

# Landscape Referral Response

Application Number:	DA2022/0840
Date:	14/12/2022
	Alterations and additions to a dwelling house including a swimming pool
Responsible Officer:	Maxwell Duncan
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 1 DP 932637 , 41 Pacific Parade MANLY NSW 2095

#### Reasons for referral

This application seeks consent for the following:

- Construction / development works within 5 metres of a tree or
- New residential works with three or more dwellings. (RFB's, townhouses, seniors living, guesthouses, etc). or
- Mixed use developments containing three or more residential dwellings.
- New Dwellings or

#### Officer comments

The development application is for alterations and additions to the existing dwelling, as described and illustrated in the Reports and Plans. A Landscape Plan and a Arboricultural Impact Assessment accompany the application and are assessed as part of this Landscape Referral. It is noted that the Landscape Plan only provides information of existing trees retained or removed, walling and stairs, paved and deck areas, garden areas, and lawn areas, without any other landscape design information, and this matter shall be discussed latter in the assessment.

Council's Landscape Referral section have considered the application against the Manly Local Environment Plan, and the following Manly DCP 2013 controls (but not limited to):

- 3.3.1 Landscaping Design
- 3.3.2 Preservation of Trees or Bushland Vegetation

• 4.1 Residential Development Controls including but not limited to 4.1.4 Setbacks (front, side and rear) and Building Separation, and 4.1.5 Open Space and Landscaping, and 4.1.5.2 (c) Minimum Tree Plantings where applicable

All the existing street trees along Pacific Parade are protected under Local Heritage item i191 of the Manly Local Environmental Plan, including the Camphor Laurel fronting the development site and identified as tree 18 in the Arboricultural Impact Assessment.

Updated Plans are submitted in response to the previous Landscape Referral concerns and it is noted that the landscape area within the frontage is increased to enable planting including tree planting to be established to soften the built form in consideration of Manly DCP control 4.1.4 Setbacks.

It is noted that the proposed building extension and the proposed pool and outdoor living area with decking, paving and walling requires the removal of two existing trees identified in the Arboricultural Impact Assessment as tree 7 (Jacaranda) and tree 8 (Mango) however both as exempt species by species type (tree 7) of by height (tree 8) and no objections are therefore raised as under the DCP management or removal can proceed without Council consent. Additionally other existing trees within



the front setback and part of the western side boundary are proposed for removal including tree 1 (Frangipani), tree 2 (Tree Fern), tree 3 (Pittosporum), and trees 5 and 6 (Kentia Palm), and removal of these mainly exempt species is unavoidable should the application be approved.

The updated Landscape Plan includes an indication of additional planting to enhance the landscape setting including tree and other planting without any identification of selected species, and thus Landscape Referral shall provide imposed conditions for planting types and quantities.

The proposal is therefore supported.

Note: Should you have any concerns with the referral comments above, please discuss these with the Responsible Officer.

## **Recommended Landscape Conditions:**

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

#### Heritage Listed Trees

The site contains / is adjacent to Heritage Listed Trees as identified in the Local Environmental Plan. Heritage Listed Trees are to be protected from damage during construction.

a) The following Heritage Listed Trees are located within the vicinity of the approved works:

i) all the existing street trees along Pacific Parade are protected under Local Heritage item i191,
ii) specifically the Camphor Laurel fronting the development property shall be protected and the works under b) i) and ii)below shall be conducted.

b) A Tree Protection Plan is to be prepared by an Arborist with minimum AQF Level 5 in arboriculture incorporating the following:

i) annotated photographs of the tree(s) trunk, branches and any exposed roots,

ii) tree protection measures in accordance with AS4970-Protection of Trees on Development Sites.

Reason: Protection of significant community assets.

