

Traffic Engineer Referral Response

Application Number:	DA2022/2265
Proposed Development:	Demolition works, tree removal and construction of an industrial and warehouse facility with parking and strata subdivision.
Date:	19/02/2024
Responsible Officer	
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 21 DP 881819 , 323 - 327 Warringah Road FRENCHS FOREST NSW 2086

Officer comments

The proposed application is for the redevelopment of an existing commercial office and associated car parking to a two-storey industrial unit complex, comprising 36 warehouse lots and associated offices and car parking.

Parking

The parking rates provided have been assessed and are compliant with Council's DCP for warehouses/ distribution centres. The proposed warehouse area is 5998m² warehouse GFA and associated office area is 1,699m². The included office area is 20% of the development area ie 1,200m². The addition office area if 499m² attracts a parking requirement at the office rate.

The total required car parking spaces is 91 car spaces with 102 spaces being provided. The applicant also proposes to implement 3 accessible car spaces, 1 more than required by the Building Code of Australia Disability (Access to Premises – Buildings) Standards 2010 (1 accessible space per 100 car parking spaces). The parking space numbers are acceptable

48 bicycle parking spaces are also proposed. This is acceptable

Traffic Generation

Due to the soon-to-be built Bunnings development on the corner of Allambie Road and Rodborough Road, extensive traffic generation rates and analysis have been requested by Council.

In isolation from the approved Bunnings development, the proposed development is expected to generate 12 to 24 vehicle trips during the morning and evening peak hour, equating to 1 vehicle per 2-4 minutes.

the existing commercial use, based on 3,875m² GFA, yields a much higher traffic generation of 46 – 62 vehicles per peak hour (1.2 – 1.6 trips per 100m²). Therefore, the warehouse use should result in a reduced level of traffic movements to and from the site, a positive impact in terms of its impact on the surrounding road network.

When intersection analysis was carried out inclusive of the traffic generation from the Bunnings development, the results illustrate a potential significant issue at the intersection of Warringah Road

and Allambie Road with potential queuing delays. However, it is noted that the poor level of service is predicted to be same before and after the proposed development and as outlined above this development is not worsening the situation.

The proposal is not expected to have a significant impact on the local traffic network.

Vehicular Access

Existing vehicle access is via the private road off Rodborough Road. Access to the site has been designed to facilitate 8.8m long medium rigid vehicles (MRV). Loading docks and circulation ramps are designed to accommodate MRV vehicles. It is noted that the swept path plots provided by the applicant's Traffic Consultant have highlighted that on curved ramp sections two MRVs are unable to pass, given the degree of impact the passing of a B85 vehicle and a MRV on these curved ramp sections also appears unlikely to be achievable. The Traffic Consultant has suggested that traffic light control can address this issue. This will be conditioned.

The proposal is therefore supported.

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

Recommended Traffic Engineer Conditions:

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

Construction Traffic Management Plan

As a result of the site constraints, limited vehicle access and parking, a Construction Traffic Management Plan (CTMP) and report shall be prepared by a TfNSW accredited person and submitted to and approved by the Northern Beaches Council Traffic Team prior to issue of any Construction Certificate.

Due to heavy traffic congestion throughout the town centre, truck movements will be restricted during the major commuter peak times being 8.00-9.30am and 4.30-6.00pm. Truck movements must be agreed with Council's Traffic and Development Engineer prior to submission of the CTMP.

The CTMP must address following:

- The proposed phases of construction works on the site, and the expected duration of each construction phase
- The proposed order in which works on the site will be undertaken, and the method statements on how various stages of construction will be undertaken
- Make provision for all construction materials to be stored on site, at all times
- The proposed areas within the site to be used for the storage of excavated materials, construction materials and waste containers during the construction period
- The proposed method of access to and egress from the site for construction vehicles, including access routes and truck routes through the Council area and the location and type of temporary vehicular crossing for the purpose of minimising traffic congestion and noise in the area, with no access across public parks or reserves being allowed
- The proposed method of loading and unloading excavation and construction machinery, excavation and building materials, formwork and the erection of any part of the structure within

the site. Wherever possible mobile cranes should be located wholly within the site

