

DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION ASSESSMENT REPORT

Application Number:	DA2018/1965
Responsible Officer:	Nick Keeler
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 2 DP 1211486, 166 Prince Alfred Parade NEWPORT NSW 2106
Proposed Development:	Alterations and Additions to a dwelling House
Zoning:	E2 Environmental Conservation E4 Environmental Living
Development Permissible:	Yes
Existing Use Rights:	No
Consent Authority:	Northern Beaches Council
Land and Environment Court Action:	No
Owner:	Joseph John Cristaudo Janette Robin Cristaudo
Applicant:	Joseph John Cristaudo Janette Robin Cristaudo
Application lodged:	13/12/2018
Integrated Development:	No
Designated Development:	No
State Reporting Category:	Residential - Alterations and additions
Notified:	18/12/2018 to 25/01/2019
Advertised:	Not Advertised
Submissions Received:	0
Recommendation:	Approval
Estimated Cost of Works:	\$ 264,000.00

ASSESSMENT INTRODUCTION

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

Pittwater Local Environmental Plan 2014 - Zone E4 Environmental Living
Pittwater Local Environmental Plan 2014 - 4.6 Exceptions to development standards
Pittwater 21 Development Control Plan - C1.12 Waste and Recycling Facilities

SITE DESCRIPTION

Property Description:	Lot 2 DP 1211486 , 166 Prince Alfred Parade NEWPORT NSW 2106
Detailed Site Description:	<p>The subject site consists of one (1) allotment located on the western side of the northern end of Prince Albert Parade, Newport.</p> <p>The site is irregular in shape with a small portion of the southern side boundary fronting Prince Albert Parade. The site has a width of 23.31m and a depth of 123.715m. The site has a surveyed area of 3479m².</p> <p>The site is located within the E2 Environmental Conservation and E4 Environmental Living zones and accommodates part one-part two storey residential dwelling with an elevated carport and turning area connected to a shared driveway.</p> <p>The site contains a significant fall from the eastern boundary towards the western boundary.</p> <p>The site contains a number of high canopy eucalyptus trees and grassed areas at the rear of the dwelling. The site is identified as Low Risk Flood Prone Land and as being subject to Tidal Inundation and is within the Terrestrial Biodiversity zone.</p> <p>Detailed Description of Adjoining/Surrounding Development</p> <p>Adjoining and surrounding development is characterised by multi-level residential dwellings.</p>

Map:



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.

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT IN DETAIL

The applicant seeks development consent for alterations and additions to the existing dwelling including the installation of an internal lift and minor internal layout changes.

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	None applicable.
Section 4.15 (1) (a)(iii) – Provisions of any development control plan	Pittwater 21 Development Control Plan applies to this proposal.
Section 4.15 (1) (a)(iiia) – Provisions of any planning agreement	None applicable.
Section 4.15 (1) (a)(iv) – Provisions of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000 (EP&A Regulation 2000)	Division 8A of the EP&A Regulation 2000 requires the consent authority to consider "Prescribed conditions" of development consent. These matters have been addressed via a condition of consent.

Section 4.15 Matters for Consideration'	Comments
	<p>Clauses 54 and 109 of the EP&A Regulation 2000, Council requested additional information and has therefore considered the number of days taken in this assessment in light of this clause within the Regulations. No additional information was requested.</p> <p>Clause 92 of the EP&A Regulation 2000 requires the consent authority to consider AS 2601 - 1991: The Demolition of Structures. This matter has been addressed via a condition of consent.</p> <p>Clauses 93 and/or 94 of the EP&A Regulation 2000 requires the consent authority to consider the upgrading of a building (including fire safety upgrade of development). This matter has been addressed via a condition of consent.</p> <p>Clause 98 of the EP&A Regulation 2000 requires the consent authority to consider insurance requirements under the Home Building Act 1989. This matter has been addressed via a condition of consent.</p> <p>Clause 98 of the EP&A Regulation 2000 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.</p>
Section 4.15 (1) (b) – the likely impacts of the development, including environmental impacts on the natural and built environment and social and economic impacts in the locality	<p>(i) Environmental Impact The environmental impacts of the proposed development on the natural and built environment are addressed under the Pittwater 21 Development Control Plan section in this report.</p> <p>(ii) Social Impact The proposed development will not have a detrimental social impact in the locality considering the character of the proposal.</p> <p>(iii) Economic Impact The proposed development will not have a detrimental economic impact on the locality considering the nature of the existing and proposed land use.</p>
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.