## CONDITIONS THAT MUST BE ADDRESSED PRIOR TO ANY COMMENCEMENT

#### **Project Arborist**

All the existing street trees along Pacific Parade are protected under Local Heritage item i191 of the Manly Local Environmental Plan, including the Camphor Laurel fronting the development site and identified as tree 18 in the Arboricultural Impact Assessment.

tree 4 - Callistemon viminalis located within No. 43 requires tree sensitive construction and supervision by a PA during any demolition or construction works.

A Project Arborist with minimum AQF Level 5 in arboriculture shall be engaged to provide tree protection measures in accordance with Australian Standard 4970-2009 Protection of Trees on Development Sites, and the recommendations of the Arboricultural Impact Assessment.

The Project Arborist shall be in attendance and supervise all works as nominated in the Arboricultural Impact Assessment or otherwise imposed, and in particular:

i) excavation and construction works in the vicinity of tree 4 - Callistemon viminalis located within No. 43, requiring tree sensitive construction and supervision,

ii) tree protection of the existing street tree identified as tree 18 - Camphor Laurel.



Existing ground levels shall be maintained within the tree protection zone of trees to be retained, unless authorised by the Project Arborist.

All tree protection measures specified must:

- a) be in place before work commences on the site, and
- b) be maintained in good condition during the construction period, and
- c) remain in place for the duration of the construction works.

The Project Arborist shall provide certification to the Certifier that all recommendations listed for the protection of the existing tree(s) have been carried out satisfactorily to ensure no impact to the health of the tree(s). Photographic documentation of the condition of all trees to be retained shall be recorded, including at commencement, during the works and at completion.

Note:

i) A separate permit or development consent may be required if the branches or roots of a protected tree on the site or on an adjoining site are required to be pruned or removed.

ii) Any potential impact to trees as assessed by the Project Arborist will require redesign of any approved component to ensure existing trees upon the subject site and adjoining properties are preserved and shall be the subject of a modification application where applicable.

Reason: Tree protection.

## Tree Removal Within the Property

This consent approves the removal of the following tree(s) within the property (as recommended in the Arboricultural Impact Assessment):

i) trees numbered 1, 2, and 3,

ii) a qualified AQF level 5 Arborist shall identify these trees on site and tag or mark prior to removal.

Exempt Species (by species type or by height) as listed in the Development Control Plan do not require Council consent for management or removal, and the following exempt species are identified in the Arboricultural Impact Assessment: trees numbered 5, 6, 7 and 8.

Reason: To enable authorised development works.

# CONDITIONS TO BE COMPLIED WITH DURING DEMOLITION AND BUILDING WORK

#### **Tree and Vegetation Protection**

a) Existing trees and vegetation shall be retained and protected, including:

i) all trees and vegetation within the site not approved for removal,

ii) all trees and vegetation located on adjoining properties,

iii) all road reserve trees and vegetation.

b) Tree protection shall be undertaken as follows:

i) tree protection shall be in accordance with Australian Standard 4970-2009 Protection of Trees on Development Sites, including the provision of temporary fencing to protect existing trees within 5 metres of development,

ii) existing ground levels shall be maintained within the tree protection zone of trees to be retained, unless authorised by an Arborist with minimum AQF Level 5 in arboriculture,

iii) removal of existing tree roots at or >25mm ( $\emptyset$ ) diameter is not permitted without consultation with an Arborist with minimum AQF Level 5 in arboriculture,

iv) no excavated material, building material storage, site facilities, nor landscape materials are to be placed within the canopy dripline of trees and other vegetation required to be retained,



v) structures are to bridge tree roots at or >25mm ( $\emptyset$ ) diameter unless directed by an Arborist with minimum AQF Level 5 in arboriculture on site,

vi) excavation for stormwater lines and all other utility services is not permitted within the tree protection zone, without consultation with an Arborist with minimum AQF Level 5 in arboriculture including advice on root protection measures,

vii) should either or all of v) or vi) occur during site establishment and construction works, an Arborist with minimum AQF Level 5 in arboriculture shall provide recommendations for tree protection measures. Details including photographic evidence of works undertaken shall be submitted by the Arborist to the Principal Certifier,

