

APPLICATION FOR MODIFICATION ASSESSMENT REPORT

Application Number:	Mod2022/0564
Responsible Officer:	Julie Edwards
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 41 DP 217197, 18 Koorangi Avenue ELANORA HEIGHTS NSW 2101
Proposed Development:	Modification of Development Consent DA2021/1168 granted for Construction of a swimming pool
Zoning:	R2 Low Density Residential
Development Permissible:	Yes
Existing Use Rights:	No
Consent Authority:	Northern Beaches Council
Land and Environment Court Action:	No
Owner:	Matthew James McGrath Amanda Jane McGrath
Applicant:	Matthew James McGrath
Application Lodged:	11/10/2022
Integrated Development:	No
Designated Development:	No
State Reporting Category:	Refer to Development Application
Notified:	Not Notified
Advertised:	Not Advertised
Submissions Received:	0
Clause 4.6 Variation:	Nil
Recommendation:	Approval

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT IN DETAIL

The application seeks to modify DA2021/1168 by moving the sandstone retaining wall to be positioned a suitable distance from Sydney Water Assets.

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

There are no assessment issues.

SITE DESCRIPTION

Property Description:	Lot 41 DP 217197 , 18 Koorangi Avenue ELANORA HEIGHTS NSW 2101
Detailed Site Description:	<p>The subject site consists of one battleaxe allotment located on the northern side of Koorangi Avenue.</p> <p>The site is irregular in shape with a width of 24.1m along and a depth of 50.1m (excluding the access handle). The site has a surveyed area of 1037.4m².</p> <p>The site is located within the R2 Low Density Residential zone and accommodates a two storey dwelling currently under construction.</p> <p>The site is relatively flat.</p> <p>The site is currently under construction and has no landscaping. There are no known threatened species on the site.</p> <p>Detailed Description of Adjoining/Surrounding Development Adjoining and surrounding development is characterised by one to two storey residential dwellings of varying architectural styles.</p> <p>Site Inspection A site inspection was conducted 20 October 2022.</p>

Map:



SITE HISTORY

Development Application DA2021/1168 was determined 14 October 2021.

ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT, 1979 (EPAA)

The relevant matters for consideration under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979, are:

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 and is attached taking into all relevant provisions of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 and associated regulations;
- A site inspection was conducted and consideration has been given to the impacts of the development upon all lands whether nearby, adjoining or at a distance;
- Consideration was given to all documentation provided (up to the time of determination) by the applicant, persons who have made submissions regarding the application and any advice given by relevant Council / Government / Authority Officers on the proposal;

In this regard, the consideration of the application adopts the previous assessment detailed in the Assessment Report for DA2021/1168, in full, with amendments detailed and assessed as follows:

The relevant matters for consideration under Section 4.55(1A) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979, are:

Section 4.55(1A) - Other Modifications	Comments
A consent authority may, on application being made by the applicant or any other person entitled to act on a consent granted by the consent authority and subject to and in accordance with the regulations, modify the consent if:	
(a) it is satisfied that the proposed	Yes

Section 4.55(1A) - Other Modifications	Comments
modification is of minimal environmental impact, and	<p>The modification, as proposed in this application, is considered to be of minimal environmental impact for the following reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compliance with major applicable development standards and controls (e.g. height, setbacks, etc.) will remain generally consistent with the original consent. • The proposal will not affect the findings and recommendations of previously approved consultant reports. • The external appearance of the development will be largely unchanged by the proposed modifications.
(b) it is satisfied that the development to which the consent as modified relates is substantially the same development as the development for which consent was originally granted and before that consent as originally granted was modified (if at all), and	<p>The consent authority can be satisfied that the development to which the consent as modified relates is substantially the same as the development for which the consent was originally granted under DA2021/1168 for the following reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The modification is consistent with the approved alterations and additions to the existing dwelling, • The modification does not alter the low density residential land use of the site, • The expected outcomes of the original assessment are maintained under the modification.
(c) it has notified the application in accordance with: (i) the regulations, if the regulations so require, or (ii) a development control plan, if the consent authority is a council that has made a development control plan under section 72 that requires the notification or advertising of applications for modification of a development consent, and	<p>The application has been publicly exhibited in accordance with the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021, and the Northern Beaches Community Participation Plan.</p>
(d) it has considered any submissions made concerning the proposed modification within any period prescribed by the regulations or provided by the development control plan, as the case may be.	<p>See discussion on “Notification & Submissions Received” in this report.</p>

Section 4.15 Assessment

In accordance with Section 4.55 (3) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, in

determining an modification application made under Section 4.55 the consent authority must take into consideration such of the matters referred to in section 4.15 (1) as are of relevance to the development the subject of the application.

The relevant matters for consideration under Section 4.15 of 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	There are no current draft environmental planning instruments.
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 2021 (EP&A Regulation 2021)	<p><u>Part 4, Division 2</u> of the EP&A Regulation 2021 requires the consent authority to consider "Prescribed conditions" of development consent. These matters have been addressed via a condition of consent.</p> <p><u>Clauses 36 and 94</u> of the EP&A Regulation 2021 allow Council to request additional information. No additional information was requested in this case.</p> <p><u>Clause 61</u> of the EP&A Regulation 2021 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><u>Clause 69</u> of the EP&A Regulation 2021 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><u>Clause 69</u> of the EP&A Regulation 2021 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>

Section 4.15 'Matters for Consideration'	Comments
	(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.
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 classified as bush fire prone land. Section 4.14 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 requires Council to be satisfied that the development conforms to the specifications and requirements of the version (as prescribed by the regulations) of the document entitled Planning for Bush Fire Protection.