BUSHFIRE PRONE LAND

The site is not classified as bush fire prone land.

NOTIFICATION & SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED

The subject development application has been publicly exhibited in accordance with the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000 and the relevant Development Control Plan.

As a result of the public exhibition of the application Council received no submissions.

MEDIATION

No requests for mediation have been made in relation to this application.

REFERRALS

Internal Referral Body	Comments
Landscape Officer	<p>The alteration and addition application with proposed new entry and passenger lift is acceptable.</p> <p>There is no Landscape impact.</p>
NECC (Bushland and Biodiversity)	<p>The application has been assessed against the Pittwater LEP Clause 7.6, and Pittwater 21 DCP Clauses B4.3 Flora and Fauna Category 2 Land, B4.7 Pittwater Spotted Gum, and aquatic controls Pittwater 21 DCP Clauses B4.16 Seagrass Conservation and B4.19 Estuarine Habitat. The site is also mapped as a wildlife corridor and Pittwater Spotted Gum EEC under the SMCMA v3 mapping (OEH 2016).</p> <p>The proposal is for the alterations and additions of an existing dwelling, including the installation of a lift. The proposal will be generally within the existing dwelling footprint, and is not likely to impact on any biodiversity values or native vegetation.</p> <p>The proposal is not anticipated to impact on the aquatic values of the site. As such, the proposal is consistent with Clauses B4.16 and B4.19.</p> <p>Council's Natural Environment – Biodiversity section supports the application.</p>
NECC (Coast and Catchments)	<p>Estuarine Risk Management</p> <p>The property at 166 Prince Alfred Parade, Newport has been identified as being affected by estuarine wave action and tidal inundation on Council's Estuarine Hazard Mapping. The Estuarine</p>

Internal Referral Body	Comments
	<p>Risk Management Policy for Development in Pittwater (Appendix 7, Pittwater 21 DCP) and the relevant B3.7 Estuarine Hazard Controls will apply to any proposed development of the site.</p> <p>However, as no new development is proposed at the foreshore or below about RL 10.00m AHD (i.e. all development proposed is above the base Estuarine Planning Level) the application is able to satisfy the relevant requirements of the Estuarine Risk Management Policy and associated Estuarine Hazard controls without conditions.</p> <p>State Environmental Planning Policy (Coastal Management) 2018 12 Development on land within the coastal vulnerability area</p> <p><i>Development consent must not be granted to development on land that is within the area identified as “coastal vulnerability area” on the Coastal Vulnerability Area Map unless the consent authority is satisfied that:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>(a) if the proposed development comprises the erection of a building or works—the building or works are engineered to withstand current and projected coastal hazards for the design life of the building or works, and</i> <i>(b) the proposed development:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>(i) is not likely to alter coastal processes to the detriment of the natural environment or other land, and</i> <i>(ii) is not likely to reduce the public amenity, access to and use of any beach, foreshore, rock platform or headland adjacent to the proposed development, and</i> <i>(iii) incorporates appropriate measures to manage risk to life and public safety from coastal hazards, and</i> <i>(c) measures are in place to ensure that there are appropriate responses to, and management of, anticipated coastal processes and current and future coastal hazards.</i> <p><u>Comment:</u> The subject land has not been included on the Coastal Vulnerability Area Map under <i>State Environmental Planning Policy (Coastal Management) 2018</i> (CM SEPP) and in regard to clause 15 of the CM SEPP the proposed development is unlikely to cause increased risk of coastal hazards on the subject land or other land. As such, it is considered that the application complies with the requirements of <i>State Environmental Planning Policy (Coastal Management) 2018</i> as they relate to development on land identified as a coastal vulnerability area or land that may be affected by coastal hazards.</p>
NECC (Riparian Lands and Creeks)	This application is recommended for approval as there are no changes to impervious area and water quality and riparian controls are not triggered.