viii) any temporary access to, or location of scaffolding within the tree protection zone of a protected tree or any other tree to be retained during the construction works is to be undertaken using the protection measures specified in sections 4.5.3 and 4.5.6 of Australian Standard 4970-2009 Protection of Trees on Development Sites,

ix) the activities listed in section 4.2 of Australian Standard 4970-2009 Protection of Trees on Development Sites shall not occur within the tree protection zone of any tree on the lot or any tree on an adjoining site,

x) tree pruning from within the site to enable approved works shall not exceed 10% of any tree canopy, and shall be in accordance with Australian Standard 4373-2007 Pruning of Amenity Trees,

xi) the tree protection measures specified in this clause must: i) be in place before work commences on the site, and ii) be maintained in good condition during the construction period, and iii) remain in place for the duration of the construction works.

c) Tree protection shall specifically be undertaken in accordance with the recommendations in the Arboricultural Impact Assessment.

The Principal Certifier must ensure that:

d) The arboricultural works listed in c) are undertaken and certified by an Arborist as complaint to the recommendations of the Arboricultural Impact Assessment.

e) The activities listed in section 4.2 of Australian Standard 4970-2009 Protection of Trees on Development Sites, do not occur within the tree protection zone of any tree, and any temporary access to, or location of scaffolding within the tree protection zone of a protected tree, or any other tree to be retained on the site during the construction, is undertaken using the protection measures specified in sections 4.5.3 and 4.5.6 of that standard.

Reason: Tree and vegetation protection.

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

#### Landscape Completion

Landscaping is to be implemented in accordance with the approved Landscape Plan, and inclusive of the following conditions:

i) the nominated three trees (two in the front of one in the rear of the property) shall be selected from Northern Beaches Council's Native Plant Species Guide - Manly Ward, Manly DCP Schedule 4 - Part B - Native Tree Selection, or Council's Tree Guide,

ii) all tree planting shall be a minimum pre-ordered planting size of 75 litres, and shall meet the requirements of Natspec - Specifying Trees, planted into a prepared planting hole 1m x 1m x 600mm depth, backfilled with a sandy loam mix or approved similar, mulched to 75mm depth minimum and maintained, and watered until established, and shall be located at least 3.0 metres from buildings or more, at least 1.5 metres from common boundaries, and located either within garden bed or within a prepared bed within lawn,

iii) mass planting shall be installed at minimum 1 metre intervals for shrubs of a minimum 200mm container size at planting, and at 4 plants per metre square for groundcovers of a minimum 140mm



container size at planting, and shall be in a garden bed prepared with a suitable free draining soil mix and minimum 50mm depth of mulch.

Prior to the issue of an Occupation Certificate, details shall be submitted to the Principal Certifier, certifying that the landscape works have been completed in accordance with any conditions of consent.

Reason: Environmental amenity.

#### **Condition of Retained Vegetation**

Prior to the issue of an Occupation Certificate, a report prepared by an Arborist with minimum AQF Level 5 in arboriculture shall be submitted to the Principal Certifier, assessing the health and impact on all existing trees required to be retained as listed in the Arboricultural Impact Assessment, including the following information:

i) compliance to any Arborist recommendations for tree protection generally and during excavation works,

ii) extent of damage sustained by vegetation as a result of the construction works,

iii) any subsequent remedial works required to ensure the long term retention of the vegetation.

Reason: Tree and vegetation protection.

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

#### Landscape Maintenance

If any landscape materials/components or planting under this consent fails, they are to be replaced with similar materials/components. Trees, shrubs and groundcovers required to be planted under this consent are to be mulched, watered and fertilised as required at the time of planting. If any tree, shrub or groundcover required to be planted under this consent fails, they are to be replaced with similar species to maintain the landscape theme and be generally in accordance with the approved Landscape Plan and any conditions of consent.

The approved landscape area shall in perpetuity remain as planting under the development consent.

Reason: To maintain local environmental amenity.