

Natural Environment Referral Response - Biodiversity

Application Number:	Mod2022/0181
Date:	23/05/2022
Responsible Officer	Nick Keeler
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 1 DP 601101 , 8 Wyatt Avenue BELROSE NSW 2085

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

Council's biodiversity team have reviewed the application against relevant controls within the Warringah LEP 2000 and NSW Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016.

Native vegetation in the North and North-west of the site is mapped on the NSW Governments Biodiversity Values map. Any additional removal of native vegetation from this area will require entry into the NSW Biodiversity Offsets Scheme. It is noted that the proposed modification does not identify the removal of additional native vegetation or trees. The critically endangered *Grevillea caleyi* and threatened ecological community - Duffys Forest are known to occur in vicinity of the works. *Grevillea caleyi* is known to hybridise with ornamental *Grevilleas*. Conditions from the existing approved development (DA2019/1420) including amendment of the landscape plans to exclude *Grevillea* hybrids or cultivars and the planting of local native plant species remain relevant to the current modification application. It is noted that the amended Landscape plan still includes *Grevillea* 'Honey Gem'. A further condition has been added to address this requirement.

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

No additional native vegetation or trees are to be removed associate with the modification application.
No native vegetation is to be removed from the adjoining unformed road reserve.

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

Reason: To protect native vegetation.

Amendment of Landscape Plans

The submitted Landscape Plan is to be amended in accordance with the following:

- Deletion of Grevillea 'Honey Gem' x 6
- Replacement with either of the following local native Banksia species - *B. serrata*, *B. ericifolia*, *B. spinulosa* or *B. marginata*

The amended Landscape Plan is to be certified by a qualified landscape architect and provided to the Certifying Authority prior to issue of the Construction Certificate.

Reason: To ensure compliance with the requirement to retain and protect significant species in vicinity of the site.