Internal Referral Body	Comments
	Any waste removed during construction should be disposed of directly into bins. If necessary, they should be stockpiled where they will not drain directly to the gutter or to the Pittwater waterway, and secured to prevent dispersion.
Parks, reserves, beaches, foreshore	

External Referral Body	Comments				
Ausgrid: (SEPP Infra.)	The proposal was referred to Ausgrid. No response has been received within the 21 day statutory period and therefore, it is assumed that no objections are raised and no conditions are recommended.				
Aboriginal Heritage Office	Conclusion / General Comments <table border="1"> <tr> <th colspan="2">Recommendation</th></tr> <tr> <td>APPROVAL</td><td>No Conditions</td></tr> </table>	Recommendation		APPROVAL	No Conditions
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ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING INSTRUMENTS (EPis)*

All, Environmental Planning Instruments (SEPPs, REPs 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, REPs 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 55 - Remediation of Land

Clause 7 (1) (a) of SEPP 55 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 Clause 7 (1) (b) and (c) of SEPP 55 and the land is considered to be suitable for the residential land use.

SEPP (Building Sustainability Index: BASIX) 2004

A BASIX certificate has been submitted with the application (see Certificate No. A335726_02, dated 7 December 2018).

A condition has been included in the recommendation of this report requiring compliance with the

commitments indicated in the BASIX Certificate.

SEPP (Infrastructure) 2007

Ausgrid

Clause 45 of the SEPP 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.

Comment:

The proposal was referred to Ausgrid. No response has been received within the 21 day statutory period and therefore, it is assumed that no objections are raised and no conditions are recommended.

SEPP (Coastal Management) 2018

The site is subject to SEPP Coastal Management (2018). Accordingly, an assessment under the SEPP has been carried out as follows:

13 Development on land within the coastal environment area

- (1) *Development consent must not be granted to development on land that is within the coastal environment area unless the consent authority has considered whether the proposed development is likely to cause an adverse impact on the following:*
- (a) *the integrity and resilience of the biophysical, hydrological (surface and groundwater) and ecological environment,*
 - (b) *coastal environmental values and natural coastal processes,*
 - (c) *the water quality of the marine estate (within the meaning of the Marine Estate Management Act 2014), in particular, the cumulative impacts of the proposed development on any of the sensitive coastal lakes identified in Schedule 1,*
 - (d) *marine vegetation, native vegetation and fauna and their habitats, undeveloped headlands and rock platforms,*
 - (e) *existing public open space and safe access to and along the foreshore, beach, headland or rock platform for members of the public, including persons with a disability,*
 - (f) *Aboriginal cultural heritage, practices and places,*
 - (g) *the use of the surf zone.*

Comment:

The proposed development does not involve any enlargement of the footprint of the existing dwelling and is contained within its existing excavation areas. No adverse impacts upon the coastal environment is expected as a result of the proposed development. All existing natural coastal features are not to be altered by the proposal.

- (2) *Development consent must not be granted to development on land to which this clause applies unless the consent authority is satisfied that:*
- (a) *the development is designed, sited and will be managed to avoid an adverse impact referred to in subclause (1), or*
 - (b) *if that impact cannot be reasonably avoided—the development is designed, sited and will be managed to minimise that impact, or*
 - (c) *if that impact cannot be minimised—the development will be managed to mitigate that impact.*

Comment:

The proposed development is considered to adequately avoid adverse impacts to the natural coastal features and processes identified in subclause (1).

