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CC Playoust Churcher Architects

**Re: Proposed Tree Removal for Development Application
56 ATTUNGA ROAD, NEWPORT**

To whom it may concern,

Mr Tim Wearne, the owner of the property, has commissioned this arboricultural report for the **removal of three trees/palms** growing at the above site, to accommodate proposed alterations to the house and garage.

Refer to **architectural plans prepared by Playoust Churcher Architects, an extract of which is shown here:**

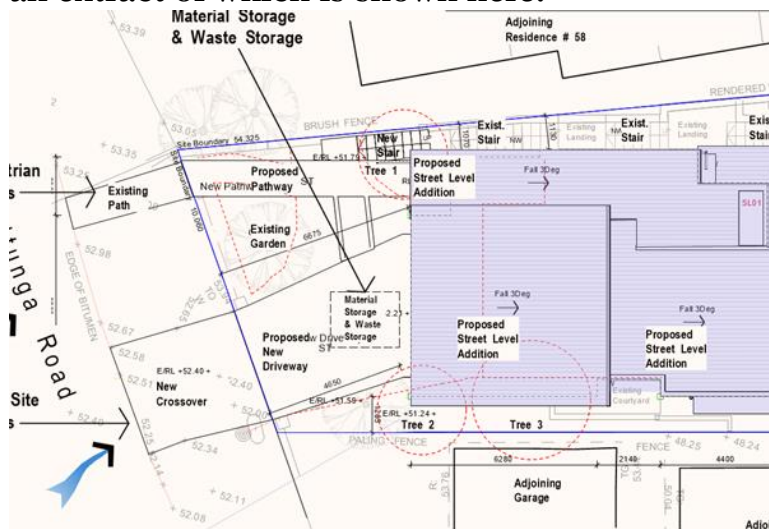


Figure 1: site plan extract

Reasons for removal of three trees/palms

1. The three trees/palms will be required to be removed to accommodate the proposed building footprint and access stairs.
2. All three trees/palms are 'Exempt' under the definitions in the Northern Beaches DCP.
3. The site is in a 'designated 10/50 vegetation entitlement clearing area' for fire safety (NSW Rural Fire Service).

Tree 1 Description (assessed by VTA on 29.11.2021).

Botanical Name: *Yucca elephantipes*

Common Name: Yucca

Height: 5 metres

Canopy spread: 3 metres

Age: Mature

Health: Vigour good.

Condition: Good.

Comments: This tree is 'Exempt' due to its size being 5 metres and it is in a 10/50 vegetation clearing area for fire safety.



Figure 2, Tree 1, *Yucca*.

Tree 2 Description (assessed by VTA on 29.11.2021).

Botanical Name: *Phoenix roebelennii*

Common Name: Dwarf Date Palm

Height: 3 metres

Canopy spread: 2 metres

Age: Mature

Health: Vigour fair.

Condition: Fair.

Comments: This tree is 'Exempt' due to its size being less than 5 metres, it is an 'Exempt' palm species



Figure 3: Tree 2, Dwarf Date Palm

Tree 3 Description (assessed by VTA on 29.11.2021).

Botanical Name: *Plumeria acutifolia var rubra*

Common Name: Frangipani

Height: 3 metres

Canopy spread: 3 metres

Age: Early mature

Health: Vigour fair? Not in full leaf.

Condition: Good

Comments: This tree is 'Exempt' due to its size being less than 5 metres, and it is in a 10/50 vegetation clearing area for fire safety.



Figure 3: Tree 3, Frangipani

Recommendations

Trees 1, 2 and 3 are all recommended for removal for all the reasons noted in the preceding discussions. They are all 'Exempt' under Council's DCP and are in a 'designated 10/50 vegetation entitlement clearing area' for fire safety (NSW Rural Fire Service). None of these species are significant species, none are locally native species.

Please contact me with any further questions you may have.

Yours sincerely,



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