed development will contribute to the availability and variety of housing in a form that is compatible with a low density residential environment, and will not impose any significant or adverse impacts on the environment or the amenity of surrounding land.

5. CONCLUSION

The site is located on the south-western side of Elanora Road, opposite the intersection with Kywong Road. The site comprises two (2) adjoining allotments with a combined area of 3,005m². The consolidated site is rectangular in shape with a frontage of 44.5 metres to Elanora Road.

The individual allotments are currently occupied by 1 - 2 storey dwellings located towards the Elanora Road frontages. The individual allotments include separate vehicular access driveways along Elanora Road.

The site is not affected by any known environmental constraints relating to bushfire risk, geotechnical hazard, heritage, coastal risk, biodiversity or land contamination.

The proposed development comprises the subdivision of the consolidated site to create four (4) Torrens Title allotments. The individual allotment sizes range from 661.4m² to 740.2m², excluding the area of the right of carriageway for vehicular access extending between the existing dwellings to service the proposed allotments to the rear.

The existing dwellings fronting Elanora Road are being retained on proposed Lots 12 and 13, and the Subdivision Plan includes indicative *"building footprints"* of 175m² on proposed Lots 11 and 14 to demonstrate their ability to accommodate dwellings and associated facilities, including off-street car parking and private open space.

Clause 4.1 of the Pittwater LEP 2014 specifies a minimum lot size for subdivision of 550m², and the proposed development provides lot sizes ranging from 661.4m² to 740.2m², excluding the area of the right of carriageway for vehicular access extending between the existing dwellings.

The proposed subdivision is generally consistent with the emerging form of development in the locality, including the approved subdivision of the adjoining allotment to the south-east to provide three (3) allotments.

In the circumstances, the proposed development will contribute to the availability and variety of housing in a form that is compatible with a low density residential environment, and will not impose any significant or adverse impacts on the environment or the amenity of surrounding land.