14 Development on land within the coastal use area

- (1) *Development consent must not be granted to development on land that is within the coastal use area unless the consent authority:*
- (a) *has considered whether the proposed development is likely to cause an adverse impact on the following:*
 - (i) *existing, safe access to and along the foreshore, beach, headland or rock platform for members of the public, including persons with a disability,*
 - (ii) *overshadowing, wind funnelling and the loss of views from public places to foreshores,*
 - (iii) *the visual amenity and scenic qualities of the coast, including coastal headlands,*
 - (iv) *Aboriginal cultural heritage, practices and places,*
 - (v) *cultural and built environment heritage, and*
 - (b) *is satisfied that:*
 - (i) *the development is designed, sited and will be managed to avoid an adverse impact referred to in paragraph (a), or*
 - (ii) *if that impact cannot be reasonably avoided—the development is designed, sited and will be managed to minimise that impact, or*
 - (iii) *if that impact cannot be minimised—the development will be managed to mitigate that impact, and*
 - (c) *has taken into account the surrounding coastal and built environment, and the bulk, scale and size of the proposed development.*

Comment:

No change to the existing level of access to the foreshore area or impacts to the scenic quality and environmental heritage of the locality is expected as a result of the proposed development.

As such, it is considered that the application does comply with the requirements of the State Environmental Planning Policy (Coastal Management) 2018.

Pittwater Local Environmental Plan 2014

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	9.34m	9.88%	No

Compliance Assessment

Clause	Compliance with Requirements
1.9A Suspension of covenants, agreements and instruments	Yes
4.3 Height of buildings	No
4.6 Exceptions to development standards	Yes
7.1 Acid sulfate soils	Yes
7.2 Earthworks	Yes
7.3 Flood planning	Yes
7.6 Biodiversity protection	Yes
7.7 Geotechnical hazards	Yes
7.8 Limited development on foreshore area	Yes
7.10 Essential services	Yes

Detailed Assessment

Zone E4 Environmental Living

A small portion of the site near the Pittwater foreshore is zoned E2 Environmental Conservation. The E2 land use controls do not apply to the proposed development as extent of the works are contained within the E4 Environmental Living portion of the site. All other reference to the E2 zone is not included in this report.

4.6 Exceptions to development standards

Description of non-compliance:

Development standard:	Height of buildings
Requirement:	8.5m
Proposed:	9.34m
Percentage variation to requirement:	9.88%

Assessment of request to vary a development standard:

The following assessment of the variation to Clause 4.3 – Height of Buildings development standard, has taken into consideration the recent judgement contained within *Initial Action Pty Ltd v Woollahra Municipal Council* [2018] NSWLEC 118.

Clause 4.6 Exceptions to development standards:

(1) The objectives of this clause are as follows:

- (a) to provide an appropriate degree of flexibility in applying certain development standards to particular development,*
- (b) to achieve better outcomes for and from development by allowing flexibility in particular circumstances.*

(2) Development consent may, subject to this clause, be granted for development even though the development would contravene a development standard imposed by this or any other environmental planning instrument. However, this clause does not apply to a development standard that is expressly excluded from the operation of this clause.

Comment:

Clause 4.3 – Height of Buildings development standard is not expressly excluded from the operation of this clause.

(3) Development consent must not be granted for development that contravenes a development standard unless the consent authority has considered a written request from the applicant that seeks to justify the contravention of the development standard by demonstrating:

- (a) that compliance with the development standard is unreasonable or unnecessary in the circumstances of the case, and*
- (b) that there are sufficient environmental planning grounds to justify contravening the development standard.*

(4) Development consent must not be granted for development that contravenes a development standard unless:

(a) the consent authority is satisfied that:

- (i) the applicant's written request has adequately addressed the matters required to be demonstrated by subclause (3), and*
- (ii) the proposed development will be in the public interest because it is consistent with the objectives of the particular standard and the objectives for development within the zone in which the development is proposed to be carried out, and*
- (b) the concurrence of the Secretary has been obtained.*

Clause 4.6 (4)(a)(i) (Justification) assessment:

Clause 4.6 (4)(a)(i) requires the consent authority to be satisfied that the applicant's written request, seeking to justify the contravention of the development standard, has adequately addressed the matters required to be demonstrated by cl 4.6(3). There are two separate matters for consideration contained within cl 4.6(3) and these are addressed as follows:

(a) that compliance with the development standard is unreasonable or unnecessary in the circumstances of the case, and

Comment:

The Applicant's written request (attached to this report as an Appendix) has demonstrated that the objectives of the development standard are achieved, notwithstanding the non-compliance with the development standard.