- Make provision for parking onsite. All Staff and Contractors are to use the basement parking once available
- Temporary truck standing/ queuing locations in a public roadway/ domain in the vicinity of the site are not permitted unless approved by Council prior
- Include a Traffic Control Plan prepared by a person with suitable RMS accreditation for any activities involving the management of vehicle and pedestrian safety
- The proposed manner in which adjoining property owners will be kept advised of the timeframes for completion of each phase of development/construction process. It must also specify that a minimum Fourteen (14) days notification must be provided to adjoining property owners prior to the implementation of any temporary traffic control measure
- Include a site plan showing the location of any site sheds, location of requested Work Zones, anticipated use of cranes and concrete pumps, structures proposed on the footpath areas (hoardings, scaffolding or shoring) and any tree protection zones around Council street trees
- Take into consideration the combined construction activities of other development in the surrounding area. To this end, the consultant preparing the CTMP must engage and consult with developers undertaking major development works within a 250m radius of the subject site to ensure that appropriate measures are in place to prevent the combined impact of construction activities, such as (but not limited to) concrete pours, crane lifts and dump truck routes. These communications must be documented and submitted to Council prior to work commencing on site
- The proposed method/device to remove loose material from all vehicles and/or machinery before entering the road reserve, any run-off from the washing down of vehicles shall be directed to the sediment control system within the site
- Specify that the roadway (including footpath) must be kept in a serviceable condition for the duration of construction. At the direction of Council, undertake remedial treatments such as patching at no cost to Council
- The proposed method of support to any excavation adjacent to adjoining properties, or the road reserve. The proposed method of support is to be designed and certified by an appropriately qualified and practising Structural Engineer, or equivalent
- Proposed protection for Council and adjoining properties
- The location and operation of any on site crane

The CTMP shall be prepared in accordance with relevant sections of Australian Standard 1742 – “Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices”, RMS’ Manual – “Traffic Control at Work Sites”.

All fees and charges associated with the review of this plan is to be in accordance with Council’s Schedule of Fees and Charges and are to be paid at the time that the Construction Traffic Management Plan is submitted.

Reason: To ensure public safety and minimise any impacts to the adjoining pedestrian and vehicular traffic systems.

CONDITIONS THAT MUST BE ADDRESSED PRIOR TO ANY COMMENCEMENT

Work Zones and Permits

Prior to commencement of the associated works, the applicant shall obtain a Work Zone Permit where it is proposed to reserve an area of road pavement for the parking of vehicles associated with a construction site.

A separate application is required with a Traffic Management Plan for standing of construction vehicles

in a trafficable lane and a Roads and Maritime Services Work Zone Permit shall be obtained for State Roads.

Reason: To ensure Work zones are monitored and installed correctly.

Road Occupancy Licence

Prior to commencement of the associated works, the applicant shall obtain a Road Occupancy License from Transport Management Centre for any works that may impact on traffic flows at a signalised intersection or on a classified road.

Reason: Requirement of TMC for any works that impact on traffic flow.

Demolition Traffic Management Plan

As a result of the site constraints, limited vehicle access and parking, a Demolition Traffic Management Plan (DTMP) shall be prepared by an suitably accredited person and submitted to and approved by the Northern Beaches Council Traffic Team prior to commencing any demolition work.

Due to heavy traffic congestion throughout the area, truck movements will be restricted during the major commuter peak times being 8.00-9.30am and 4.30-6.00pm.