A Bush Fire Report was submitted with the original application DA2021/1168 that included a certificate (prepared by Bushfire Consulting Services Pty Ltd, dated 9 July 2021) stating that the development conforms to the relevant specifications and requirements within Planning for Bush Fire Protection. No changes are proposed to the development that would alter the recommendations of the Bushfire Report. The recommendations of the Bush Fire Report have been included in the original conditions of consent and still apply to the this modification.

NOTIFICATION & SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED

The subject development application was not notified.

REFERRALS

Internal Referral Body	Comments
Landscape Officer	No issues are raised by Landscape Referral.
NECC (Development Engineering)	18/10/2022: Application is for modifying the DA Consent, to allow the sandstone retaining wall to be positioned to a suitable distance from Sydney Water Assets at rear of site. No objections are raised to approval. Existing Engineering conditions to DA2021/1168 are considered to still be relevant and adequate.

ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING INSTRUMENTS (EPIs)*

All, Environmental Planning Instruments (SEPPs 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 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 (Resilience and Hazards) 2021

Chapter 4 – Remediation of Land

Sub-section 4.6 (1)(a) of Chapter 4 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 sub-section 4.6 (1)(b) and (c) of this Chapter and the land is considered to be suitable for the residential land use.

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

Development Standard	Requirement	Approved	Proposed	Complies
Height of Buildings:	8.5m	Unaltered	Unaltered	Yes

Compliance Assessment

Clause	Compliance with Requirements
1.9A Suspension of covenants, agreements and instruments	Yes
4.3 Height of buildings	Yes
5.10 Heritage conservation	Yes
5.21 Flood planning	Yes
7.1 Acid sulfate soils	Yes
7.2 Earthworks	Yes

Clause	Compliance with Requirements
7.10 Essential services	Yes

Pittwater 21 Development Control Plan

Built Form Controls

Built Form Control	Requirement	Approved	Proposed	Complies
Rear building line	6.5m	3.1m	unaltered	Yes
Side building line	East - 2.5m	3.2m	unaltered	Yes
	West - 1m	unaltered	unaltered	Yes
Landscaped area	50%	50% (519.1m ²)	unaltered	Yes

Compliance Assessment

Clause	Compliance with Requirements	Consistency Aims/Objectives
A1.7 Considerations before consent is granted	Yes	Yes
A4.5 Elanora Heights Locality	Yes	Yes
B3.6 Contaminated Land and Potentially Contaminated Land	Yes	Yes
B3.11 Flood Prone Land	Yes	Yes
B4.5 Landscape and Flora and Fauna Enhancement Category 3 Land	Yes	Yes
B5.15 Stormwater	Yes	Yes
B8.1 Construction and Demolition - Excavation and Landfill	Yes	Yes
B8.3 Construction and Demolition - Waste Minimisation	Yes	Yes
B8.4 Construction and Demolition - Site Fencing and Security	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
C1.13 Pollution Control	Yes	Yes
C1.17 Swimming Pool Safety	Yes	Yes
D5.1 Character as viewed from a public place (Excluding Elanora Heights Village Centre)	Yes	Yes
D5.2 Scenic protection - General	Yes	Yes
D5.3 Building colours and materials (Excluding Elanora Heights Village Centre)	Yes	Yes

Clause	Compliance with Requirements	Consistency Aims/Objectives
D5.5 Front building line (Excluding Elanora Heights Village Centre)	Yes	Yes
D5.6 Side and rear building line (Excluding Elanora Heights Village Centre)	Yes	Yes
D5.7 Building envelope (Excluding Elanora Heights Village Centre)	Yes	Yes
D5.8 Landscaped Area - General (Excluding Elanora Heights Village Centre)	Yes	Yes
D5.13 Construction, Retaining walls, terracing and undercroft areas (Excluding Elanora Heights Village Centre)	Yes	Yes

THREATENED SPECIES, POPULATIONS OR ECOLOGICAL COMMUNITIES

The proposal will not significantly affect 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

Northern Beaches Section 7.12 Contributions Plan 2022

Section 7.12 contributions were levied on the Development Application.

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 2021;
- 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 approval to Modification Application No. Mod2022/0564 for Modification of Development Consent DA2021/1168 granted for Construction of a swimming pool on land at Lot 41 DP 217197, 18 Koorangi Avenue, ELANORA HEIGHTS, subject to the conditions printed below:

A. Add Condition No.1A - Modification of Consent - Approved Plans and supporting Documentation to read as follows:

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

a) Modification Approved Plans

Architectural Plans - Endorsed with Council's stamp		
Drawing No.	Dated	Prepared By
09320-00 - REV K - Sydney Water Setbacks	28-9-2022	Living Image Landscape Architects

c) Any plans and / or documentation submitted to satisfy the Deferred Commencement Conditions of this consent as approved in writing by Council.

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

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

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

Signed



Julie Edwards, Planner

The application is determined on 20/10/2022, under the delegated authority of:



Steven Findlay, Manager Development Assessments