In doing so, the Applicant's written request has adequately demonstrated that compliance with the development standard is unreasonable or unnecessary in the circumstances of this case as required by cl 4.6(3)(a).

(b) that there are sufficient environmental planning grounds to justify contravening the development standard.

Comment:

In the matter of Initial Action Pty Ltd v Woollahra Municipal Council [2018] NSWLEC 118, Preston CJ provides the following guidance (para 23) to inform the consent authority's finding that the applicant's written request has adequately demonstrated that there are sufficient environmental planning grounds to justify contravening the development standard:

'As to the second matter required by cl 4.6(3)(b), the grounds relied on by the applicant in the written request under cl 4.6 must be "environmental planning grounds" by their nature: see Four2Five Pty Ltd v Ashfield Council [2015] NSWLEC 90 at [26]. The adjectival phrase "environmental planning" is not defined, but would refer to grounds that relate to the subject matter, scope and purpose of the EPA Act, including the objects in s 1.3 of the EPA Act.'

s 1.3 of the EPA Act reads as follows:

1.3 Objects of Act(cf previous s 5)

The objects of this Act are as follows:

- (a) to promote the social and economic welfare of the community and a better environment by the proper management, development and conservation of the State's natural and other resources,*
- (b) to facilitate ecologically sustainable development by integrating relevant economic, environmental and social considerations in decision-making about environmental planning and assessment,*
- (c) to promote the orderly and economic use and development of land,*
- (d) to promote the delivery and maintenance of affordable housing,*
- (e) to protect the environment, including the conservation of threatened and other species of native animals and plants, ecological communities and their habitats,*
- (f) to promote the sustainable management of built and cultural heritage (including Aboriginal cultural heritage),*
- (g) to promote good design and amenity of the built environment,*
- (h) to promote the proper construction and maintenance of buildings, including the protection of the health and safety of their occupants,*
- (i) to promote the sharing of the responsibility for environmental planning and assessment between the different levels of government in the State,*
- (j) to provide increased opportunity for community participation in environmental planning and assessment.*

The applicants written request argues, in part:

Due to the siting of the existing development and sloping topography of the site, the proposed new works will be up to approximately 9.34m in height.

The development is justified in this instance for the following reasons:

- *Compliance with the height control is constrained by the siting of the existing building and sloping topography of the site.*
- *The development does not result in a significant bulk when viewed from either the street or the neighbouring properties.*
- *The development will maintain a compatible scale relationship with the existing residential development in the area. Development in the vicinity has a wide range of architectural styles and the given the variety in the scale of development, this proposal will reflect a positive contribution to its streetscape.*
- *The extent of the proposed new works where they are not compliant with Council's maximum height control do not present any significant impacts in terms of view loss for neighbours, loss of solar access or unreasonable bulk and scale.*
- *The proposed works will provide for improved access and amenity for the building's occupants, which promotes good design and amenity which is consistent with the Objective 1.3 (g) of the EPA Act which is a suitable environmental planning ground which justifies the flexible application of the development standard.*

Having regard to the above, it is considered there are sufficient environmental planning grounds to justify a variation of the development standard for maximum building height.

It is considered that the justification provided by the applicant is satisfactory in detailing the reasons that the strict numerical imposition of the height of building control would be unreasonable and unnecessary in this instance. Inspection of the site revealed the overall impact of the proposed development on the bulk and scale of the dwelling would not be significant. The extent of the proposed development remains beneath the tree canopy and cannot easily be viewed from the public domain. Impact upon the adjoining properties is also expected to be negligible.

In this regard, the applicant's written request has demonstrated that the proposed development is an orderly and economic use and development of the land, and that the structure is of a good design that will reasonably protect and improve the amenity of the surrounding built environment, therefore satisfying cls 1.3 (c) and (g) of the EPA Act.

Therefore, the applicant's written request has adequately demonstrated that there are sufficient environmental planning grounds to justify contravening the development standard as required by cl 4.6 (3)(b).