The DTMP must:-

- Make provision for all construction materials to be stored on site, at all times.
- The DTMP is to be adhered to at all times during the project.
- Specify construction truck routes and truck rates. Nominated truck routes are to be distributed over the surrounding road network where possible.
- Provide for the movement of trucks to and from the site, and deliveries to the site. Temporary truck standing/ queuing locations in a public roadway/ domain in the vicinity of the site is not permitted unless prior approval is granted by Council's Traffic Engineers.
- Include a Traffic Control Plan prepared by an TfNSW accredited traffic controller for any activities involving the management of vehicle and pedestrian traffic.
- Specify that a minimum fourteen (14) days notification must be provided to adjoining property owners prior to the implementation of any temporary traffic control measures.
- Include a site plan showing the location of any site sheds, location of requested Work Zones, anticipated use of cranes, structures proposed on the footpath areas (hoardings, scaffolding or temporary shoring) and extent of tree protection zones around Council street trees.
- Take into consideration the combined construction activities of other development in the surrounding area. To this end, the consultant preparing the DTMP must engage and consult with developers undertaking major development works within a 250m radius of the subject site to ensure that appropriate measures are in place to prevent the combined impact of construction activities. These communications must be documented and submitted to Council prior to work commencing on site.
- Specify spoil management process and facilities to be used on site.
- Specify that the roadway (including footpath) must be kept in a serviceable condition for the duration of demolition. At the direction of Council, the applicant is to undertake remedial treatments such as patching at no cost to Council.

The DTMP shall be prepared in accordance with relevant sections of Australian Standard 1742 – "Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices", RMS' Manual – "Traffic Control at Work Sites".

All fees and charges associated with the review of this plan is to be in accordance with Council's Schedule of Fees and Charges and are to be paid at the time that the Demolition Traffic Management

Plan is submitted.

Reason: This condition is to ensure public safety and minimise any impacts to the adjoining pedestrian and vehicular traffic systems. The DTMP is intended to minimise impact of construction activities on the surrounding community, in terms of vehicle traffic (including traffic flow and parking) and pedestrian amenity adjacent to the site.

CONDITIONS TO BE COMPLIED WITH DURING DEMOLITION AND BUILDING WORK

Implementation of Demolition Traffic Management Plan

All works and demolition activities are to be undertaken in accordance with the approved Demolition Traffic Management Plan (DTMP). All controls in the DTMP must be maintained at all times and all traffic management control must be undertaken by personnel having appropriate TfNSW accreditation. Should the implementation or effectiveness of the DTMP be impacted by surrounding major development not encompassed in the approved DTMP, the DTMP measures and controls are to be revised accordingly and submitted to Council for approval. A copy of the approved DTMP is to be kept onsite at all times and made available to the accredited certifier or Council on request.

Reason: To ensure compliance and Council's ability to modify the approved Construction Traffic Management Plan where it is deemed unsuitable during the course of the project.

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Reason: To ensure compliance of the developer/builder in adhering to the Construction Traffic Management procedures agreed and are held liable to the conditions of consent.

Ongoing Management

The applicant shall be responsible in ensuring that the road reserve remains in a serviceable state during the course of the demolition and building works.

Reason: To ensure public safety.

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

Basement Garage Traffic Signal System

To prevent conflicting vehicle flows on the internal carpark ramps and avoid vehicles having to reverse up/ down the ramp, a traffic signal system must be installed at each ramp entry, designed to warn drivers about to enter the ramp of any conflicting vehicle approaching.

The signal system must;

- be clearly visible from ramp entrances,
- is to clearly indicate to an approaching driver, by way of red light or wording, that an opposing vehicle has entered the ramp,

- Incorporate linemarking to delineate traffic flow and nominate waiting bay locations to allow vehicles to overtake another.

Details of the system, including the system operation, components and placement within the development, must be specified by a practising Traffic Engineer. This engineer is to submit a compliance certificate to the Principal Certifier that the system has been installed and operating as designed, in accordance with the requirements of this condition, prior to the issue of an Occupation Certificate issued for the development.

Reason: To ensure no vehicle conflicts within the carpark ramps.

Disabled Parking Spaces

Where disabled parking spaces are provided they must be in accordance with AS2890.6:2009.

Details demonstrating compliance are to be submitted to the Principal Certifier prior to the issue of any Occupation Certificate.

Reason: To ensure compliance with Australian Standards.

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

Sight lines within carparks

The required sight lines to pedestrians and other vehicles in and around the carpark and entrance(s) are not to be obstructed by landscaping or signage.

Reason: To maintain unobstructed sight distance for motorists.