Therefore, Council is satisfied that the applicant's written request has adequately addressed the matters required to be demonstrated by cl 4.6(3).

Clause 4.6 (4)(a)(ii) (Public Interest) assessment:

cl 4.6 (4)(a)(ii) requires the consent authority to be satisfied that:

(ii) the proposed development will be in the public interest because it is consistent with the objectives of the particular standard and the objectives for development within the zone in which the development is proposed to be carried out

Comment:

In considering whether or not the proposed development will be in the public interest, consideration must be given to the underlying objectives of the Height of Buildings development standard and the objectives of the E4 Environmental Living zone. An assessment against these objectives is provided below.

Objectives of development standard

The underlying objectives of the standard, pursuant to Clause 4.3 – ‘Height of buildings’ of the PLEP 2014 are:

(1) The objectives of this clause are as follows:

a) to ensure that any building, by virtue of its height and scale, is consistent with the desired character of the locality,

Comment:

The proposed development is consistent with the desired character of the area. No change to the residential use of the site is proposed and existing site coverage is to be maintained.

b) to ensure that buildings are compatible with the height and scale of surrounding and nearby development,

Comment:

The overall height of the proposed development will remain generally consistent with the height and scale of buildings in the locality.

c) to minimise any overshadowing of neighbouring properties,

Comment:

No additional overshadowing impacts are expected as a result of the proposed development.

d) to allow for the reasonable sharing of views,

Comment:

Existing views will be maintained.

e) to encourage buildings that are designed to respond sensitively to the natural topography,

Comment:

The design of the existing dwelling remains substantially unchanged and the extent of the height non-compliance is limited to a small area of the roof of the dwelling.

f) to minimise the adverse visual impact of development on the natural environment, heritage conservation areas and heritage items,

Comment:

The proposed development is not expected to have an unacceptable impact upon the surrounding natural environment. No increase to the existing site coverage is proposed and no pruning or removal of vegetation is required.

Zone objectives

The underlying objectives of the E4 Environmental Living zone are:

- *To provide for low-impact residential development in areas with special ecological, scientific or aesthetic values.*

Comment:

The intensity of land use is expected to remain the same as existing.

It is considered that the development satisfies this objective.

- *To ensure that residential development does not have an adverse effect on those values.*

Comment:

No change to the site coverage of the existing dwelling is proposed. The proposed development is designed as to have little-to-no impact upon the natural environment of the site and its surrounds.

It is considered that the development satisfies this objective.

- *To provide for residential development of a low density and scale integrated with the landform and landscape.*

Comment:

The proposed development retains the existing low density residential scale with integration into the natural landscape.

It is considered that the development satisfies this objective.

- *To encourage development that retains and enhances riparian and foreshore vegetation and wildlife corridors.*

Comment:

No works are proposed that will impact upon vegetation and foreshore areas of the site.

It is considered that the development satisfies this objective.

Conclusion:

For the reasons detailed above, the proposal is considered to be consistent with the objectives of the E4 Environmental Living zone.

Clause 4.6 (4)(b) (Concurrence of the Secretary) assessment:

cl. 4.6(4)(b) requires the concurrence of the Secretary to be obtained in order for development consent to be granted.

Planning Circular PS 18-003 dated 21 February 2018, as issued by the NSW Department of Planning,

advises that the concurrence of the Secretary may be assumed for exceptions to development standards under environmental planning instruments that adopt Clause 4.6 of the Standard Instrument. In this regard, given the consistency of the variation to the objectives of the zone, the concurrence of the Secretary for the variation to the Height of buildings Development Standard is assumed by the Local Planning Panel.

Pittwater 21 Development Control Plan

Built Form Controls

Built Form Control	Requirement	Proposed	Complies
Front building line	6.5m	Lift - Approx. 55m No change to existing dwelling front building line	Yes
Rear building line	6.5m	Lift - 35.4m No change to existing dwelling rear building line	Yes
Side building line	North - 2.5m	Lift - 18.1m No change to existing dwelling side building line	Yes
	South - 1m	Lift - 6.8m No change to existing dwelling side building line	Yes
Building envelope	North - 3.5m	Within envelope	Yes
	South - 3.5m	Within envelope	Yes
Landscaped area	60%	No change to existing landscaped area	Yes

Compliance Assessment

Clause	Compliance with Requirements	Consistency Aims/Objectives
A1.7 Considerations before consent is granted	Yes	Yes
A4.10 Newport Locality	Yes	Yes
A5.1 Exhibition, Advertisement and Notification of Applications	Yes	Yes
B1.3 Heritage Conservation - General	Yes	Yes
B3.1 Landslip Hazard	Yes	Yes
B3.7 Estuarine Hazard - Low density residential	Yes	Yes
B3.11 Flood Prone Land	Yes	Yes
B4.7 Pittwater Spotted Gum Forest - Endangered Ecological Community	Yes	Yes
B4.15 Saltmarsh Endangered Ecological Community	Yes	Yes
B4.20 Protection of Estuarine Water Quality	Yes	Yes
B5.10 Stormwater Discharge into Public Drainage System	Yes	Yes
B5.11 Stormwater Discharge into Waterways and Coastal Areas	Yes	Yes
B5.12 Stormwater Drainage Systems and Natural Watercourses	Yes	Yes
B5.13 Development on Waterfront Land	Yes	Yes
B6.1 Access driveways and Works on the Public Road Reserve	Yes	Yes
B6.3 Off-Street Vehicle Parking Requirements	Yes	Yes

Clause	Compliance with Requirements	Consistency Aims/Objectives
B8.1 Construction and Demolition - Excavation and Landfill	Yes	Yes
B8.2 Construction and Demolition - Erosion and Sediment Management	Yes	Yes
B8.3 Construction and Demolition - Waste Minimisation	Yes	Yes
C1.1 Landscaping	Yes	Yes
C1.2 Safety and Security	Yes	Yes
C1.3 View Sharing	Yes	Yes
C1.4 Solar Access	Yes	Yes
C1.5 Visual Privacy	Yes	Yes
C1.6 Acoustic Privacy	Yes	Yes
C1.7 Private Open Space	Yes	Yes
C1.12 Waste and Recycling Facilities	No	Yes
C1.13 Pollution Control	Yes	Yes
C1.23 Eaves	Yes	Yes
C1.25 Plant, Equipment Boxes and Lift Over-Run	Yes	Yes
D9.17 Scenic Protection Category One Areas	Yes	Yes
D10.1 Character as viewed from a public place	Yes	Yes
D10.4 Building colours and materials	Yes	Yes
D10.7 Front building line (excluding Newport Commercial Centre)	Yes	Yes
D10.8 Side and rear building line (excluding Newport Commercial Centre)	Yes	Yes
D10.11 Building envelope (excluding Newport Commercial Centre)	Yes	Yes
D10.13 Landscaped Area - Environmentally Sensitive Land	Yes	Yes
D10.18 Scenic Protection Category One Areas	Yes	Yes
D15.14 Minimum frontage for waterfront development	Yes	Yes

Detailed Assessment

C1.12 Waste and Recycling Facilities

A detailed waste management plan has not been submitted with the application. To ensure proper disposal of demolition and builders' wastes, a condition has been included in the consent requiring details prior to the issue of a construction certificate.

THREATENED SPECIES, POPULATIONS OR ECOLOGICAL COMMUNITIES

The proposal will not significantly effect 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

Pittwater Section 94 Development Contributions Plan

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 2000;
- All relevant and draft Environmental Planning Instruments;
- Pittwater Local Environment Plan;
- Pittwater 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 DA2018/1965 for Alterations and Additions to a dwelling House on land at Lot 2 DP 1211486, 166 Prince Alfred Parade, NEWPORT, subject to the conditions printed below:

DEVELOPMENT CONSENT OPERATIONAL CONDITIONS

1. Approved Plans and Supporting Documentation

The development must be carried out in compliance (except as amended by any other condition of consent) with the following:

a) Approved Plans

Architectural Plans - Endorsed with Council's stamp		
Drawing No.	Dated	Prepared By
A/02 - Roof and Entry Plans	September 2018	Atelier Haefeli Architects
A/03 - Ground and Lower Ground Plans	September 2018	Atelier Haefeli Architects
A/04 - Elevations	September 2018	Atelier Haefeli Architects

Reports / Documentation – All recommendations and requirements contained within:		
Report No. / Page No. / Section No.	Dated	Prepared By
BASIX Certificate No. A335726_02	7 December 2018	Deneb Design

b) Any plans and / or documentation submitted to satisfy the Conditions of this consent.

In the event of any inconsistency between conditions of this consent and the drawings/documents referred to above, the conditions of this consent will prevail.

Reason: To ensure the work is carried out in accordance with the determination of Council and approved plans.

2. **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 Certifying Authority 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 Certifying Authority 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 Certifying Authority for the development to which the work relates (not being the Council) has given the Council written notice of the updated information.

- (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

3. **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) At all times after the submission 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 a final Occupation Certificate. The consent shall be available for perusal of any Authorised Officer.
- (c) 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.

- (d) 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 per 20 persons.
- (e) Prior to the release of the Construction Certificate, payment of the Long Service Levy is required. This payment can be made at Council or to the Long Services Payments Corporation. Payment is not required where the value of the works is less than \$25,000. The Long Service Levy is calculated on 0.35% 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.
- (f) The applicant shall bear the cost of all works associated with the development that occurs on Council's property.
- (g) No building, demolition, excavation or material of any nature and no hoist, plant and machinery (crane, concrete pump or lift) shall be placed on Council's footpaths, roadways, parks or grass verges without Council Approval.
- (h) Demolition materials and builders' wastes are to be removed to approved waste/recycling centres.
- (i) No trees or native shrubs or understorey vegetation on public property (footpaths, roads, reserves, etc.) or on the land to be developed shall be removed or damaged during construction unless specifically approved in this consent including for the erection of any fences, hoardings or other temporary works.
- (j) 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.

- (k) 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 2008
- (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

4. Security Bond

A bond (determined from cost of works) of \$1,500 and an inspection fee in accordance with Council's Fees and Charges paid as security 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, details demonstrating payment are to be submitted to the Certifying Authority 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.

CONDITIONS TO BE SATISFIED PRIOR TO THE ISSUE OF THE CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATE

5. 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 Certifying Authority prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.

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

6. 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 Certifying Authority 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.

CONDITIONS TO BE COMPLIED WITH DURING DEMOLITION AND BUILDING WORK

7. Waste management and water pollution

Any waste removed during construction should be disposed of directly into bins. If necessary, waste must be stockpiled where it will not drain directly to the gutter or to the Pittwater waterway, and secured to prevent dispersion.

Reason: Protection of the receiving environment (DACNEEDW1)

8. No Material Storage within 5m of existing trees

All trees and vegetation are to be retained and protected.

No storage of building materials or building waste, excavated fill or topsoil storage is to occur within 5m of trees shown on the site survey. Drainage is to be arranged such that fill, building materials or contaminants are not washed within the dripline of trees.

Reason: To protect and retain all trees.

9. 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 Certifying Authority.

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

CONDITIONS WHICH MUST BE COMPLIED WITH PRIOR TO THE ISSUE OF THE OCCUPATION CERTIFICATE

10. Waste Management Confirmation

Prior to the issue of a Final Occupation Certificate, evidence / documentation must be submitted to the Principal Certifying Authority that all waste material from the development site arising from demolition and/or construction works has been appropriately recycled, reused or disposed of generally in accordance with the approved Waste Management Plan.

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

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

11. Works to cease if item found

If any Aboriginal Engravings or Relics are unearthed all work is to cease immediately and the Aboriginal Heritage Office (AHO) and Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) are to be notified.

Reason: To protect Aboriginal Heritage.

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

Signed



Nick Keeler, Planner

The application is determined on 04/03/2019, under the delegated authority of:



Anna Williams, Manager Development Assessments